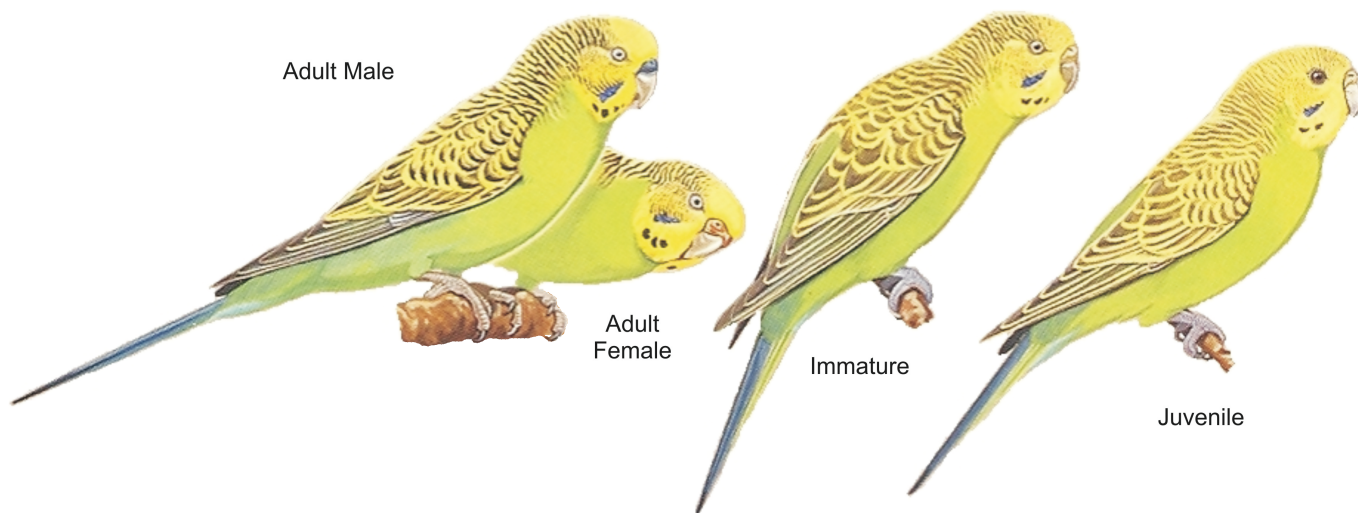


Budgerigar *Melanopsittacus undulatus* Species No.: 310 Band size: 04 Incoloy



Morphometrics:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	92 -192 mm	92 – 99 mm
Tail:	87 – 112 mm	85 – 98 mm
Weight:	19 – 30 g	12 – 40 g

Ageing:

	Adult (1+)	Juvenile/immature
Bill:	light brown-grey or yellow-brown;	upper mandible variable pink-brown, pale green, or dark brown and lower mandible;
Cere:	male - dark blue; female - varies in colour from pink-brown when breeding to light blue when not breeding;	purplish-white;
Iris:	white, yellow-white or cream;	grey-black;
Forehead:	pale yellow, unbarred;	juvenile (J) – straw yellow, fully barred; Immature (1) – straw yellow, mottled;
Cheeks:	three dark violet spots;	irregular violet blotches;

Post-juvenile moult to adult-like immature plumage commences about 7 weeks after fledging and then moult to adult plumage when 3 – 4 months old.

Sexing:

Adult are similar in plumage but sexes differ in cere colour as described above;
Incubation by female alone.