

Western Ground Parrot *Pezoporus flaviventris* Species No.: 311 Band size: 23

A species code has not yet been allocated to this species – use 311, the old code for the Ground Parrot



Status:

The Western Ground Parrot was formerly regarded as a subspecies of the Ground Parrot of eastern Australia, but in 2010 was elevated to species status on the basis of molecular DNA evidence. A separate profile sheet covers the Eastern Ground Parrot

Morphometrics:

	Adult Male (n=3)	Adult Female (n=2)
Wing:	134, 136 & 141 mm	121 & 130 mm
Tail:	165, 175 & 181 mm	149 & 179 mm
Bill:	14.0, 14.8 & 15.4 mm	12.2 & 13.4 mm
Tarsus:	25.7, 26.4 & 27.8 mm	27.0 – 28.5 mm
Weight:	No information	

Ageing:

The bare parts and plumage descriptions for the Eastern Ground Parrot may apply to this species, but are not repeated here because they have not been confirmed;
There is little published plumage or bare parts information on the Western Ground Parrot apart from statements that it is similar in plumage to the Eastern Ground Parrot, except that it has far more yellow plumage on its underparts;
The fledgling is said to be a neutral grey-brown in colour in the head, wing coverts and across the back, which is thought to be a camouflage adaptation its semi-arid habitat, whereas the eastern ground parrot has bright green (adult) plumage in these areas which blends in with its dense scrubland habitat;

Sexing:

There is no sexual dimorphism size and according to HANZAB there are no sexual differences in plumage, but some claim that the adult female has more prominent dark shaft streaks on cheeks, ear coverts and throat, than the male;
Incubation by female only.