



Geoffrey Williamson [REDACTED]

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**Mottled Duck, 31 AUG 2024**

1 message

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To: Geoffrey Williamson [REDACTED]

Wed, Sep 18, 2024 at 10:36 AM

Hi Geoff,

I'm submitting my photo and eBird checklist to you for IORC to review, assuming IORC still reviews Mottled Duck records.

If not, that's fine, too.

The bird certainly was NOT an American Black Duck, obviously because it wasn't black, but rather a dark brownish bird with warm tawny tones through the head and face. Couldn't see the bill as the bird was tucked.

But, timing is in favor this bird being a Mottled. And, there was white at the base of the primaries (American Black Duck should have ZERO white). Nearby Mallards, for comparison, showed the typical white, above and below the speculum and this bird, again, had only white below in the speculum.

My phone photo through the scope, when blown up, does show some of the white, mentioned above.

Anyhow, just sending this to you in case IORC wishes to see it.

Thanks and good fall birding to you!

Leaving for Brazil with Adam and crew in 1 week! Can't wait!

Later on,

Keith

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**2 attachments****IMG\_6042-1.JPG**  
269K**eBird Checklist - 31 Aug 2024 - Eldon Hazlet State Park - 86 species.htm**  
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