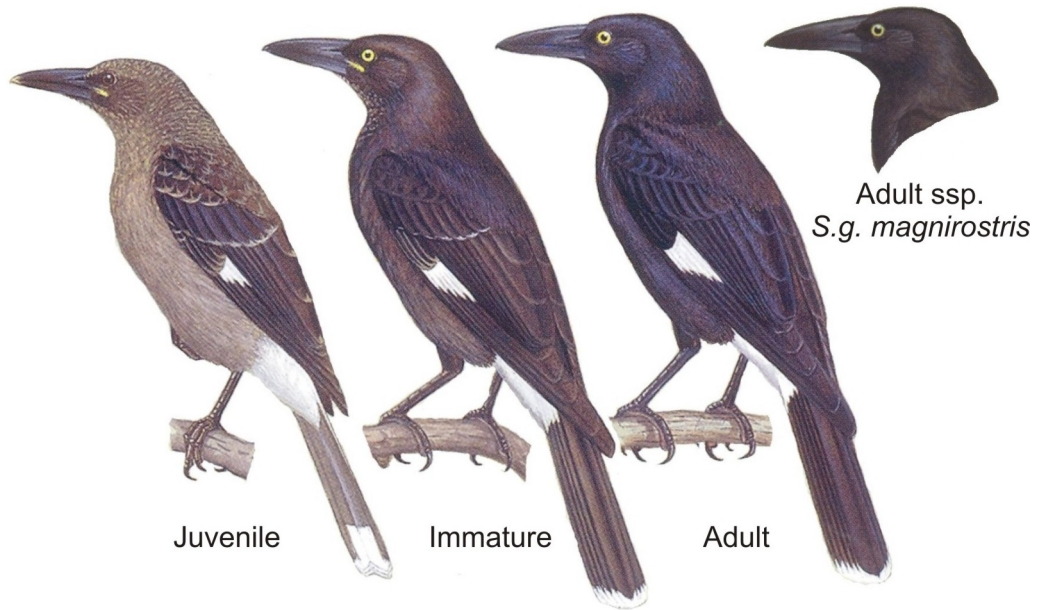


Pied Currawong *Strepera graculina*

Species No.: 694

Band size: 09 SS

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Morphometrics:

Six subspecies recognised: nominate *S.g. graculina* (Townsville, Qld to Sydney area, NSW); *S.g. nebulosa* (NSW s. of Hunter R., ACT & e. Vic); *S.g. ashbyi* w. Vic, vagrant to se. SA); *S.g. magnirostris* (Cape York Pen. Qld); *S.g. robinsoni* (uplands ne. Qld) and *S.g. crissalis* (Lord Howe Island – see separate sheet).

Measurements are provided below for *S.g. graculina* and *S.g. nebulosa*, but there are few data for other subspecies:

	<i>S.g. graculina</i>		<i>S.g. nebulosa</i>	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	248 - 281 mm	236 - 264 mm	257 - 290 mm	243 - 258 mm
Tail:	183 - 220 mm	180 - 203 mm	196 - 224 mm	182 - 208 mm
Bill:	59.6 - 70.4 mm	53.2 - 62.3 mm	56.1 - 62.8 mm	55.1 - 61.5 mm
Tarsus:	48.2 - 55.9 mm	47.9 - 52.8 mm	47.2 - 54.2 mm	46.0 - 52.5 mm
Weight:	255 - 410 g	270 - 340 g	255-410 g	270 - 340 g

Ageing:

The following ageing descriptions apply equally to all subspecies:

	Adult (2+)	Immature (1)	Juvenile (J)
Bill:	black;	black with horn colour to tip of lower mandible;	black with yellow tip, or blackish-brown with dull yellow tip;
Gape:	black, or dark grey;	yellow or light coloured;	yellow, yellow-orange, or light yellow;
Iris:	bright yellow;	changing from light brown through grey, whitish-grey, light yellow and finally yellow;	sepia, brown or olive-brown changing to light brown;
Head & neck:	mostly black with glossy bluish sheen in good light;	black, but not glossy;	brown with pale streaking and scalloping;
Upper wing:	all coverts & alula black-brown with glossy bluish-black or bluish-grey fringes;	dark brown and some retained juvenile feathers;	all coverts and alula dark brown with narrow dark grey outer edges;

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	Adult (2+)	Immature (1)	Juvenile (J)
White patch in folded wing	white bases to p5–p8 (& p4–p9 on some birds) combine to form elongated white patch distal to primary coverts – p6 24 – 48 mm & p7 30 – 35 mm)	immature retains juvenile primaries and alula, so white patch is same as juvenile;	white at bases of primaries less than adult and only visible on p6–p8 on folded wing;

Sexing :

No sexual dimorphism in plumage, but adult males average larger than adult females;
Incubation usually by female only;