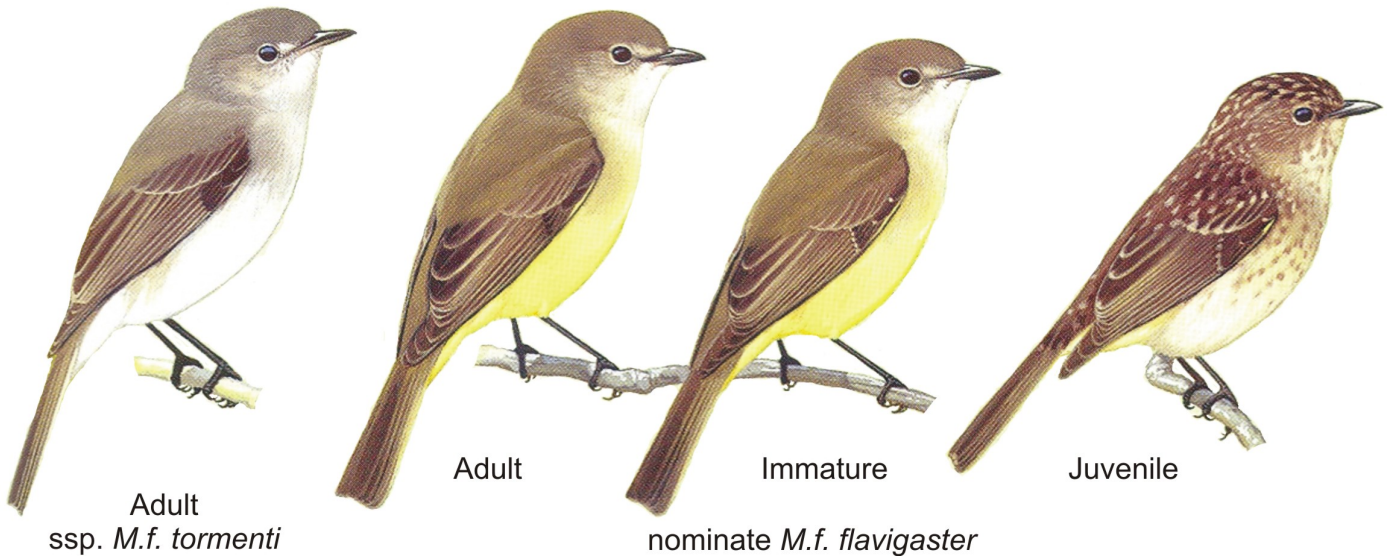


Lemon-bellied Flycatcher *Microeca flavigaster* **Species No.: 379** **Band size: 01 AY**
 (a.k.a. Lemon-bellied Flyrobin)



Morphometrics:

Four subspecies in Australia with morphometrics as below. Intergrades occur between subspecies.

	nominate <i>M.f. flavigaster</i> (top end WA & NT)		<i>ssp. M.f. tormenti</i> (coastal n.w. WA)	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	69 – 77 mm	68 – 73 mm	73 -81 mm	69 – 75 mm
Tail:	49 – 56 mm	47 – 56 mm	52 – 58 mm	49 – 56 mm
Weight:	9.3 – 12.5 g	8 -13.0 g	11.0 – 14.0 g	10.0 – 11.3 g

	<i>ssp. M.f. flavissima</i> (Cape York s. to Cooktown)		<i>ssp. M.f. laetissima</i> (n-e & mid-coastal Qld s. of Cairns)	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	72 – 80 mm	72 – 77 mm	77 – 82 mm	76 -79 mm
Tail:	47 – 54 mm	45 -52 mm	50 – 55 mm	49 – 55 mm
Weight:	11.5 – 14.0 g	10.0 – 14.0 g	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.