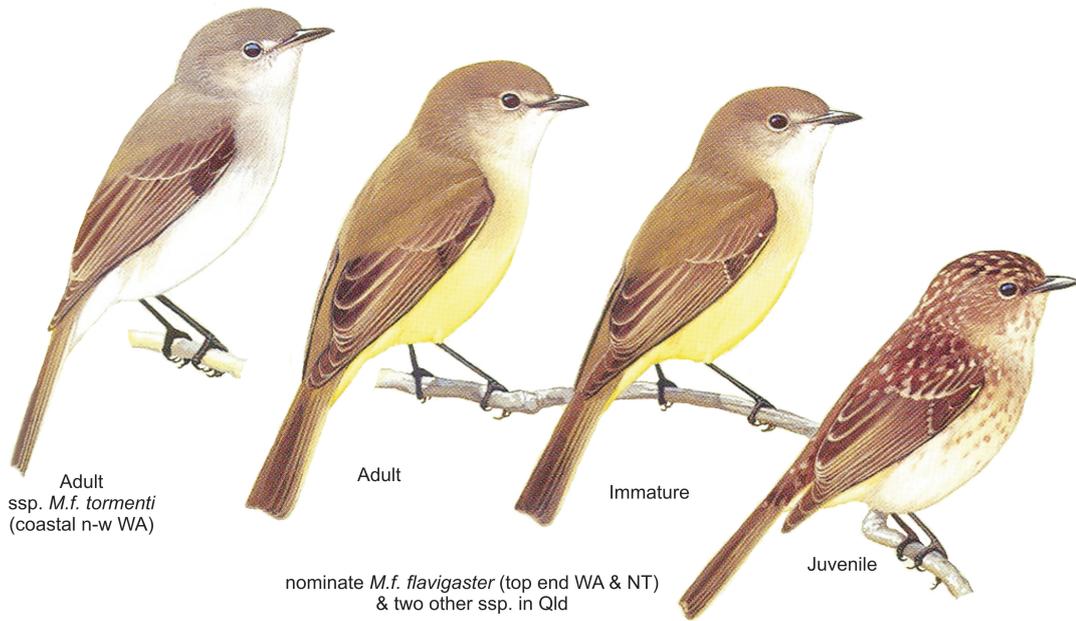


Lemon-bellied Flycatcher *Microeca flavigaster*

Species No.: 379

Band size: 01



Morphometrics:

Four subspecies in Australia – nominate *M.f. flavigaster* of the top end of WA and NT; *M.f. tormenti* of coastal n-w WA; *M.f. flavissima* on Cape York s. to Cooktown and *M.f. laetissima* n-e and mid-coastal Qld south of Cairns. Intergrades occur between subspecies.

	nominate <i>M.f. flavigaster</i>		ssp. <i>M.f. tormenti</i>	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	69 – 77 mm	68 – 73 mm	73 -81 mm	69 – 75 mm
Tail:	49 – 56 mm	47 – 56 mm	52 – 58 mm	49 – 56 mm
Weight:	9.3 – 12.5 g	8 -13.0 g	11.0 – 14.0 g	10.0 – 11.3 g

	ssp. <i>M.f. flavissima</i>		ssp. <i>M.f. laetissima</i>	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	72 – 80 mm	72 – 77 mm	77 – 82 mm	76 -79 mm
Tail:	47 – 54 mm	45 -52 mm	50 – 55 mm	49 – 55 mm
Weight:	11.5 – 14.0 g	10.0 – 14.0 g	11.0 – 14.5 g	12.0 – 15.0 g

Ageing:

	Adult (1+)	Juvenile
Bill:	mostly grey-black with paler brown to dull pink suffusion to base of lower mandible;	dark brown;
Iris:	black-brown;	dark brown;

Immatures retain juvenile greater primary coverts and outer secondary coverts, alula, remiges and rectrices;

Immature moult to adult plumage occurs at the end of the first year or early in the second year.

Thus adults should be aged (2+) and immatures either (2-) or (1) depending on timing and wear condition of remiges and rectrices.

Sexing :

There is no sexual dimorphism in size or plumage;
Not known whether both sexes incubate.