

## CAVE CREEK REGIONAL PARK BIRDWALK 2 15 25

CONDITIONS: Ideal at 7:30 AM, 40 degrees F under cloudless skies, no breeze



PARTICIPANTS: Derek, Rachel, and Elsa Boehner, Rich Fuhrmann, Jerry Molinelli (photography), Linda Molinelli, Pam Spinella (hospitality), Becca Steffensen, Wendy Minkus and guest, Wes Edens, Jill Golden, and guide Tom Locascio (13)

ROUTE: The usual route was followed: Overton Trail to Go John Trailhead, returning by way of the Go John east loop, past the Slate Tailhead to the Cave Creek Parkway then back to the Nature Center. Good observations were made at the feeder on the patio behind the Nature Center.

COMMENTS: The usual abundance of Gambel's Quail were present, especially around the bird feeder. Lots of Black-throated Sparrows and of course the usual favored spotting of Phainopepla.

SPECIES: Gambel's Quail 35, Mourning Dove 12, White-throated Swift 4, Anna's Hummingbird 1, Costa's Hummingbird 1, Red-tailed Hawk 1, Great-horned Owl 1, Gila Woodpecker 4, Ladder-backed Woodpecker 1, Common Raven 1, Verdin 4, Black-tailed Gnatcatcher 8, Cactus Wren 7, Curve-billed Thrasher 6, Phainopepla 3, House Finch 8, Black-throated Sparrow 40, White-crowned Sparrow 6, Canyon Towhee 2, Abert's Towhee 2 (20)

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