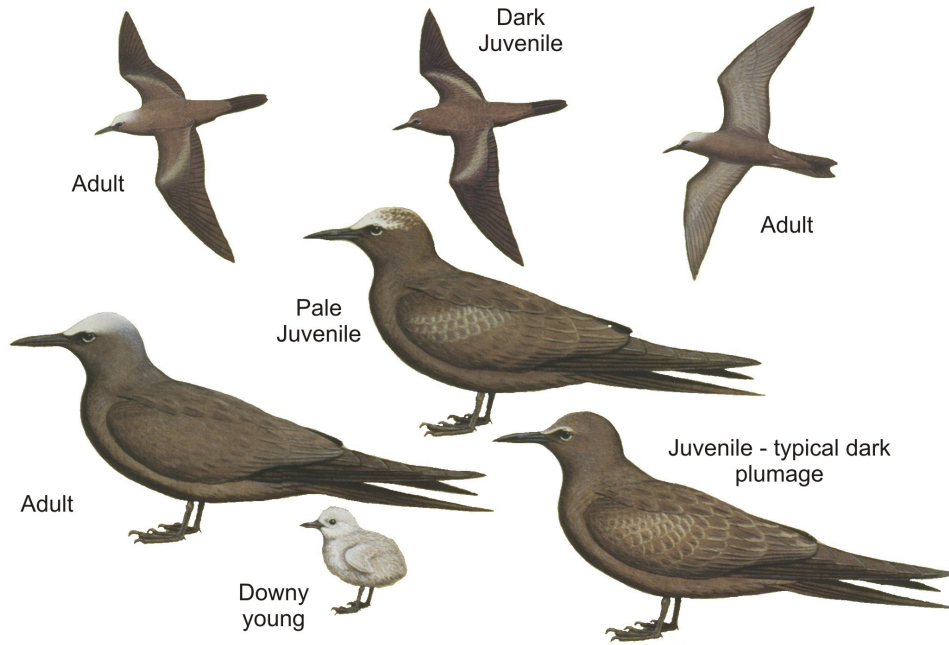


Brown Noddy *Anous stolidus* **Species No.: 122** **Band size: 06 AY**



Status:

Renamed from Common Noddy in the 2019 BirdLife Australia Working List v3.

Morphometrics:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	280 – 290 mm	270 – 283 mm
Tail:	150 – 167 mm	147 – 158 mm
Bill Length:	39.5 – 41.9 mm	33.8 – 41.6 mm
Bill Depth at nostril:	8.8 – 10.2 mm	8.2 – 9.4 mm
Bill depth at gonyes:	8.2 – 8.8 mm	7.0 – 8.1 mm
Tarsus:	25.0 – 26.7 mm	24.9 – 26.6 mm
Weight:	172 – 225 g	164 – 188 g

Ageing:

Timing of moults is dependent on timing of breeding;
 Post-natal moult to Juvenile (J) completed at about 42 days after hatching;
 Immature plumages are poorly understood, but head pattern of Immatures is like that of juvenile and rest of plumage similar to adult;
 Age when adult plumage is first attained, or of first breeding is not known, but breeding could not occur within the first year, so age adults and breeding birds as (2+).

Sexing:

No sexual dimorphism in plumage, but males slightly larger with thicker bill depth and larger gonyes than females;
 Both sexes incubate.

Similar species:

Larger more solid body much deeper and shorter bill than Black Noddy *A. minutus* – some comparative measurements for adults are:

	Brown Noddy	Black Noddy
Wing:	> 270 mm	< 233 mm
Tail:	> 147 mm	< 125 mm
Weight:	> 164 g	< 104 g