

# WV BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

Please Type or Print Legibly

Species: Eurasian Collared-Dove Number: (leave blank)

Location: Ronceverte, WV Date: 12-19-2021 Time: 0944

Bird Seen: 0935 To: 0950 Age/Sex:

Description: In lieu of physical material substantiating a record (e.g., specimen, diagnostic photograph, vocal recordings) a complete written description can serve as verification for the biological record. Please be as thorough as your field notes allow. Do not feel constrained by the space provided. Additional supporting descriptions/illustrations may be attached. Note that photographs or recordings WILL NOT BE RETURNED but become part of the permanent record for the observation.

Structure: (Overall size and shape plus details on the head, feet, tail, etc.)

Medium to large sized Dove-shaped bird with broad, flat-tipped tail. Since they were conveniently perched next to Mourning Doves, their larger size and lack of pointed tail was clearly seen.

Plumage: (e.g. markings, coloration, molt)

Pale gray in color, half collar of black was evident. White tail-edging was barely visible in the cloudy lighting.

Description of any vocalizations, if heard:

N/A

Description of behavior:

Perched on electrical wires next to Mourning Doves, all of which were watching us watch them!

Habitat: (General and Specific)

Fairly densely populated neighborhood of residential mobile homes; paved roads with intermittent mature trees and landscape plantings. Exact location is intersection of Knollwood and Crestview streets.

Circumstances of observation: (Include details of distance to bird, optics employed, lighting in relation to observer and the bird)

Christmas Bird Count observation in which all species were sought; a cloudy day as evident in photo. Two observers, one using 8X and the other 10X binoculars with clear line of sight.

Previous experience with this species:

Both my husband and myself are US Navy veterans who have lived in multiple states as well as enjoyed extensive travel in our motorhome since retirement. We are very familiar with the Eurasian Collared-Dove, having seen it in many of our former residential areas and travel destinations.

Experiences with similarly appearing species which are eliminated by your description: (Please be specific)

We also are very familiar with the Mourning Dove species.

Other observers: (Names, Addresses, E-mail please)

If the others agree with your identification they can sign this form here. If they care to provide additional details they can submit their own report.

Kenneth Floyd

Additional observer signature:

Additional observer signature:

Additional observer signature:

Books, illustrations and advice consulted, and especially how did these influence this description:

N/A

How long after observing this bird did you first write this description?

4 days

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