

CBC RARE BIRD DOCUMENTATION FORM

Submitted as documentation of (check all that apply):

_____ Unusual Species _____ Unusual Date _____ Unusual Habitat

1. ***MOST IMPORTANT:*** On back of form give complete details of this observation. Use additional sheets as needed. Include information on the bird's plumage, shape, size, vocalizations, habitat, behavior, etc. Describe exactly what you saw; include photocopies of your original notes and sketches. Name the species that you considered ID contenders; explain how you eliminated them.

2. Count Name: _____ Count Code: _____

3. Species _____ Age _____ Sex _____ # _____

4. Date (s) of Observation _____ Time _____ to _____
Earlier/Later dates by others, if known _____

5. Place _____
Nearest Town _____ County _____

6. Observer _____
Address _____
Telephone/E-mail _____

7. Observation Details:
Other Observers _____
Optics Used _____
Distance From Bird _____ Viewing Conditions _____

Weather, sky cover _____
Photo Taken? _____ Video? _____ Sound Recording? _____ Specimen? _____

Are these available to the CBC Regional Editor? _____ Where are they? _____

8. Past Experience: With this or similar species? _____

9. References or Advice Consulted: _____

10. Was this report done from notes made during or after observation or from memory? _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Observers please give this form to your compiler. Compilers please send all rare bird forms directly to your regional editor. Contact information for regional editors can be found at: <http://birds.audubon.org/programs/cbc/regional-editors> or in the latest CBC issue of *American Birds* under Regional Summaries. UPLOAD your CBC PHOTOS to the website at http://web1.audubon.org/imagePublic/cbc_form.php and then email them directly to your regional editor.

Any questions e-mail us at: cbcadmin@audubon.org

SUPPORTING DETAILS: UNCOMMON OR RARE SPECIES AND/OR SPECIES IN HIGH NUMBERS

CBC NAME :

CBC DATE:

COMPILER:

Observer writing this account and date:

SPECIES:

NUMBER, AGE, SEX:

Distance from bird(s):

Relative size of bird:

HEAD & NECK (Describe forehead, crown, auricular, malar region, median line, etc.):

EYE & LORES (Describe supercilium, ring, stripe, color, etc.):

UPPER & LOWER MANDIBLES:

LEGS & FEET:

UPPERPARTS (Describe nape, back, rump, upper tail coverts, etc.):

UNDERPARTS (Describe throat, belly, side, flanks, crissum, etc.):

RECTRICES (describe inner, middle, outer tail feathers, color pattern, shape, etc.):

WING (Describe color, length, shape, linings, bars, coverts, leading and trailing edges, etc.):

VOCALIZATION:

BEHAVIOR:

Date of observation:

Time:

Weather:

Sky cover:

Duration of observation:

Bird-Sun orientation:

Exact location:

Habitat:

Other observers:

Optical equipment:

Use back side of sheet for additional comments

AN ACCOMPANYING SKETCH OR PHOTOGRAPH CAN BE AN EXCELLENT FURTHER DOCUMENTATION