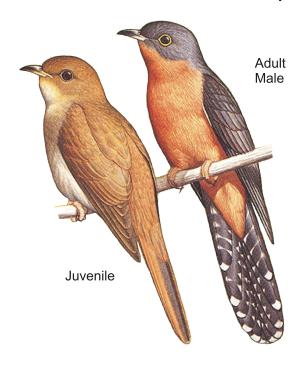
Chestnut-breasted Cuckoo Cacomantis castaneiventris Species No.: 340 Band size: 04



Morphometrics:

Adult Male Adult Female Wing: 104 – 114 mm 111 – 114 mm

Tail: 104 - 124 mm 114 (one specimen) Weight: 26 - 34 g 32 g (one specimen)

Ageing:

Adult (1+) Juvenile

Bill: grey-black to dark grey, some with black with brown tinge;

paler base;

Iris: dark brown; black-brown;

Overall plumage identifies juveniles from adults (see illustrations above).

Juveniles moult to adult-like plumage soon after fledging.

Some immatures are indistinguishable from adults, but some retain juvenile secondaries;

Moult to full adult plumage commences at about one year of age;

All birds should be aged (1+) unless they have traces of juvenile plumage.

Sexing:

The few specimens available does not present enough data to determine whether there is and size dimorphism or that there is consistent plumage differences between the sexes. However, the one female specimen examined had paler and duller rufous-brown underparts and throat than male specimens.