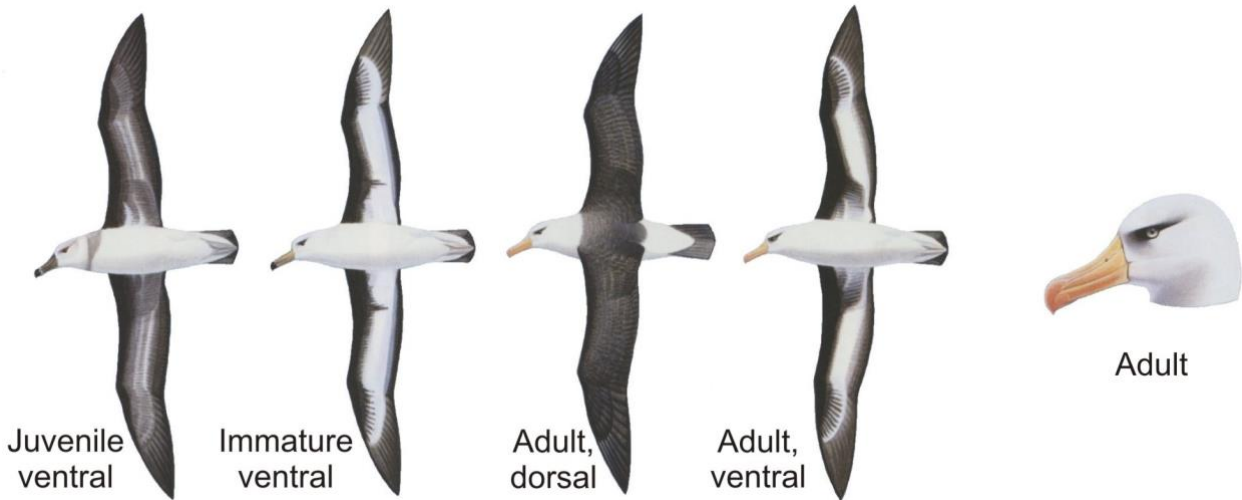


**Campbell Black-browed Albatross** *Thalassarche impavida* Species Code.: 046 Band: M/O



**Status:**

Elevated in 2008 from Black-browed Albatross subspecies *T. melanophris impavida* to species status.

**Morphometrics:**

	Males	Females
Wing:	490 – 540 mm	490 – 530 mm
Tail:	205 – 229 mm	200 – 225 mm
Bill (tip to skull):	105 – 118 mm	105 – 114 mm
Bill depth at base:	42.7 – 47.5 mm	40.2 – 45.6 mm
Tarsus:	77 – 88 mm	75 – 88 mm
Middle Toe:	120 – 152.5 mm	116 – 114 mm
Weight:	2.750 – 3.500 kg	2.200 – 3.150 kg

**Ageing:**

Plumage gradually becomes whiter on crown, hindneck and foreneck and underwing;  
 By three years of age the head is almost indistinguishable from adult;  
 Adult plumage attained at 4-5 years;  
 Age recorded of first return to breeding islands varies from 3 years to 6.4 years;  
 Youngest age recorded of first breeding is 7 years.

**Sexing:**

Current data suggest that birds might be sexed on the length of the middle toe, with males being longer than females, but more data is required;  
 Both sexes incubate.

**Similar species:**

Black-browed Albatross *Thalassarche melanophris* – apart from measurements, the easiest distinguishing feature is dark brown iris, whereas adult Campbell Albatross has a pale yellow to white iris;  
 Black-browed x Campbell Black-browed Albatross hybrids have been recorded on several breeding islands – HANZAB has no illustrations or descriptions to identify hybrids, but obvious hybrids should be recorded with Species Code 904 & Band M.