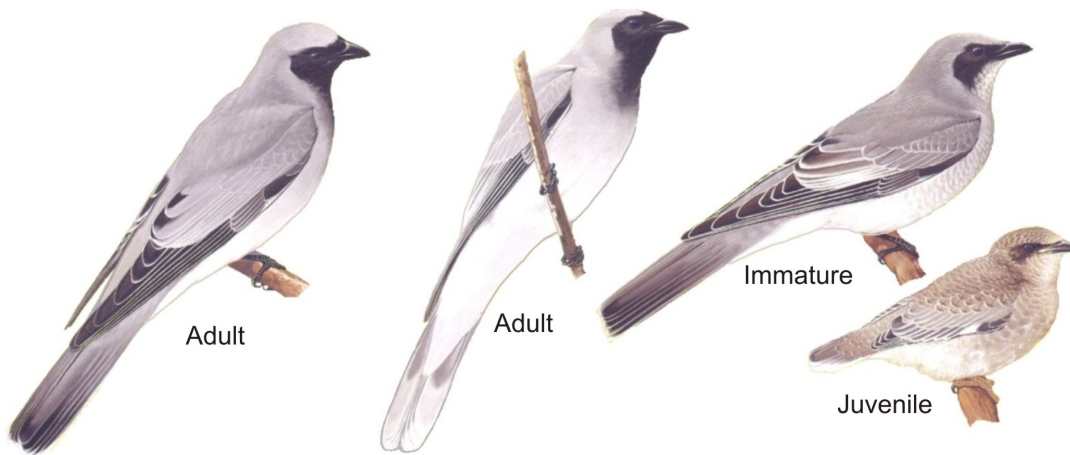


Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike *Coracina novaehollandiae* Species No.: 424 Band Size: 06 AY



Morphometrics:

Three subspecies as follows:

Nominate *C.n. novaehollandiae*
(Tas & Bass St. islands – migrate to
mainland after breeding)

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	189 – 201 mm	189 – 202 mm
Tail:	142 – 153 mm	140 – 154 mm
Bill:	26.2 – 30.6 mm	26.4 – 29.7 mm
Tarsus:	24.2 – 27.0 mm	23.5 – 27.5 mm
Weight:	86.5 – 146.5 g	102.0 – 132.0 g

ss. *C.n. melanops*
(mainland Aust. except Pilbara Region
region, WA)

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	183 – 212.5 mm	184.4 – 211.5 mm
Tail:	121.5 – 162 mm	124 – 151 mm
Bill:	26.9 – 32.5 mm	26.0 – 35.4 mm
Tarsus:	22.0 – 29.6 mm	23.9 – 27.1 mm
Weight:	97 – 137 g	93 – 148 g

ssp. *C.n. subpallida*
(Pilbara Region, WA)

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	188.5 – 203 mm	189 – 201 mm
Tail:	140 – 150.5 mm	134 – 155 mm
Bill:	27.9 – 32.9 mm	29.3 – 31.1 mm
Tarsus:	25.6 – 26.8 mm	23.9 – 27.1 mm
Weight:	110 – 119 g	103 – 126 g

Ageing:

Fledge in juvenile plumage and undergo a partial post juvenile moult to distinctive first immature plumage (see illustrations above);
Moult to Adult plumage commences at approximately one year old of age coinciding with adult post-breeding moult;
Thus age Immatures (2-) and Adults (2+).

Sexing:

There is no sexual dimorphism in either plumage or size;
Both sexes incubate.

Similar Species:

White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike *Coracina papuensis* – differences as follows:

	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike
Wing length:	189 – 202 mm;	148 – 175 mm;
Wing span:	529 – 628 mm;	482 – 505 mm;
Weight:	> 85 g	< 80 g