

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 or files as necessary. Please print or type for hard copy. For electronic copy, be sure to save this file to your computer before entering text. Attach field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed (if hard copy), mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216, or e-mail electronic copy as an attachment to Paul Edward Conover at <zoiseaux@lusfiber.net> .

1. English and Scientific names: [Gray Kingbird \(*Tyrannus dominicensis*\)](#)
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
[1](#)
3. Parish: [Jefferson](#)
Specific Locality: [Grand Isle, where the Santini property borders the Grilletta Tract.](#)
4. Date(s) when observed: [4 April 2017](#)
5. Time(s) of day when observed: [ca. 6 PM](#)
6. Reporting observer and address: [Van Remsen, LSUMNS](#)
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): [Matt Brady.](#)
8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s):
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): [so-so.](#)
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): [10X50 binos](#)
11. Distance to bird(s): [ca. 50-100 ft?](#)
12. Duration of observation: [off and on for ca. 5 minutes; actual duration probably no more than 1 minute.](#)
13. Habitat: [Tops of small trees adjacent to open area.](#)

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): [Sallying from treetops; may have gotten mulberry fruit, but I was never certain.](#)

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, *or for species that are known to hybridize frequently, stress features that help eliminate possible hybrids*): [See photos. Matt and I spotted this bird as it landed atop a mulberry tree what we had been watching. As I was mouthing "Gray Kingbird", Matt called it out. The bird was wary and seemed to disappear twice, only to return from nowhere to the same spot.](#)

16. Voice: [Silent](#)

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): [No other Tyrannus has combination of huge bill, mostly uniform dull brownish dorsal plumage, including tail, and dull whitish underparts without trace of yellow.](#)

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): [My photos attached. See also: <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S35701063>](#)

19. Previous experience with this species: [Not much – just 2 previous sightings in LA](#)

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

a. at time of observation: [none](#)

b. after observation: [none](#)

21. This description is written from:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	notes made during the observation.	Are notes attached?	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	notes made after the observation.	At what date?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	memory		
<input type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

22. Are you positive of your identification? [Yes](#). If not, explain:

23. Date: [18 June 2017](#)

Time:

24. May the LBRC have permission to display this report or portions of this report on its website? [Yes](#)

If yes, may we include your name with the report? [Yes](#)



