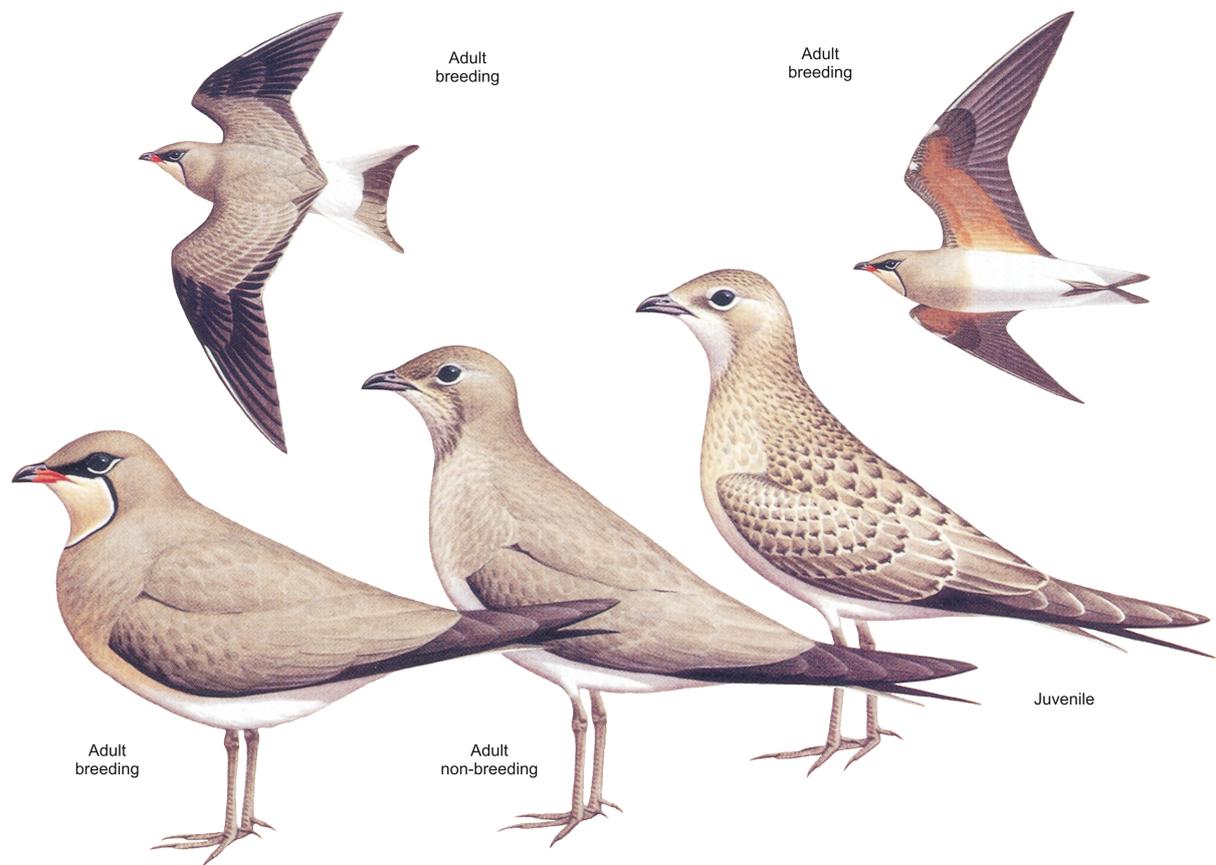


Oriental Pratincole *Glareola maldivarum*

Species No.: 172 **Band size: 05 IN**



Morphometrics:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	175 – 195 mm	174 – 195 mm
Tail:	74 – 84 mm	72 – 83 mm
Weight:	65 – 90 g	65 – 85 g

Ageing:

Oriental Pratincoles are a non-breeding migrant to Australia from November to May where they are widely dispersed, but mostly in northern Australia;

Young birds arrive in Australia with post-juvenile moult well advanced and complete this moult to non-breeding immature plumage, commence a partial pre-breeding moult to immature breeding plumage before leaving Australia.

Adults arrive in Australia undergoing a complete post-breeding moult to non-breeding plumage and then commence a partial moult to breeding plumage before departing Australia for their breeding grounds in South-east Asia and the Indian sub-continent. See illustrations.

Sexing:

Sexes are similar in size and plumage in both breeding and non-breeding plumage.