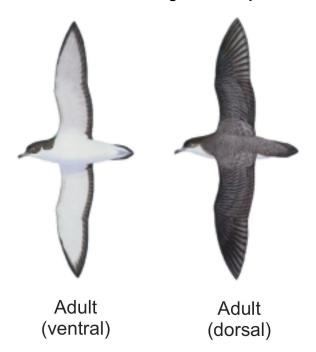
Subantarctic Little Shearwater Puffinus elegans Species Code: 087 Band: X



Status:

Formerly regarded as a subspecies of Little Shearwater Puffinus assimilis, but elevated to species . status in 2018

Morphometrics:

| | Unsexed |
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| Wing: | 158 – 203 mm |
| 8 th Primary: | 112 – 118 mm |
| Tail: | 59 – 79 mm |
| Bill (tip to skull): | 23.0 - 32.0 mm |
| Bill Depth: | 8 – 11 mm |
| Tarsus: | 33 – 42.2 mm |
| Middle Toe: | 41 – 53 mm |
| Weight: | 226 – 275 g |

Ageing:

Juveniles are indistinguishable from adults;

Age of attaining adult plumage and first breeding unknown.

Sexing:

No sexual dimorphism in plumage or size;

Both sexes incubate.

Similar species:

Little Shearwater Puffinus assimilis (all subspecies) – black on head does not extend below eye.