

## WOOD SANDPIPER

*Tringa glareola*

**non-breeding visitor, vagrant**

monotypic

The Wood Sandpiper is primarily a Palearctic species, breeding across n. Eurasia and wintering from s. Africa to Australia (Dement'ev and Gladkov 1951c, Higgins and Davies 1996). It has bred occasionally in the Aleutian Is, Alaska, occurs fairly regularly there as a migrant, and occurs occasionally as a vagrant throughout North America (AOU 1998, CBRC 2007). It also migrates regularly through w. Micronesia (Wiles 2005) and as far E as the Marshall Is (Schipper 1985) and the westernmost Hawaiian Islands. Although the AOU (1957) lists Wood Sandpiper as "accidental" in Hawaii, no records prior to 1965 are known (Clapp and Woodward 1968).

All Wood Sandpiper records have been from the *Northwestern Hawaiian Islands*; a report of one at Waipi'o, O'ahu 4 Sep 1976 likely pertains to a misidentified [Lesser Yellowlegs](#). Clapp and Woodward (1968) and Woodward (1972) document the first three records: two males were collected on *Kure* 22 May 1965 (USNM 496777, [HRBP](#) 5536 of specimen) and 15 May 1969 (USNM 544585) and a first-cycle male was collected on *Midway* 11 Dec 1963 (USNM 497906, formerly 493333). The last individual likely was wintering there. Almost 30 years passed before the next records, all on Midway. One was on Sand I 16-18 June 1998 ([HRBP](#) 1204-1207), and 4 separate individuals were there 21 May-1 Jun 1999 ([HRBP](#) 1240-1241), with 3 at once being recorded on 25 May and 1 Jun. All 3 departed, presumably together, on the night of 1 Jun.

### [Acronyms and Abbreviations](#)

### [Literature cited](#)

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