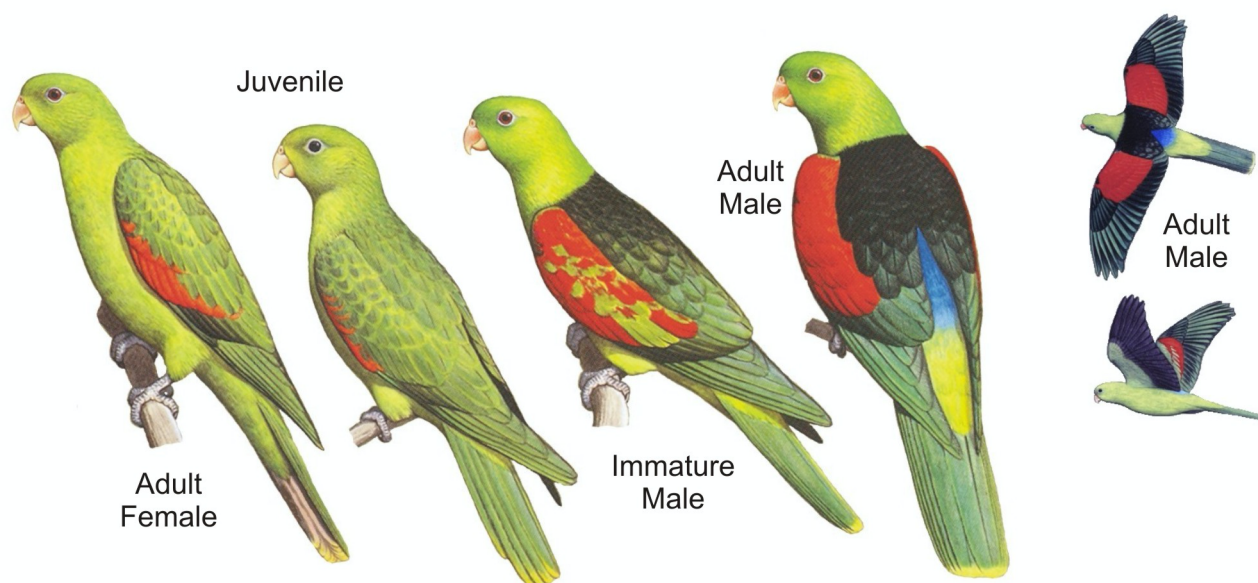


Red-winged Parrot *Aprosmictus erythropterus* Species No.: 280 Band size: 24 SS



Morphometrics:

Two subspecies recognised as follows:

	Nominate <i>A.e. erythropterus</i> (e. Aust s.of Cape York)		ssp. <i>A.e. coccineopterus</i> (northern Aust.)	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	193 – 210 mm	195 – 207 mm	182 – 197 mm	180 – 196 mm
Tail:	137 – 155 mm	156 – 166 mm	126 – 153 mm	136 – 147 mm
Bill:	16.9 – 20.6 mm	17.0 – 18.6 mm	16.3 – 21.2 mm	16.6 – 19.2 mm
Weight:	121 – 210 g	143 – 178 g	120 – 157 g	112 – 164 g

Ageing:

There is no significant difference in the plumage of the two subspecies:

	Adult (3+)	Adult Female (2+)	Juvenile/immature
Bill:	upper mandible - dull orange-red with paler tip;	dull orange-red with brown tinge;	dull orange-buff;
Iris:	crimson-red;	orange or dark brown;	black-brown
Wing coverts:	variable amount of red for age and sex – see illustrations.		

Undergo a partial post-juvenile moult commencing a few months after fledging, but resultant adult female-like immature retains juvenile remiges and rectrices that are pointed, whereas they are rounded in adults.

Immatures commence a moult to second immature plumage from about one year old (2) and the resultant plumage of females is probably indistinguishable from adult females. However, the second immature male (2) has a splattering of red adult male plumage on the wings and black back;

Full adult plumage is acquired in a moult in the third Summer when the bird is starting its third year; Thus adults are aged (2+) for females and males are (3+).

Sexing:

Adults are plumage dimorphic (see illustrations);
Female alone incubates.