

LBRC Report Form

1. English and Scientific names: Black-headed grosbeak
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
1
3. Parish:
Terrebonne
4. Specific Locality:
Houma
5. Date(s) when observed: 1/20/2024, 1/21/2024, 1/22/2024
6. Time(s) of day when observed: 9am-11am
7. Reporting observer: Margaret Ellender
8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):
William Ellender
9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): overcast
11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Cannon 2000D Rebel camera
12. Distance to bird(s): 10-15 feet
13. Duration of observation: multiple 1-2 minute intervals throughout morning
14. Habitat: Populated neighborhood with wooded area across the street. Houses not close together. Trees close by.
15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Eating at

platform feeder. Waits from the trees while house finches and yellow finches arrive to feeder then joins them.

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):

Please see pictures attached.

17. Voice: Did not hear vocalization

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

Rose breasted grosbeak has light colored

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

please see attached

20. Previous experience with this species: First encounter

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

Merlin Bird ID

22. Identification aids used when?

After observation

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

I am not an expert or experienced bird identifier. Others on a local Facebook group assisted in comparing pictures I took to identify. Merlin ID app consistently ID'd the black headed grosbeak

24. Date report completed:

1/22/2024

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











