

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher



This Scissor-tailed Flycatcher posed nicely for a handful of photos.

Description

An overall gray body with salmon-colored flanks and dark gray wings. This striking flycatcher has a long black and white tail that opens up into a magnificent scissor shape during flight.



Personal stats

First observation

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	San Antonio, Texas
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Captured media details

	Male	Female	Unknown
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Experiences & anecdotes

5/22/22 - *I love this bird. I see it often* during this time of year. It loves to perch on powerlines and survey fields and passersby. I recently saw nests of this bird at a local park. Shortly after this discovery, an intense storm occurred and I believe it wiped out the unsheltered nest (seen in the final photo below). Last week we discovered another nest, this time at a local pond, this one looked much more ready to withstand inclement weather.

Captured media

Photographs



This Scissor-tailed Flycatcher nest I discovered.



A great example of the varying tail lengths due to age.



A mid-air view of the Scissor-tailed Flycatcher in flight



This one perched on the tree support stake in my front yard.

Audio recordings

- [ML512356811](#) - 0:14
 - *Listen to the song of the Scissor-tailed Flycatcher. Their song serves as a nice ambient sound when I'm on the search for less conspicuous birds.*

<https://macaulaylibrary.org/asset/512356811/embed>

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