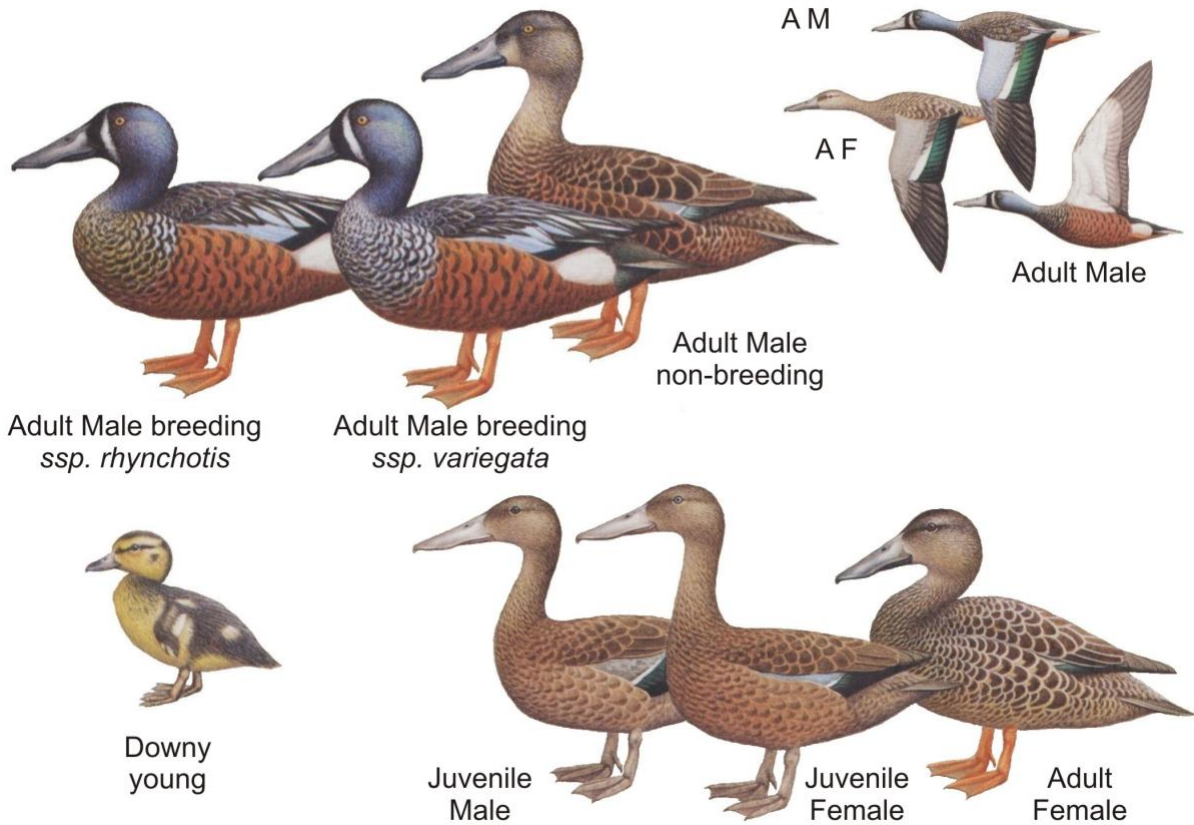


Australasian Shoveler *Anas rhynchos variegata*

Species Code.: 253

Band: Z



Morphometrics:

Two subspecies *A.r. rhynchos* in Australia and *A.r. variegata* in NZ (measurements below):

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	230 – 258 mm	214 – 241 mm
8 th Primary:	157 – 164 mm	148 – 169 mm
Tail:	78 – 92 mm	73.3 – 87 mm
Bill:	56.0 – 67.3 mm	52.7 – 60.5 mm
Tarsus:	31.2 – 39.0 mm	34.0 – 37.3 mm
Weight:	540 – 750 g	530 – 708 g

Ageing:

See illustrations above for plumage variation between Juveniles (J) and adults; Adult plumage is attained and birds can breed in their first year; Although adults annually phase between breeding and non-breeding plumages, it is not possible to age unknown-aged birds (recaptures) beyond age (1+).

Sexing:

Juvenile and adult birds can be sexed on plumage characters illustrated above; Only the female incubates.