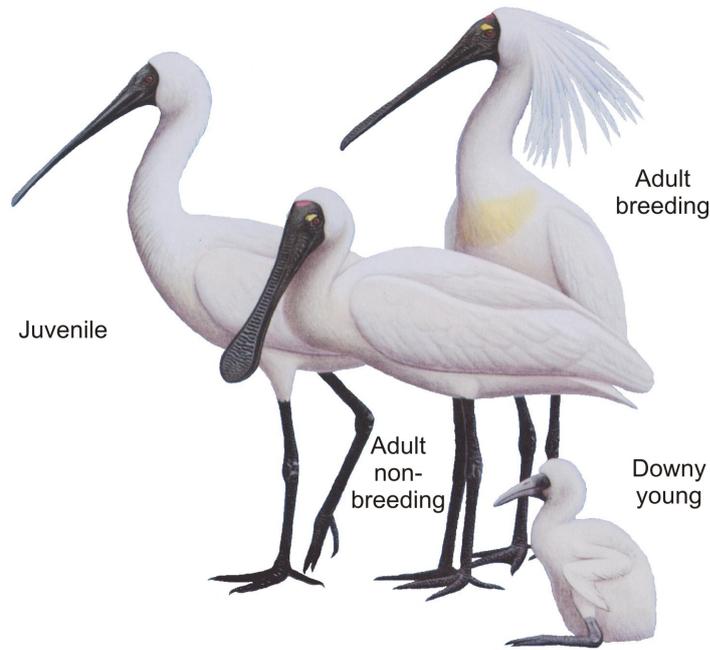


Royal Spoonbill *Platalea regia*

Species Code: 233 Band: O



Morphometrics:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	347 – 385 mm	350 – 365 mm
Bill (tip to skull):	205 – 220 mm	158 – 187 mm
Bill – spoon width:	54.4 – 57.8 mm	49.2 – 53.1 mm
Tarsus:	116 – 128 mm	100 – 120 mm
Weight:	1650 – 2070 g	1400 – 1800 g

Ageing:

Juveniles (J) and Immatures (1) differ from adult non-breeding (2+) as follows:

	Adult non-breeding(2+)	Immature / Juvenile (1)
Iris:	red-brown;	dark brown;
Upper eyelid:	upper eyelid and small patch above eyes, yellow, not extending below eye;	dark grey;
Bare facial skin:	grey-black;	dark grey;
Bill, legs and feet:	black;	grey-black;

Adult plumage probably acquired in second year;
Age of first breeding not known.

Sexing:

No plumage sexual dimorphism, but adult males are larger than adult females – see measurements above;
Both sexes incubate.