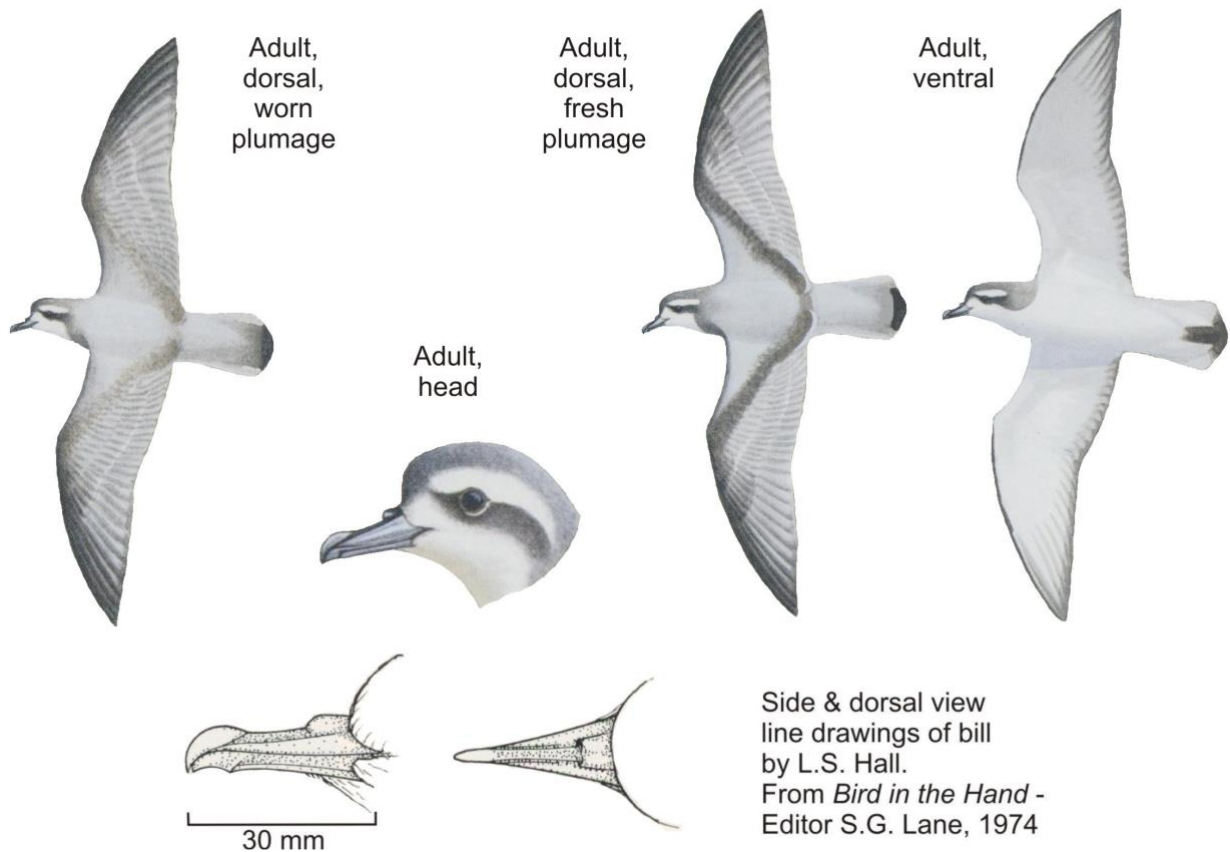


Thin-billed Prion

Pachyptila belcheri

Species Code.: 072

Band: D/DP



Identification:

Narrow terminal black-brown band on tail t1 to t3, whole of t4 to t6 are light grey;
Length and width of bill (see illustrations above).

Morphometrics:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	177 – 184 mm	179 – 188 mm
Tail:	90 – 95 mm	92 – 102 mm
Bill length:	23 – 27 mm	
Bill depth:	5 – 6 mm	4.5 – 5 mm
Bill width:	9 – 10 mm	9.5 – 10 mm
Tarsus:	31 – 36 mm	
Toe:	37 – 40 mm	37 – 39 mm
Weight:	118 – 180 g	

Ageing:

Juveniles (1) depart nesting burrows mid March for at least two years;
Juveniles have high culmen, greater bill depth and soft latericorn which distinguishes them from adults;
Age at first breeding is not known. Breeding birds will be at least (3+).

Sexing:

No sexual dimorphism in size or plumage;
Females sexed on distension of abdomen during breeding season;
Both sexes incubate.