Common Dove and Pigeon Species in the United States

Mourning Dove

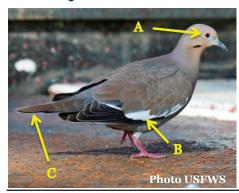


- Slightly smaller than white-winged dove
- Dark wing spots (A)
- Long, tapered tail that ends in a point (B)
- After breeding season can be found in flocks, occasionally with white-winged doves and Eurasian collared-doves, especially in areas with abundant food such as agricultural and open fields
- Juvenile mourning doves can have buffy tipped wing feathers and look similar to white-winged doves. Mourning doves will not have white wing bar

Range in the Lower 48 States of the U.S.



White-winged Dove

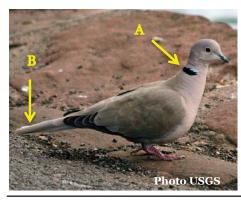


- Blue eye ring (A)
- White bar on the wing (B)
- Rounded tail (C)
- Range expanding north and east from southwestern US and Florida
- Generally seen in flocks during the fall

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Eurasian Collared-dove



- More common in urban and suburban than rural habitats
- Black ring around most of neck (A)
- Black bill
- Noticeably larger than other dove species

NOTE: Please do not report harvest of Eurasian collared-doves to USFWS. We do not monitor harvest of this non-native bird species.

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Band-tailed Pigeon



- Range Southwestern US, Mexico, and Pacific Coast
- Found in coniferous forests, oak and pine woods
- Larger than all dove species
- White neck band (A)
- Broad tail with gray tips (B)
- Yellow bill
- Similar in appearance to common pigeons; distinguished by range and habitat

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