

**Copper-backed Quail-thrush** *Cinclosoma clarum* Species No.: 437 Band size: 05 AY  
(A species code has not yet been allocated to this species – use 437, the code for Chestnut Quail-thrush)



**Status:**

Formerly regarded as a subspecies of the Chestnut Quail-thrush *Cinclosoma castanotus*, but elevated to species level in 2018 following genetic investigations.

**Morphometrics:**

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	96 – 108 mm	92 – 101 mm
Tail:	87 – 116 mm	89 – 106 mm
Bill:	19.9 – 23.8 mm	17.2 – 23.4 mm
Tarsus:	27.3 – 33.0 mm	26.5 – 31.4 mm
Weight:	67.5 – 84 g	63 – 82,5 g

**Ageing:**

The illustrations above amply illustrate plumage differences between adults and juveniles; Immature females are almost indistinguishable from adults; Immature males appear to have some plumage features of both adult sexes; Immatures appear to retain juvenile remiges, rectrices, greater coverts and alula; Synchronous growth bars in wing and tail are obvious indicators of retained juvenile feathers; Adult plumage is thought to be attained early in their second year coinciding with adult post-breeding moult. Thus age adults (2+)

**Sexing :**

Adults differ in plumage and size with males larger than females;  
First Immatures differ in plumage, but insufficient data for size comparison;  
Juveniles are not plumage dimorphic.  
Usually female alone incubates.