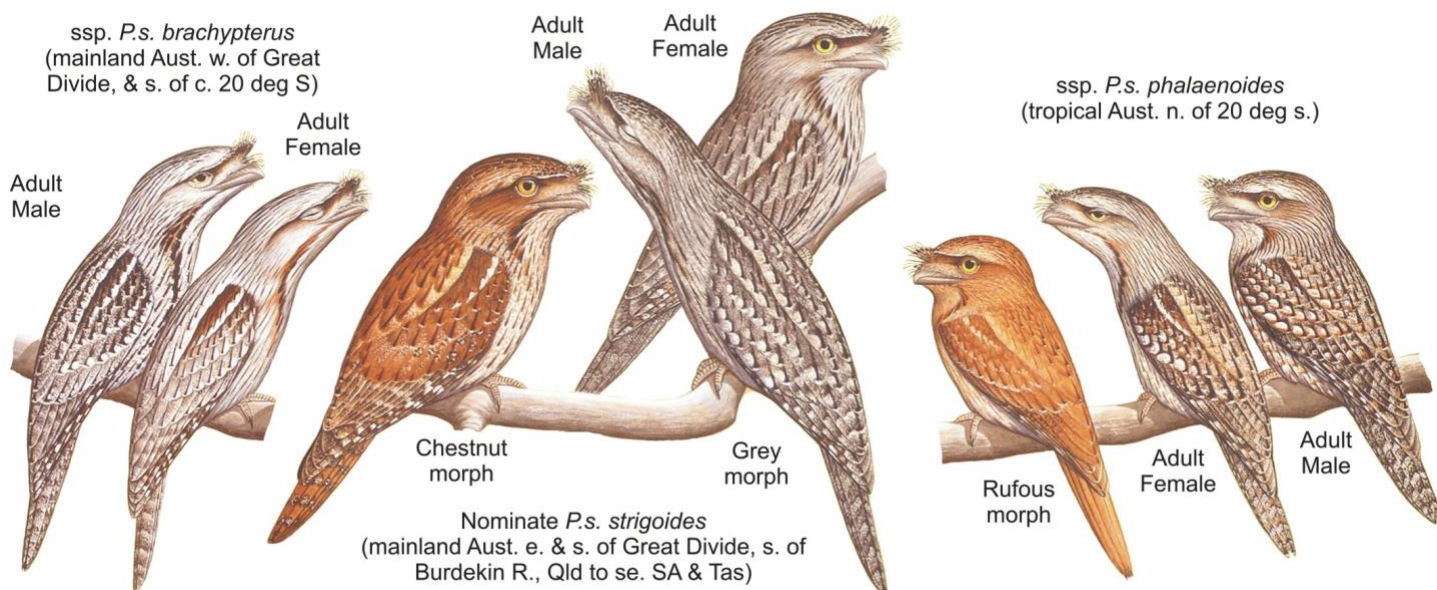


**Tawny Frogmouth *Podargus strigoides* Species No.: 313 Band size: 10 (9) SS AM**



**Morphometrics:**

	Nominat <i>P.s. strigoides</i>		ssp. <i>P.s. brachypterus</i>	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	250 – 295 mm	220 – 280 mm	214 – 289 mm	209 – 260 mm
Tail:	183 – 229 mm	167 – 225 mm	160 – 222 mm	165 – 212 mm
Bill:	30.5 – 50.0 mm	29.0 – 47.2 mm	34.0 – 46.9 mm	32.3 – 43.5 mm
Bill WG*:	44.1 – 59.6 mm	43.2 – 53.8 mm	46.6 – 56.1 mm	40.5 – 51.8 mm
Tarsus:	26.6 – 33.6 mm	23.2 – 32.7 mm	26.6 – 33.6 mm	23.7 – 31.6 mm
Weight:	178 – 520 g	157 – 555 g	205 – 416 g	185 – 327 g

\*Bill width at gape

	ssp. <i>P.s. phalaenoides</i>	
	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	205 – 248 mm	195 – 250 mm
Tail:	156 – 193 mm	148 – 191 mm
Bill:	30.6 – 46.1 mm	28.5 – 41.2 mm
Bill WG*:	46.1 – 54.1 mm	40.6 – 48.6 mm
Tarsus:	21.9 – 29.8 mm	22.5 – 29.2 mm
Weight:	123 – 283 g	

**Ageing:**

Juveniles have fluffy contour feathers and subdued patterning but start to moult to adult-like plumage almost immediately after fledging.

Immatures can be identified in the hand by the retention of clinging down on tips of retained juvenile rectrices until the first complete moult at about one year of age;

Age of first breeding is not known, but is certainly older than the first year, so adults can be aged (2+).

**Sexing:**

Males may be slightly larger than females, but there is a huge overlap in recorded measurements; There are either pronounced, or subtle differences, in plumage between the sexes of all subspecies:

- males always have the ground-colour of a grey-morph;
- all rufous and chestnut-morph birds are female;

In the grey-morph females are usually easily distinguished by chestnut-brown, irregular and usually incomplete malar stripe extending to side of neck and across foreneck to encircle a plainer throat and also a strong chestnut ground-colour to lesser upperwing coverts, contrasting with scapulars; Both sexes incubate.