

COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - SIGHT RECORD FORM

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Please print or type. Attach photographs and additional pages if necessary.

Species: Inca dove (Vernacular Name) Columbina inca (Scientific Name)Date(s): 23 November, 1992 through 21 December, 1992Number of birds seen: 3 Sex: Unk Plumage: adultLatilong: 21 Distribution Code: Habitat Code: Locality: Lamar Elevation: 3680Nearest town: Lamar County: ProwersTime(s) observed: usually mornings, sometimes late afternoonsDuration of observation (e.g. 1 sec., 5 min., etc.): longest = 20 minutes

Other observers who saw the bird with you (give names, addresses, telephone numbers):

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Other observers who saw the bird independently (give names, addresses, telephone numbers):

Unknown

Light conditions (position of bird to light and shade, direction and strength of light):

Variable - anywhere from foggy to bright sunshine; usually cloudy and/or snowing

Optical equipment used (e.g. power, types): 8x binoculars; unaided eye

Distance and how measured: 20 feet (visual estimate)If photographed, type of equipment and film: 35 mm camera, Pentax, Kodachrome 64, 300 mm lens + 135 mm lensWho else photographed the bird: Bryant WillDescribe the bird's behavior (e.g. flying, feeding, or habits used in identifying): Flying from one elm tree to another (perching);Feeding on ground at bird feeders + scattered grain

Describe in detail the bird's relative size, overall shape, plumage and color pattern. Include details of bill, wing and tail shape. Give particular emphasis to marks you used to identify the bird. Reference to its resemblance to field guide descriptions and illustrations is not enough. Describe only what you actually observed in the field: Much smaller than mourning d. but of the same shape (even smaller body size than robin). Feather pattern on breast + somewhat on back much like scaled quail appearance (scaly-looking). White outer edges on tail. Rusty, cinnamon colored patches in wings, visible when bird was in flight.

Description (continued):

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Describe the bird's song and call, if given, including method of delivery, (i.e. from perch, in flight, duration):

No song or call.

Describe the general and specific habitat in which you observed the bird:

Urban setting (using the term loosely; after all, it is Lamar!).
Backyard habitat; Chinese elm trees, shrubs, lawn, bird feed

How did you eliminate similarly appearing species?

Much smaller than mourning doves; more scaled appearance than common ground dove or white-tipped dove; white edged tail clear to base of tail, unlike white-tipped dove.

What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species?

I've never seen an Inca dove before, but I've seen many mourning doves, some white-winged doves, a few spotted dove

List books, illustration, recordings, other birders, etc. consulted and how this influenced your identification:

a) At time of observation: consulted Nat'l Geo's Field Guide to Birds & N. Am

b) After observation: Nat'l Aud Soc Master Birding Guide

This report was written from reports made during ☒, after observation ☐, from memory ☒

Date and time report was written: 18, February, 1993

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