

Louisiana Ornithological Society's
Louisiana Bird Records Committee
Report Form

This form is intended as a convenience in reporting observations of species on the Louisiana Bird Records Committee (LBRC) Review List. The LBRC recommends the use of this form or a similar format when submitting records for review (to assure that all pertinent) information is accounted for). Attach additional Pages as necessary. Please print or type. Attach Xerox of field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed, mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216.

1. English and Scientific names:

Black-throated Gray Warbler, *Dendroica nigrescens*

2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
1, apparent adult.

3. Locality: LOUISIANA: (parish) (specific locality)

Rapides, 1516 North Park Blvd, Alexandria, LA 71301 – Guillory Home Yard.

4. Date(s) when observed:

November 28, 2020

5. Time(s) of day when observed:

9:30 AM CST

6. Reporting observer and address:

Jay V. Huner, 428 Hickory Hill Drive, Boyce, Louisiana 71409

7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):

David Booth

8. Other observers who Independently identified the bird(s):

Connie Guillory and Stuart Head

9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light):

Overcast – Subdued light.

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):

Swarovski EL 10 x 42 Binoculars – good condition.

11. Distance to bird(s):

Approximately 25-30 yards.

12. Duration of Observation:

Off and on during a 2-3 minute period when roving band of feeding songbirds in area.

13. Habitat:

Urban residential area of large yards along cypress lined drainage stream called Hynsen Bayou.

14. Behavior of bird/circumstances of observations (flying, feeding, resting; including and stress habits in identification: relate events surrounding observation):

Foraging in large cypress trees in company of feeding flock of mixed songbirds.

15. Description (include only what was actually seen, not what “should” have been seen: include if possible: total length/relative size compared to other familiar species, body bulk, shape, proportions, bill, eye, leg, and plumage characteristics. Stress features that separate it from similar species):

The bird had an obvious black throat, cheek and crown bordered by white. Back was grayish. Black streaking on sides. White below. Was unable to see yellow loreal spot.

16. Voice:

Not Heard.

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):

Perhaps Black-and-white Warbler but facial pattern wrong and bird did not exhibit the feeding behavior of that species. Foraged on tops and sides of limbs.

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? Attached?):

None

19. Previous experience with this species:

I have seen this species before in Louisiana, Arizona, and California.

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

- a. at time of observation: IBirdPro
- b. after observation: Peterson Field Guide.

21. This description is written from: notes made during the observation (notes attached?); note made after the observation (date: 11/28-29/20); memory.

Notes: BTG Warbler = 9:30 AM. Small warbler. White white stripes on either side of eye. Extensive striping on sides of breast. Black throat. Mixed flock of D Woodpecker, YR Warbler, OC Warbler, RC Kinglet, Car Chickadee, YB Sapsuckers, & N Cardinal.

22. Are you positive of your identification? If not, explain.

Yes.

23. Signature of reporter Jay V. Huner date 11/29/20 time 8:50 AM