

LBRC Report Form

1. English and Scientific names: Painted Redstart (*Myioborus pictus*)
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
1, adult male
3. Parish:
Jefferson
4. Specific Locality:
Grand Isle Lafitte Woods LSU Tract GPS 29.23657° N, 89.99065° W
5. Date(s) when observed: 10.14.2025
6. Time(s) of day when observed: 3:45pm
7. Reporting observer: Kathy Rhodes
8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):
None
9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
None
10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Sunny, good light, starting to drop lower in the sky. Sun was to my back.
11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Nikon Coolpix B600 camera and Nikon Prostaff 3s Binoculars
12. Distance to bird(s): 25-30 feet. Bird was maybe 20 feet or so from the ground
13. Duration of observation: 1minute before it flew off, seemed longer
14. Habitat: Wooded area with mature trees and undergrowth
15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Bird came in to the mob tape. Seemed interested. It stayed on a dark tree trunk long enough for me to get good photos.

16. 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):

I have never seen this bird before. It's a lifer. I noticed the striking black and red coloring with the white wing patch. I wondered what this was as it wasn't quite registering. I sent the photo to 2 people who wrote back that it was a Painted Redstart. Then I knew. I did not see the bird again nor did I try. I wanted the bird to stay so others could see it.

17. Voice: Did not hear.

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

I am not aware of similar species.

19. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?):

I took several photos.

20. Previous experience with this species: None, Lifer

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

I used Merlin photo ID which MISidentified the bird as a Black-throated Blue Warbler. I sent pics to 2 friends who wrote back that it was a Painted Redstart.

22. Identification aids used when?

At time of sighting

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

Yes, Bird has already been confirmed on the eBird rare bird alerts.

24. Date report completed:

10.14.2025

25. May the LBRC have permission to display in whole or in part this report and accompanying photos on the LOS-LBRC website and LBRC Facebook page?

Yes

26. If yes, may we include your name with the report?



Yes



