

TABLE 1
Shape of Primary in *Ptilinopus* Fruit-Doves

Emarginated	Tapered	Intermediate
<i>P. alligator</i> (A)	<i>P. perlata</i> (A)	<i>P. iozonus</i> (A)
<i>P. porphyrea</i> (A)	<i>P. ornatus</i> (A)	<i>P. insolitus</i> (A)
<i>P. jambu</i>	<i>P. tennensis</i> (A)	
<i>P. perousii</i>	<i>P. aurantifrons</i> (A)	
<i>P. porphyraceus</i>	<i>P. wallacei</i> (A)	
<i>P. pelewensis</i> (A)	<i>P. rivoli</i>	
<i>P. richardsii</i>	<i>P. solomonensis</i>	
<i>P. purpuratus</i> (A)	<i>P. viridis</i> (A)	
<i>P. greyii</i> (A)	<i>P. eugeniae</i> (A)	
<i>P. coronulatus</i>	<i>P. melanospilus</i>	
<i>P. pulchellus</i> (A)	<i>P. victor</i>	
<i>P. monacha</i> (A)	<i>P. luteovirens</i>	
	<i>P. layardi</i> (A)	

(A) — Adults only examined.

Others both adults and immatures examined.

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Breeding Seabirds of Eddystone Rock, Tasmania

Eddystone Rock is a sheer-sided, flat-topped spire 39 metres high, situated 2.4 km east-north-east of Pedra Branca off the south coast of Tasmania at 43°51' S., 147°02' E.

Partly-submerged reefs around the rock make an approach by boat impossible in all but the calmest weather, a rare occurrence in those parts.

It is doubtful if the rock can be climbed without the aid of ropes and there are no records of anyone landing on it. The following observations were made while standing off some 100 m on 7 October 1978.

Apart from the flat top, which has an area estimated to be 10 m² there are several small ledges to about half way down the sides. Forty-six Australasian Gannets *Morus serrator* were counted on the summit and these ledges. A

number of the birds were sitting on nests, but it was not possible to determine how many were actually incubating eggs. However, on the same day, about 100 gannets were incubating eggs on Pedra Branca (Brothers 1979 *Corella* 3:58-60). One Black-faced Shag *Leucocarbo fuscescens* flew from a nest situated on one of the side ledges.

On 17 April 1947, S. Fowler (*Proc. Roy. zool. Soc. N.S.W.* 47: 22-26), while carrying out an aerial survey of the area, "observed about 20 gannets (apparently all adults) and about 30 white-breasted cormorants on the tower-like Eddystone Rock". He was unable to say whether the rock was used for breeding.

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