

Brown-backed Honeyeater *Ramsayornis modestus* Species No.: 595 Band size: 02 AY



Morphometrics:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	62 – 68 mm	63 – 67 mm
Tail:	41 – 48 mm	41 – 43 mm
THL:	29.3 – 32.8 mm	
Bill:	16.0 – 17.5 mm	15.3 – 17.9 mm
Tarsus:	15.0 – 17.1 mm	15.3 – 17.5 mm
Weight:	11.0 – 14.0 g	8.5 – 11.0 g

Ageing:

	Adult (1+)	Juvenile
Bill:	dirty pink or pinkish-brown;	blackish-brown with dirty pink base to lower mandible;
Gape:	dirty pink or greyish;	yellow;
Iris:	red-brown, red, grey-brown or brown;	dark brown;
Forehead, crown & nape:	brown with dark brown mottling;	uniform grey-brown;
Ear coverts:	light brown or greyish-brown with off-white shafts that give finely striated effect;	mottled pale brown and off-white;
Breast:	off-white with brown barring or scalloping;	off-white with prominent diffuse brown streaking;
Belly:	white with cream tinge;	off-white with diffuse brown streaking;

Juveniles undergo a complete moult to immature plumage that is indistinguishable from adult plumage soon after fledging;
 Adult plumage is also acquired in the first year, so all birds that are not in juvenile plumage should be aged (1+).

Sexing:

Not sexually dimorphic on plumage or size;
 No information on the role of sexes in incubation.