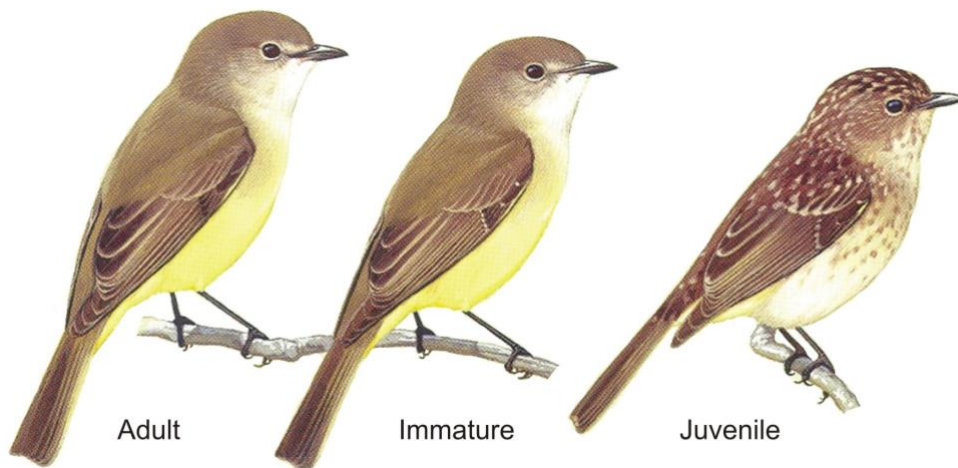


Lemon-bellied Flycatcher *Microeca flavigaster* **Species No.: 379** **Band size: 01 AY**
 (a.k.a. **Lemon-bellied Flyrobin**)



Morphometrics:

Three subspecies in Australia with morphometrics and range as below. Intergrades occur between subspecies.

nominate *M.f. flavigaster*
 (top end WA & NT)

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	69 – 77 mm	68 – 73 mm
Tail:	49 – 56 mm	47 – 56 mm
Bill:	11.2 – 14.0 mm	12.2 – 13.8 mm
Tarsus:	13.4 – 14.6 mm	12.9 – 15.0 mm
Weight:	9.3 – 12.5 g	8 -13.0 g

ssp. M.f. flavissima
 (Cape York s. to Cooktown)

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	72 – 80 mm	72 – 77 mm
Tail:	47 – 54 mm	45 -52 mm
Bill:	11.6 – 14.0	12.0 -13.5 mm
Tarsus:	12.7 – 15.1 mm	11.8 – 13.9 mm
Weight:	11.5 – 14.0 g	10.0 – 14.0 g

ssp. M.f. laetissima
 (n-e & mid-coastal Qld s. of Cairns)

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	77 – 82 mm	76 -79 mm
Tail:	50 – 55 mm	49 – 55 mm
Bill:	12.3 – 14.5 mm	12.5 – 14.8 mm
Tarsus:	13.1 – 14.6 mm	13.4 – 14.3 mm
Weight:	11.0 – 14.5 g	12.0 – 15.0 g

Ageing:

	Adult (1+)	Juvenile
Bill:	mostly grey-black with paler brown to dull pink suffusion to base of lower mandible;	dark brown;
Iris:	black-brown;	dark brown;

Immatures retain juvenile greater primary coverts and outer secondary coverts, alula, remiges and rectrices;

Immature moult to adult plumage occurs at the end of the first year or early in the second year.

Thus adults should be aged (2+) and immatures either (2-) or (1) depending on timing and wear condition of remiges and rectrices.

Sexing :

There is no sexual dimorphism in size or plumage;
 Not known whether both sexes incubate.