

White-winged Dove
20 May 1999
Waukee, Dallas Co., IA
*Roger Schlaefer
to 21 May; IBL 69:95, 70:145

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DOCUMENTATION

Roger Schlaefer, 1070 1st Pl., Waukee 50263 [9/17/99]

REFERENCES

Field Reports: IBL 69:95
Records Committee: IBL 70:145

VOTE: 7 A-D

A-D, All of the important field marks, and most especially the call, were noted. I don't think I would describe the body color of this species "charcoal gray" but people have different perceptions of gray. Regarding the size, the White-winged is actually slightly smaller in length than a Mourning. Until today, I thought they were larger, too, presumably a perception error due to the White-winged's greater bulk. The observer's comment about storms from the southwest a few days support the identification.

A-D, Good description of appearance and calls.

A-D, White wing patches, song, and other features nicely detailed.

A-D, Good observations of vocalizations.

A-D, Well described.

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What species? WHITE WINGED DOVE (ZENALDA ASIATICA) How many? ONE (1)Location? WAUKEE, IOWA 50263 - SONGBIRD PARK behind 1070 1ST PL.Type of habitat? OPEN GRASSY MOWED PARK - SEVERAL ACRES OF TALL GRASSES. AND BUSHES. NARROW WOODED GULLY - BESIDE TREE LINED POND - VARIOUS PLANTED FRUIT TREESBy Cottonwood tree & Flowing stream.When? date(s): MAY 20-21 time: MORNING to 6AM - 7PM.Who? your name and address: ROGER SCHLAEFER 1070 1ST PL WAUKEE IA 50263others with you: WIFE MARJORIEothers before or after you: NONE

Describe the bird(s) including only what you observed. Include size, shape, details of all parts (bill, eye, head, neck, back, wing, tail, throat, breast, belly, under tail, legs, feet). Also mention voice and behavior.

1ST HEARD SOUND EARLY MORNING like LOCAL MORNING DOVES yet a little deeper SOUND WITH EXTRA "HO" i.e. hh^hoo hoo hoo hoo hoo oo. Thought it would be AN OWL. SAW IT FIRST by pond among Cranberry & NANKING Berry Bushes. Then in River Birch AND NEWLY BUDDED MULBERRY TREES.

SIZE: Looked a little bigger, FULLER, than local MORNING DOVE

TAIL: MORE ROUNDED THAN MORNING DOVE

COLOR: Like MORNING DOVE. WHEN I FIRST SAW IT, I COULD SEE SOME WHITE ON TAIL & WING. WHEN IT FLEW THE WHITE ON WING - Large patch half-way on each wing, upper part. TAIL had white end tips

Body - charcoal gray. whole body -

Bill - appeared dark.

AS I APPROACHED IT IN TREE, IT WAS 30 FT up in branches. IT quit hooting and kept nervous eye on me more so than action of morning doves. Soon flew short distance to another tree.

Similar species and how eliminated: Morning Dove; ^{THIS ONE} hoots more in sequence, deeper sound, white on wings and tail not like Local Doves.

Did any one disagree or have reservations about identification? only wife saw it and agreed with identification.

If yes, explain:

Viewing conditions: give lighting, distance (how measured), and optical equipment:

Bright sunny afternoon, good light. Distance 25-30 FT. - only eyesight then

Binocular: OMEGA-coated lens 7X50 Field 71°Previous experience with species and similar ones: Never seen white wing dovesSeen & heard Morning doves for 60 years.References and persons consulted before writing description: "A Field Guide TO THE BIRDS EAST OF THE ROCKIES" ROBERT T. PETERSON / "NATIONAL WILDLIFE" JUNE/JULY ISSUE 1999How long before field notes made? One day this form completed? 2 weeks 3 days

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(OVER)

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Tornadoes had blown from the southwest. A 99-14
few days before, dust picked up by tornadoes
in Oklahoma, was found in cities 150 miles
East of Waukeel. Could this possibly be a bird
picked up from such storms and blown here.

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I had read an article in the June/July "National
Wildlife" pp. 24-25. As soon as I saw the bird
I reread the article and saw the similar bird
pictured. It was the same bird.

Hope this is of some interest to you.

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