Wompoo Fruit-Dove Ptilinopus magnificus

Species No.: 25





Nominate P.m. magnificus (e .Aust. S. of Rockhampton, Qld)

(Cape York, Qld.)

Morphometrics:

The plumage of the three subspecies that occur in Australia is very similar, but there is a considerable size difference as follows:

	nominate <i>P.m</i>	nominate <i>P.m. magnificus</i>	
	(south of Rockh	(south of Rockhampton, Qld)	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	
Wing:	226 – 240 mm	222 – 234 mm	
Tail:	177 – 198 mm	174 – 198 mm	
Weight:	432 – 538 g	360 – 504 g	

	P.m. keri		P.m. assimilus	
	(Townsville to Cooktown)		(Cape York s. to McIlwraith Ra.)	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	190 – 217 mm	195 – 207 mm	180 – 191 mm	178 – 188 mm
Tail:	156 – 180 mm	159 – 179 mm	145 – 155 mm	141 – 149 mm
Weight:	299 – 390 g (th	ree specimens)	(220 g (one	e specimen)

Ageing:

-	Adult (1+)	Juvenile
Bill:	orange-red with dull greenish-yellow tip;	dull yellow with orange-grey base;
Iris:	dark red;	dull orange-yellow;
Legs & feet:	greenish-yellow;	pale green;
Head & neck:	blue-grey with green tinge on nape and hindneck;	grey with green tinge;
Breast:	dark purple;	grey with green tips to feathers, changing to purple soon after fledging;
Upper wing:	olive-green with yellow wing bar;	wing bar iis off-white to cream.

Begin post-juvenile moult to a dull/paler adult-like plumage on leaving the nest.; Not known when full adult plumage is achieved. Thus adults should be aged (1+).

Sexing:

Plumage of both sexes is similar, but males average larger than females; Both sexes incubate.