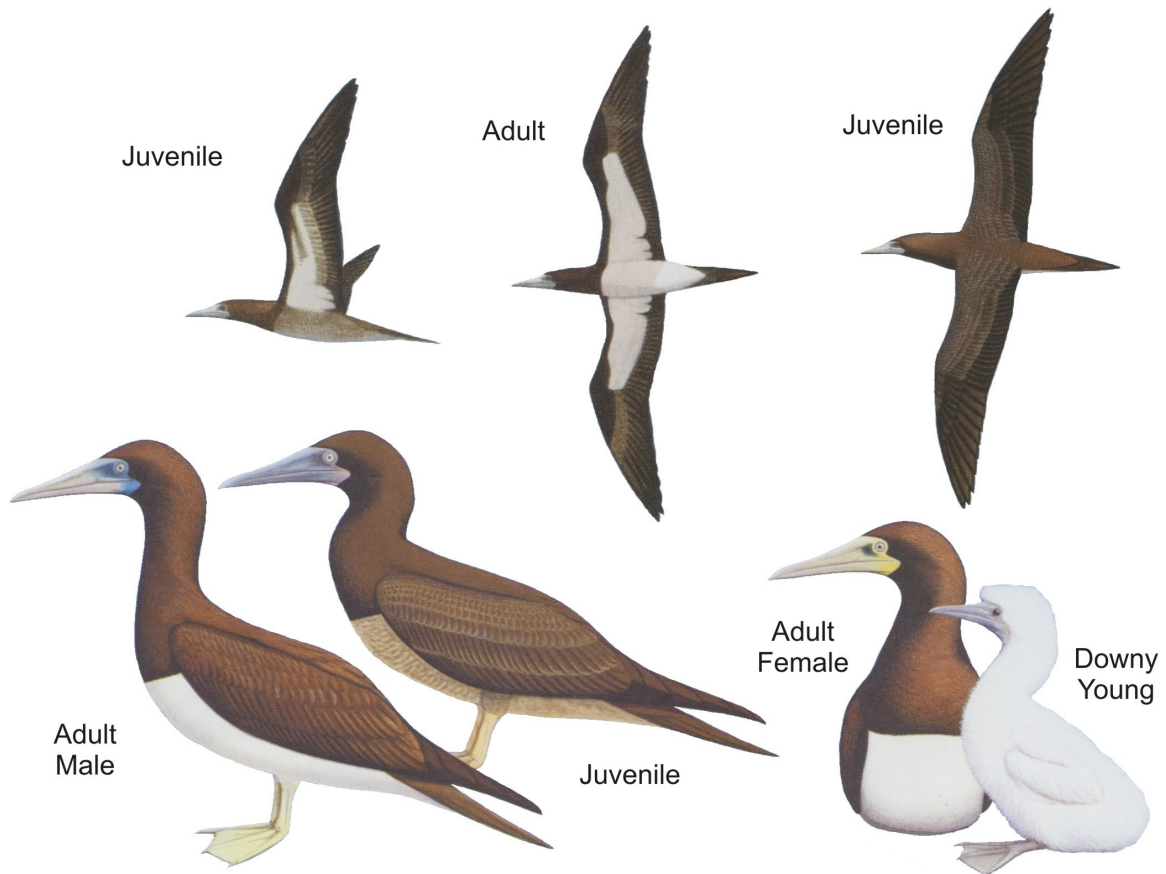


Brown Booby *Sula leucogaster* Species Code: 162 Band: [M/O]



Morphometrics:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	361 – 428 mm	375 – 440 mm
Tail:	176 – 236 mm	176 – 250 mm
Bill (tip to skull):	91.8 – 109 mm	87 – 110 mm
Tarsus:	40 – 55.4 mm	42 – 54.6 mm
Weight:	940 – 1400 g	892.5 – 1535 g

Ageing:

See illustrations;
 Juveniles and Immatures appear similar with underparts becoming paler and upperparts becoming darker with age;
 Adult plumage is attained at about 32 – 33 months, so age Immatures (3-) and Adults (3+)

Sexing:

No sexual dimorphism in size or plumage, but there are bare parts differences as follows:

- eye-ring, facial skin and gular pouch is blue in males, but chrome-yellow in females;
- bill in most males is lime green to yellow with blue base during breeding, whereas the base of female bill is chrome-yellow with blue in front of eye;
- legs and feet in males is pale arsenic green and in females pale yellowish green

Both sexes incubate.