

DOCUMENTATION FORM
For Extraordinary Bird Sightings in Iowa

What species? Varied Thrush How many? 1
Location? 115 Lakeview Dr, Mason City, Ia
Type of Habitat? back yard with open field next to it
When? date(s): Feb 25-'95 time: 12:00^{pm} to 12:02
12:30^{pm} to 12:33
Who? your name and address: RITA GORANSON
115 LAKEVIEW DR
Others with you: Andrea Goranson
Others 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, undertail, legs, feet). Also mention voice and behavior.

Robin sized - perched in our tree - then went to ground + ran across yard - starting + stopping periodically. It had an orange eye stripe + yell orange breast with white undertail. A light brown band across breast area. Some wing bars visible.

Similar species; how eliminated:

Robin - Robin has white around eye not an orange stripe
Robin doesn't have banding on breast.
Robin solid color on back -

Did any one disagree or have reservations about the identification? No
If yes, explain:

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

cloudy - 50 ft

Previous experience with species and similar ones:

have seen several times before

References and persons consulted before writing description:

Nat'l Geo. + Peterson's East Birds

How long before field notes made? immediately this form completed? 1 week

Send completed form to Field Reports or CBC editor (address on back cover of Iowa Bird Life).