

Black-crowned Night-Heron

1 imm. on 8 Nov 1987 at Saylorville Reservoir, Polk Co.
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flushed out of marshy area along reservoir-typical heron profile-legs short, dark-underparts heavily streaked with brown-wings and back brown with lighter spots throughout-bill dark, short, and thick

Not a Yellow-crown because of this birds shorter legs, heavy streaking on underparts, and lack of contrast between primaries and secondaries

✓ American Bittern

1 on 21 Nov 1987 at Forney L., Fremont Co.
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seen only for about a minute as bird flew by-rather large, stocky heron with legs dangling behind bird in flight-underparts light with darker streaks-upperparts brown except for distinctly darker flight feathers on outer wing

bird not a night-heron because of larger size and darker outer wing