

**Fawn-breasted Bowerbird** *Chlamydera cerviniventris* Species No.: 682 Band size: 06 (07) IN



**Morphometrics:**

	Adult Male	Adult Female
THL:	58.7 – 62.9 mm	59.1 – 61.8 mm
Bill:	29.1 – 31.5 mm	27.8 – 31.8 mm
Wing:	141 – 151 mm	137 – 147 mm
Tail:	104 – 118 mm	110 – 116 mm
Tarsus:	39.8 – 42.9 mm	39.3 – 41.4 mm
Weight:	170 – 182 g	144 – 167 g

**Ageing:**

	Adult (2+)	First Immature (1)
Bill:	black;	brown-black with dark brown lower mandible;
Iris:	dark brown;	mid-brown;
Crown, nape & hindneck;	grey-brown of light brownish-grey with short cream or off-white streaks;	grey-brown boldly spotted with buff;
Upperparts:	brown or dark brown with pale buff or cream spotting;	brown with bold buff spotting;
Throat & upper breast:	pale buff with prominent brown streaking;	rich orange-buff with bold dark brown streaking;
Lower breast & belly;	pale orange-buff;	rich orange-buff with scattered brown flecking;
Primaries & secondaries:	dark brown with concealed cream inner edges;	brown with faint buff wash

A post-juvenile moult results in a first immature plumage with all juvenile remiges and rectrices retained;  
 Probably attain adult plumage in complete first immature post-breeding moult, at about one year of age; Thus adult plumaged birds should only be aged (2+);  
 It is not known at what age females breed;  
 It is not known at what age males build and maintain a bower in which to successfully display and attract females. However, as display and bower construction are learned skills, from studies of other bowerbirds, it is probable that males do not acquire sufficient display and construction skills until they are four to six years old and therefore do not breed until at least (4+).

**Sexing:**

No sexual dimorphism in plumage, but adult males average slightly larger than adult females;  
 Female alone incubates.