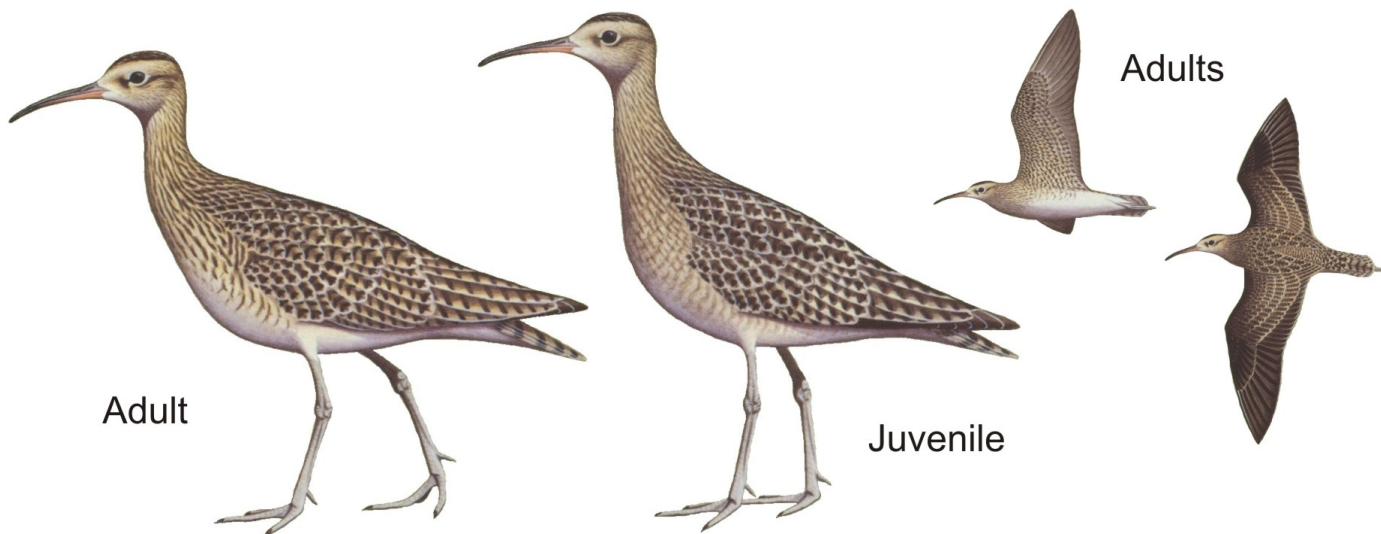


**Little Curlew**

*Numenius minutus*

Species No.: 151

Band size: 07 (06) IN



**Morphometrics:**

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	173 – 191 mm	178 – 194 mm
Tail:	63 – 74 mm	64 – 78 mm
Bill:	36.9 – 44.8 mm	32.9 – 49.0 mm
Tarsus:	44.7 – 51.7 mm	46.1 – 54.7 mm
Toe:	29.6 – 34.0 mm	28.6 – 34.4 mm
Weight:	118 – 221 g	

**Ageing:**

Arrive in Australia from mid-September when Juveniles (J) are distinguished by more sharply defined lateral spots to feathers of upperparts, upper wing coverts and tertials, which quickly wear leaving jagged notches;

Post Juvenile to First Immature (1) moult commences on arrival in non-breeding areas with moult of remiges being completed by early April and then commence moult to adult breeding plumage before their northern migration, but isn't completed until after leaving Australia;

Upon arrival in non-breeding areas, adults (2+) have old primaries or are just beginning moult of primaries;

**Sexing:**

There is no sexual dimorphism in plumage, but females may be marginally larger than males.