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On a winter birding trip in the South, visiting a local botanical garden, you see a small bird fly out from a Date Palm ahead of you. It pauses for a moment in the open, allowing an unobstructed view. What is the bird?

The answer, a discussion of the identification, and the name of the photographer will appear in the April 1981 issue of *Continental Birdlife*.





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Cover Photograph: Although the mood of this quiet and misty scene is vaguely Oriental, the locale is Mexican. This Green Kingfisher *Chloroceryle americana* was photographed by Kenneth V. Rosenberg on the Rio Magdalena, Sonora, in November 1980. For notes on winter birds in Sonora, see the article by Scott B. Terrill beginning on p. 11 in this issue.