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Dear Tom,

Enclosed are photos of the rather "wind-blown" ovenbird that spent approximately one-month in my yard from about Dec. 10 to Jan 10. These photos were taken shortly after New Years and shortly before an ice storm which ended his stay in my yard.

He (or she) spent most of the day beneath the various bird feeders and on the lower branches of nearby shrubs.

This is the only warbler I have ever seen in the wintertime although I know such things have been reported.

It was a good year for birds. I had about a dozen cardinals, 6-8 mourning doves, a flicker, a red-bellied woodpecker, one hairy and many downy woodpeckers and in late spring a red-headed. It is the first flicker I have seen here in winter at my feeder. Naturally I had alot of the ordinary chickadees, nuthatches, juncos, goldfinches and a few house or purple finches (I never bothered to distinguish).