

COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - SIGHT RECORD FORM

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

Species: EURASIAN WIDGEON / ANAS PERVERGATA
(Vernacular Name) (Scientific Name)Date(s): 3/25/89Number of birds seen: 1 Sex: M Plumage: ADULTLatilong: 24 Distribution Code: _____ Habitat Code: AGLocality: MONTIC VISTA NAT. WILDLIFE REFUGE Elevation: _____Nearest town: MONTIC VISTA County: BIO GRADETime(s) observed: EARLY AFTERNOONDuration of observation (e.g. 1 sec., 5 min., etc.): 3-4 MINUTES

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

NONE

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

NONE

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

CLEAR SKIES. BIRD IN OPEN. SUN SIDE LIT.Optical equipment used (e.g. power, types): TELESCOPE 25X SCOPEDistance and how measured: 60-75 YDS. ESTIMATE.If photographed, type of equipment and film: N/AWho else photographed the bird: N/A

Describe the bird's behavior (e.g. flying, feeding, or habits used in identifying):

FEEDING W/ ANER. WIDGEONS IN A FLOOD FIELD. PUT UP BY A TROUGH LEG HAWK.

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:

BIRD ABOUT THE SAME SIZE OR SLIGHTLY SMALLER THAN ANER. WIDGEONS IT WAS WITH. LIGHT BLUE-GRAY BILL W/ BLACK TIP. HEAD CINNAMON-BROWN

Description (continued): w/ CREAMY WHITE CENTRAL STRIPE. BACK & FLANKS
GRAY. LARGE HORIZONTAL WHITE WING PATCH. BLACK UNDERTAIL
COVERS FLANKED BY WHITE PATCHES. SIDE VIEW. DID NOT
SEE BREAST, BELLY OR LEGS.

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

SILENT.

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

FLOODED AGRICULTURAL FIELDS 1.2 MILES S. OF REFUGE ENTRANCE
ALONG HIGHWAY.

How did you eliminate similarly appearing species?

AMEX. WIDGEON ELIMINATED BY HEAD COLORATION, GRAY
BACK & FLANKS.

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

SAW SEVERAL OF THIS SPECIES ANNUALLY WHILE LIVING IN
OREGON. VERY FAMILIAR w/ AMEX. WIDGEON.

List books, illustration, recordings, other birders, etc. consulted and how this influenced your identification: NO INFLUENCE EXCEPT TO DOUBLE CHECK
FOR IDENTIFYING FIELD MARKS.

a) At time of observation: NAT. GEO. SOCIETY FIELD GUIDE

b) After observation: NONE

This report was written from reports made during ✓, after observation _____, from memory _____

Date and time report was written: 1/29/91

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