

PA Rare Bird Report

Submission Date	2018-06-25 17:36:33
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Observer's Address	678 St. Johns Drive Camp Hill Pennsylvania 17011 United States
Names of additional observers	Dominic Mirarchi
Species (Common Name)	Wood Stork
Species (Scientific Name)	<i>Mycteria americana</i>
Subspecies (if known)	Ciconiidae
Number of individuals	1
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Immature
Observation Date and Time	06-25-2018 9:10 AM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S46784717
County	Dauphin
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Harrisburg
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Wildwood Lake Park
GPS coordinates of sighting	40° 19'09.7"N 76° 53'20.0"W
Habitat	Wetlands
Distance to bird	50 ft
Viewing conditions	Clear Day, Good View
Optical equipment used	Zeiss Terra ED 10x42 Binoculars

Description

The stork was similar in size to the Great Egrets near me it was feeding near the egrets as well. However, the head was brown with slightly ruffled feathers, and the beak was long and curved. Its body was mostly white with a single black stripe on the bottom of the wings. Its eyes and legs are black.

Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)

The stork was in the water hunting for fish and then started adjusting its feathers.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

There were Great Egrets around the stork. I eliminated the egrets from the stork by observing the head and the wings.

Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)

Yes, there were others with me while I was looking at the stork. I was able to get a long look at it.

After

National Geographic Field Guide to the Birds of North America

Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

Photograph

Upload images, audio, video or drawings



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Submission Date	2018-06-24 21:06:48
Observer's Name	Timothy Becker
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Observer's Address	10283 Jonestown Rd Grantville Pa 17028 United States
Names of additional observers	Eric Willett, Steve Dale, Mike Epler,
Species (Common Name)	Wood Stork
Species (Scientific Name)	<i>Mycteria americana</i>
Number of individuals	1
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	juvenile
Observation Date and Time	06-24-2018 7:30 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	https://ebird.org/pa/view/checklist/S46776730
County	Dauphin
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Harrisburg
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Wildwood Lake Park
GPS coordinates of sighting	40.31370, -76.886799
Habitat	Open marsh
Distance to bird	50 yards
Viewing conditions	clear and sunny
Optical equipment used	Celestron scope and Nikon binoculars

Description	White wading bird with black wing edgings. Thick pinkish decurved bill. Brownish neck feathers extending to bare skin area around eyes and base of bill. Slight crest on head feathers
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	Feeding. Held open bill under water and shuffled feet to flush prey towards the waiting bill. Flapped wings briefly showing black wing edging.
Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)	Coloration and bill to separate from egret
Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:	First sighted flying in by Eric Willett. I was notified by a phone call from Steve Dale. Mike Epler arrived at same time as I, and we walked in to view bird together.
Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)	Yes unmistakable
During	Audubon Birds app
After	Sibley Birds
Supporting evidence (check all that apply)	Photograph
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