White-lined Honeyeater Meliphaga albilineata Species No.: 607 Band size: (trial)



Morphometrics:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	85 – 92 mm	77 – 86 mm
Tail:	73 – 83 mm	70 – 77 mm
Weight:	23.3 – 29.9 g	19.0 – 23.5 g

Ageing:

Adult (2+) Juvenile

Bill: black; dark grey or black

Gape: pale yellow or yellow; yellow; Iris: cream, bluish grey, off-white, dark light grey;

brown or pale grey;

dark brown with straw yellow fringe Greater secondary dark brown with light brown inner

& primary coverts; outer web & buff inner edges; edges; Primaries: dark brown with olive-yellow outer dark brown;

edges and pinkish-buff inner edges;

Juvenile readily distinguished by plumage (see illustrations);

Immatures difficult to distinguish from adults, but some retain longest feather of alula, juvenile remiges and rectrices. Some also retain some juvenile median and greater coverts; Immatures commence moult to complete adult plumage when approximately 1 year old coinciding with adult post breeding moult. Adults should thus be aged (2+).

Sexing:

No difference in plumage, but most males are larger than females; Suspected, but not confirmed whether female alone incubates.