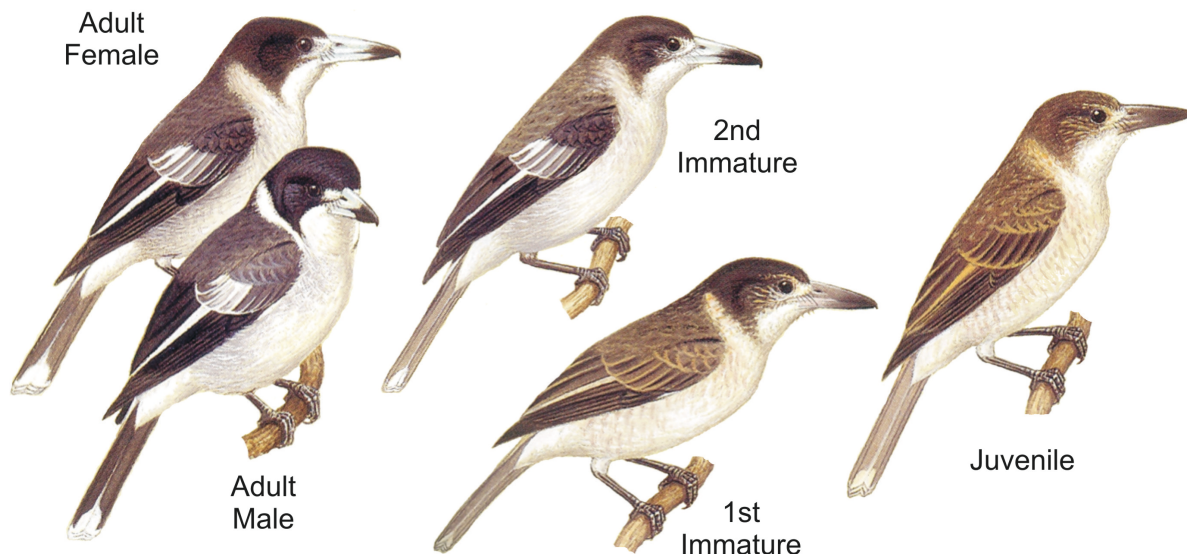


**Grey Butcherbird** *Cracticus torquatus*

**Species No.: 702 Band size: 06**



**Morphometrics:**

	<b>Adult Male</b>	<b>Adult Female</b>
Wing:	139 -153 mm	131 – 142 mm
Tail:	101 – 132 mm	104 – 113 mm
Weight:	73 – 119 g	72 – 87 g

**Ageing:**

	<b>Adult (3+)</b>	<b>2nd Immature (2)</b>	<b>1st Immature (1)</b>	<b>Juvenile (J)</b>
<b>Bill:</b>	black distal 1/3 to half, rest blue-grey;	black distal ½, basal half changing from light brown to grey;	black distal half & basal half light brown;	dark brown;
<b>Gape:</b>	bluish-grey;	grey;	pale pinkish in birds <6 months old, to pink-grey;	cream;
<b>Crown:</b>	black;	dark sooty-grey;	dark olive-brown with narrow buff streaks;	dark brown with faint faint streaking
<b>Ear coverts:</b>	black;	dark sooty-grey with some white streaks;	dark brown with buff streaks;	dark brown with buff streaks;
<b>Nape &amp; sides of neck:</b>	nape black, sides of neck white;	no streaking on nape, sides of neck mottled black & white;	dark brown with buff streaks heaviest at sides of neck - merging with light buff and dark brown mottling;	dark brown with buff streaks – streaks most pronounced at sides of neck, merging with light buff and dark brown mottling;
<b>Back:</b>	grey with narrow black centre shafts to feathers;	dark olive-grey, with darker centres to feathers;	olive-brown – centre of feathers darker;	dark brown with narrow buff streaks in centre of feathers;
<b>Underparts:</b>	white, sometimes faint grey barring or mottling;	dirty white with faint greyish mottling & barring on breast;	light buff-olive with grey mottling giving barred appearance;	off-white, mottled with buff and dark brown;
<b>Wing:</b>	grey-brown and white edges to coverts & secondaries;	dark grey-brown with white edged coverts secondaries;	dark brown with buff edging to coverts & secondaries;	dark brown with rufous to buff edges to coverts & secondaries;

**Sexing :**

Males larger than females and adult females may be duller than adult males, but not always;  
 All adult females have the white of the lores extend under the front half of the eye, as in immatures – absent in adult males;  
 Both sexes, including some immature “helpers”, incubate.