

Submission Date	2012-11-05 20:36:34
Observer's Name	Todd Fellenbaum
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Observer's Address	Street Address: 233 Gaskill St City: Philadelphia State / Province: PA Postal / Zip Code: 19147 Country: United States
Names of additional observers	Adrian Binns, Debbie Beer, Al Guarente, Frank Windfelder, and many others.
Species (Common Name)	Cave Swallow
Species (Scientific Name)	Petrochelidon fulva
Number of individuals	1
Have you submitted this to eBird?	Yes
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Adult
Observation Date and Time	10-31-2012 8:00 AM
County	Philadelphia
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Philadelphia
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	John Heinz NWR
Habitat	Lake (Impoundment), marsh
Distance to bird	20-50 yards
Viewing conditions	Good Conditions-seen in good light
Optical equipment used	Scope, Binos
Description	Swallow with blackish black and cap; buffy rump, throat, cheek, and forehead patch. The pale throat contrasts with dark cap. In flight: square tail, round wings, and buffy rump and neck made it easy to pick out from the other swallows. Separated in the air from Cliff Swallow by the pale throat.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	First seen perched with many Tree Swallows about 35 yards away. Viewed through scope.

Later seen in flight, while feeding over impoundment.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

Cliff Swallow has a dark throat and red cheek patch.

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

Yes--Have seen both species many times.

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Submission Date	2012-11-01 20:28:14
Observer's Name	Al Guarente
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Observer's Address	Street Address: 421 S Old Middletown Rd City: Media State / Province: PA Postal / Zip Code: 19063 Country: United States
Names of additional observers	Frank Windfelter, Mike Rosengarten
Species (Common Name)	Cave Swallow
Species (Scientific Name)	Petrochelidon fulva
Number of individuals	1
Have you submitted this to eBird?	Yes
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Adult
Observation Date and Time	10-31-2012 12:05 PM
County	Delaware & Philadelphia County
Location (City, Borough, Township)	John Heinz Refuge
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Philadelphia
Habitat	Water Impoundment with tall reeds growing in it
Distance to bird	200 feet
Viewing conditions	Excellent
Optical equipment used	Zeiss 8x10
Description	A light colored Swallow flying among 100+ Tree Swallows. The orange rump was quite evident along with the orangy-cinnamon forehead. There was a dark crown but the rest of the head was buffy orange (not like the hooded appearance of Cliff Swallow) which blended into the sides of the breast area. The tail was squared off like a Cliff Swallow. The mantle was striped with white streaking.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird	Acted just like the other swallows in the group as they

possible about what the bird was doing)

were feeding vigorously.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

No dark hooded appearance like Cliff Swallow.

Discussion - anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:

Bird was seen flying in both Philadelphia and Delaware Counties

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

Yes

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