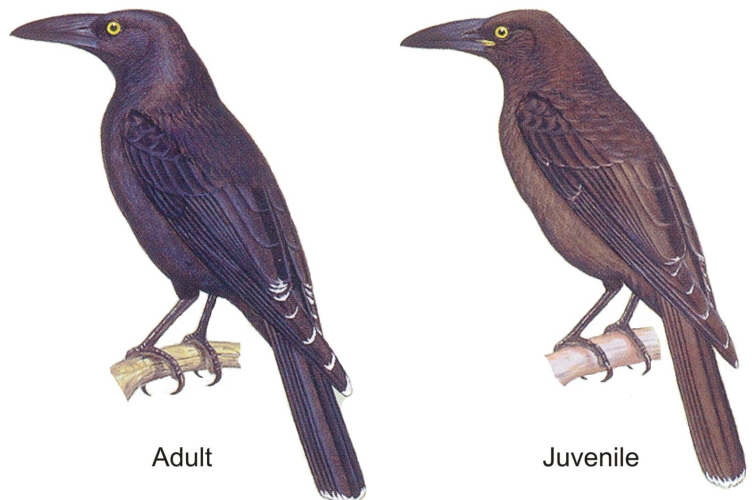


**Black Currawong** *Strepera fuliginosa*      **Species No.: 696**      **Band size: 09 SS**



Adult

Juvenile

**Morphometrics:**

Three subspecies: nominate *S.f. fuliginosa* (Tasmania mainland); ssp. *S.f. colei* (King Island) and ssp. *S.f. parvior* (Flinders Island). Measurements for the nominate are given below:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	254 – 282 mm	250 – 265 mm
Tail:	179 – 204 mm	177 – 195 mm
Bill:	67.0 – 73.9 mm	61.1 – 69.7 mm
THL:	96.6 – 110.3 mm	
Tarsus:	54.7 – 64.5 mm	54.6 – 61.6 mm
Weight:	365 – 457 g	327 – 353 g

**Ageing:**

	Adult (2+)	Immature (2-) or (1)	Juvenile
Bill:	black;	black;	bluish-grey with greyish-black distal half;
Gape:	black;	yellow;	pale yellow;
Iris:	yellow, red-orange, orange-yellow or orange;	orange-yellow, lemon-yellow or mid-yellow;	dull straw yellow;

Overall plumage appearance of juveniles is greyish-black to brownish-black; A post juvenile moult is completed within a few months of fledging. This results in an immature plumage that includes many adult-like blackish feathers, but also retain juvenile greater secondary coverts with off-white rosethorn-shaped tips, rectrices, alula and primaries, all of which have more pointed tips than those of adults; Complete moult to adult plumage commences early in the second year coinciding with adult post-breeding moult. Thus adults are aged (2+).

**Sexing:**

No difference in plumage, but males are larger than females and weight in particular may be a useful sexing criterion; No information on incubation.