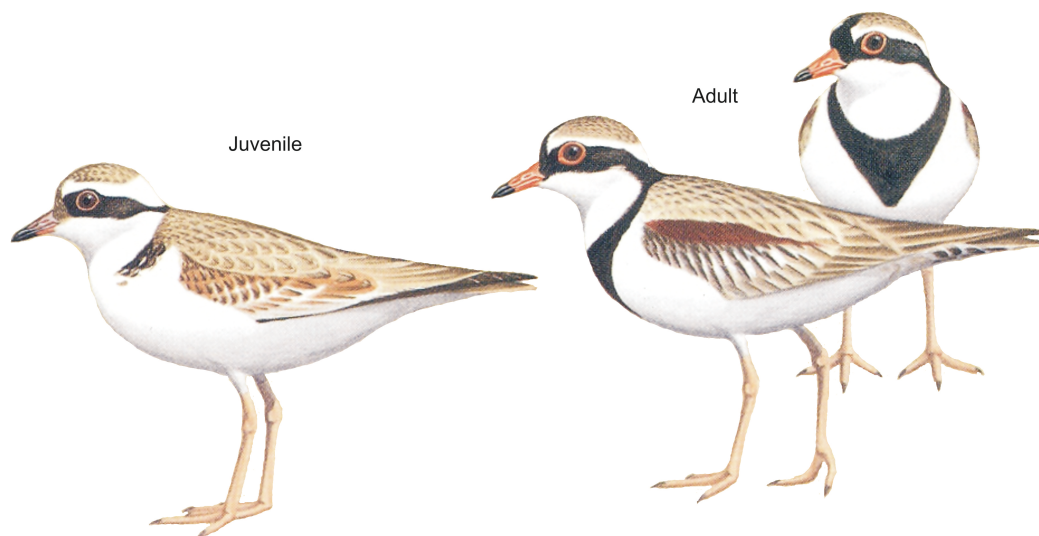


Black-fronted Dotterel *Elsayornis melanops* Species No.: 144 Band size: 03 IN



Morphometrics:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	105 – 119 mm	105 – 117 mm
Tail:	51 – 57 mm	49 – 57 mm
Weight:	30.3 – 34.0 g	

Ageing:

	Adult (2+)	Juvenile/Immature
Bill:	red with black distal third;	black in juvenile to dull red with black distal half in immature;
Iris:	black-brown;	black;
Frons:	black;	brown;
Crown:	brown with dark brown shafts;	dark brown with buff fringes;
Eye stripe:	black;	dark brown;
Breast band:	black;	absent in juvenile and not fully developed in immature;
Secondary coverts:	dark brown;	brown basally with buff tips;

Partial post-juvenile moult commences soon after fledging. Immatures retain juvenile remiges and rectrices.

Full adult plumage attained at about one year of age. Thus age adults (2+).

Sexing:

Both sexes incubate

Sexes are similar in size and plumage;