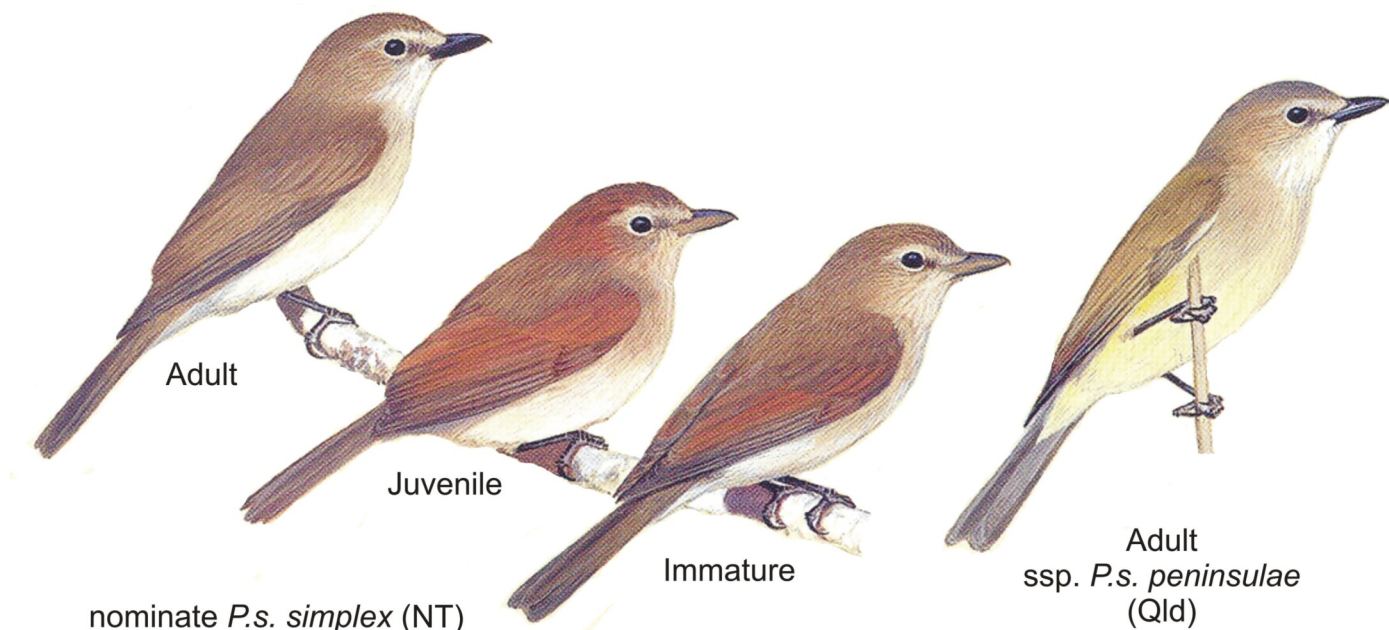


Grey Whistler *Pachycephala simplex* **Species No.: 406** **Band size: 02 AY**



Morphometrics:

Two subspecies occur in Australia and their morphometrics are as follows:

	Nominate <i>P.s. simplex</i> (coastal NT & Tiwi Islands)		<i>ssp. P.s. peninsulae</i> (Cape York & e. coast Qld s. to Halifax Bay)	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Bill:	15.4 – 17.3 mm	15.2 – 17.5 mm	14.0 – 16.7 mm	15.2 – 17.5 mm
Wing:	73 – 78 mm	69 – 77 mm	74 – 82 mm	73 – 79 mm
Tail:	51 – 59 mm	52 – 59 mm	55 – 63 mm	64 – 60 mm
Tarsus:	18.2 – 20.1 mm	18.6 – 20.2 mm	17.7 – 19.5 mm	17.7 – 19.7 mm
Weight:	16.5 – 20.5 g	16.0 – 20.0 g	13.0 – 18.5 mm	13.5 – 20.5 mm

Ageing:

	Adult (2+)	Immature	Juvenile
Bill:	black;	grey-grown or pale grey -brown with grey base to lower mandible;	grey-brown or grey-brown with paler edges;
Iris:	brown, dark brown or brownish-red;	as adult;	dark chestnut or mid-brown;

Juveniles are readily distinguished by the prominence of rufous, particularly in wings & upperparts; Immatures – retain rufous edges to wing coverts and outer edges of secondaries into their second year – so age them either (1) or (2-) depending on time of year related to breeding season; Probably attain adult plumage in early in second year coinciding with post-breeding moult; Adults should thus be aged (2+).

Sexing :

Adults are not sexually dimorphic on plumage or size;
No information on incubation.