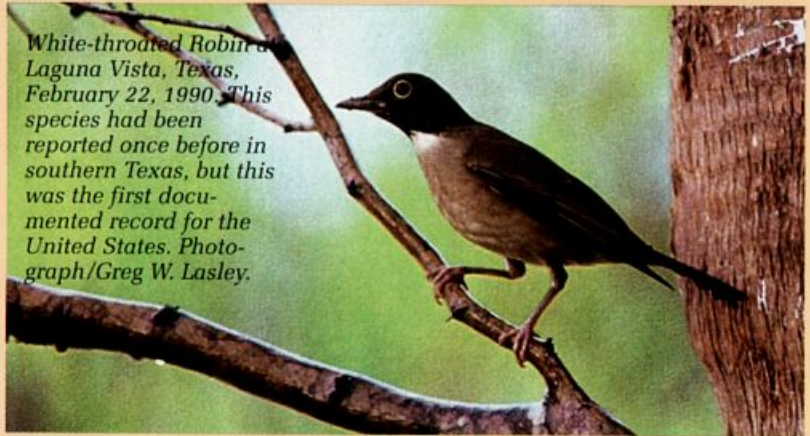


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Winter 1989-1990



Willow Ptarmigan 280 kilometers north of Matagami, Quebec, February 16, 1990. Photograph/Daniel Jauvin.



White-throated Robin at Laguna Vista, Texas, February 22, 1990. This species had been reported once before in southern Texas, but this was the first documented record for the United States. Photograph/Greg W. Lasley.



Yellow-bellied Sapsucker in first-winter plumage at Fort Collins, Colorado, January 5, 1990. By this time in the winter, Red-naped or Red-breasted sapsuckers would have molted into essentially adult-like plumage. Photograph/Dave Leatherman.



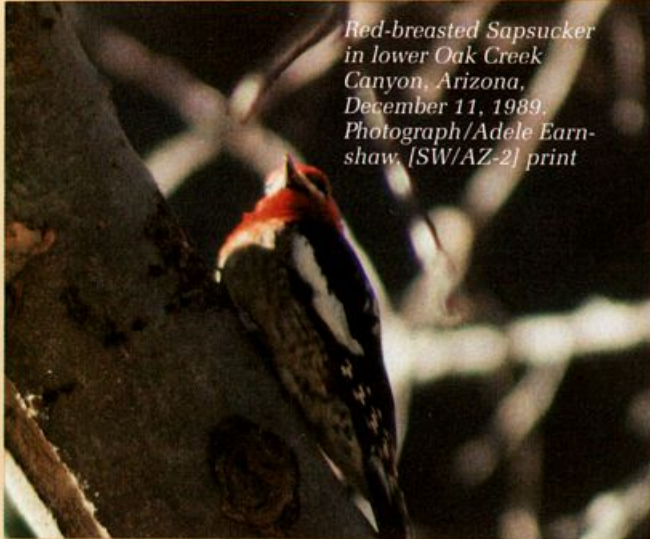
Adult Golden-crowned Sparrow at Green River Conservation Area, Illinois, February 19, 1990. This bird was apparently spending its second winter at this location. Photograph/Joel B. Milosevich.



Louisiana Waterthrush at La Jolla, California, February 1990. Only the third state record. Even at this odd angle, the large bill and flaring supercilium are apparent; the bird has just a trace of cinnamon-buff on the flanks. Photograph/Anthony Mercieca.



This Sora in Will County, Illinois, December 22, 1989, clearly picked the wrong year in which to linger so late in the season. Photograph/Joel B. Milosevich.



*Red-breasted Sapsucker
in lower Oak Creek
Canyon, Arizona,
December 11, 1989.
Photograph/Adele Earn-
shaw, [SW/AZ-2] print*



*At least three very late White-rumped Sand-
pipers stayed to December 16, 1989, at St. John's,
Newfoundland. This individual, photographed
December 3, still had many of its pale-edged
juvenal coverts and scapulars, and so was easily
identified as a first-winter bird. Photograph/
Bruce Mactavish.*



*No doubt its origins will be debated, but chances are that this
male Yellow-faced Grassquit was a genuine stray from Mexico,
considering the other birds that wandered north this season. It
was photographed January 24, 1990, at Santa Ana National
Wildlife Refuge, Texas. Photograph/Robert DeGraaf*



*Green-tailed Towhee at Brattleboro, Vermont,
February 24, 1990. First state record. Photograph/
Geoff LeBaron.*



*Female Varied Thrush in Liberty-
ville, Illinois, January 3, 1990.
This winter season saw a major
eastward and southward flight of
Varied Thrushes. Photograph/Joe
B. Milosevich.*



*Yellow-throated Warbler at Marble-
head, Massachusetts, present from
November to December 14, 1989.
Photograph/Richard S. Heil.*



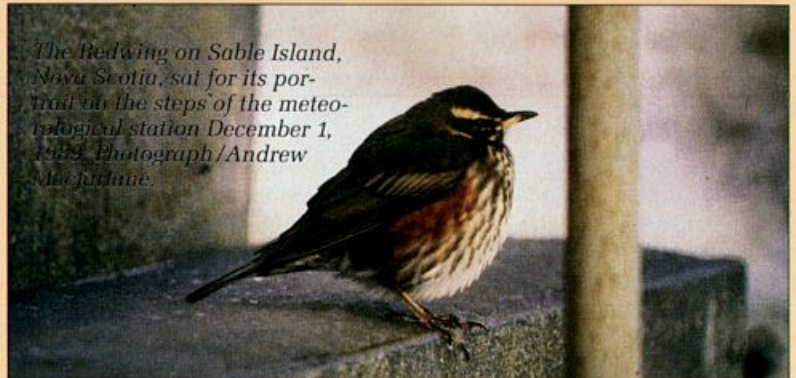
Rufous-backed Robin south of San Antonio, New Mexico, December 21, 1989. One or two individuals were present here in mid-December, providing the state's second documented record. Photograph/John W. Shipman.



Male Masked Tityra at Bentsen State Park, Texas, February 20, 1990. Although there had been one previous sighting, this represented the first confirmed record for the United States. Photograph/Greg W. Lasley.



For those of us who have always been skeptical of winter reports of Swainson's Thrush in North America, this bird's occurrence was a jolt: this Swainson's Thrush was in Essex County, Ontario, December 17, 1989. Photograph/Donald G. Cecile.



The Redwing on Sable Island, Nova Scotia, sat for its portrait on the steps of the meteorological station December 1, 1989. Photograph/Andrew MacFurlong.



Elegant Trogons are occasionally reported in Texas, but this female at Delta Lake on January 28, 1990, was one of very few ever to be documented in the state.



Eastern Phoebe present all winter (photographed February 25, 1990) at Irvine, California. Photograph/Matt Heindel.