Variegated Fairy-wren Malarus lamberti

Length 11-15 cm from tip of beak to tip of tail Wingspan 13-16 cm Weight 7-8 g



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This small bird can be found throughout most of Australia, except the far north and south. Variegated means multicoloured, but only the males are colourful. Outside breeding season, they become dull grey-brown like females and young birds, making it easier for them to hide from predators.

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