

WV BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

Please Type or Print Legibly

Species: Number: (leave blank)

Location: Date: Time:

Bird Seen: To: 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.)

See photos

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

See Photos

Description of any vocalizations, if heard:

The sound was unlike anything except maybe a dove (in tone) imitating a rooster crowing (in cadence).

Description of behavior:

Was with a group of Mourning Doves but did not come the bird seed on the ground with them. Instead, it sat in the trees nearby calling, and moving often.

Habitat: (General and Specific)

Three Rivers Avian Center and our House, which is only 120 yards away, is located in an old farm, partially regrown with young trees, but with small fields. T.R.A.C. is at 2700 feet and surrounded by old farms grown back to a young forest and adjacent to over 1000 acres of the New River Gorge National River.

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

Bird perched in trees around our house and above caging at T.R.A.C. The closest observations were from our porch, about 20' away and observed with 20X binoculars in excellent light. When flying, it showed bright white wing patches. At rest, the leading edge of the wings showed the prominent white stripes.

Previous experience with this species:

No previous experience, I mistook it for a pigeon at first.

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

We have dozens of Mourning Doves here and on rare occasions have seen pigeons.

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.

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Additional observer signature:

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

Stokes Field Guide to the Birds of North America
National Geographic Field Guide to the Birds of North America
Cornell University website <http://allaboutbirds.org> photos and sound clips

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

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Please use the space below to add any appropriate details you feel were missing from the above form or to expand on any answers whose allotted space was insufficient for a complete response:





