STILT SANDPIPER

Calidris himantopus

non-breeding visitor, vagrant

monotypic

Stilt Sandpipers breed in the tundra of Alaska and n. Canada (E to Ontario) and winter primarily from Mexico to S America (AOU 1998). Vagrants have reached Europe, the Galapagos Is, Japan, and Australia (Cramp and Simmons 1983, Higgins and Davies 1996). One found at the Ki'i Unit of JCNWR, *O'ahu* 19-21 Sep 2002 (HRBP 5044, 5173-5176, published *NAB* 57:135) is the only substantiated record for the Hawaiian Islands. A report of two near Kahuku, O'ahu, 6 Sep 1953 (*E* 14:33), is likely in error, and a desiccated corpse of a shorebird thought to be a Stilt Sandpiper, found on O'ahu in 1977, was sent to the USNM where it proved to be a Wandering Tattler (S. Olson, pers. comm.).

Acronyms and Abbreviations

Literature cited

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