

PRAIRIE FALCON (1)

DeSoto Bend NWR(Nebr. portion)

November 5, 1981
10:30 a.m.

In Nebraska

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Description: Head clear brown with slightly darker crown; thin facial marking from eye through white cheek. Breast dull-white streaked with brown. Black axillars extending into wing linings. Wings long, pointed with barred primaries. Tail long, rounded, faintly barred.

Behavior: This bird flew out of a wooded area; over a field and returned to the trees.

Similarly appearing species: This bird had distinct black axillaries, unlike either Peregrine Falcon or Merlin.

Habitat: Missouri River Bottomland; Cottonwood trees and fields

Distance and skies: 200' guess Sunny, windy

Equipment: 8x30 binoculars
8x 30 "
6x 26 "

Books Consulted: none

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