



Figure 1. Asiatic Marbled Murrelet, *Brachyramphus marmoratus perdux* (top) from Mono Lake, California, compared with a specimen of the North America race *B. m. marmoratus*.

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## First nest record of Collared Swift in the Greater Antilles

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FROM APRIL TO JUNE, 1975, I had several opportunities to observe a Collared Swift, (*Streptoprocne [Cypseloides] zonaris*) nesting in a limestone ravine of the Rio Mulito in the extreme southwestern part of the Dominican Republic. In April I first noticed a swift's nest with two eggs, located in a small oval niche in the rock face near a cascade entering a pool known as "Charco de la Corona." Only by swim-

ming the pool could I reach the nest, a saucer-shaped structure composed mostly of moss.

Annabelle Stockton Dod of the Museo Nacional de Historia Natural in Santo Domingo encouraged me to revisit the site in order surely to identify the nesting bird. On April 20, 1979, I found another nest with two eggs in the same niche. This time I flushed an incubating bird. As it flew off the nest, I saw

clearly the white collar, confirming ownership of the nest.

As far as is known, this is the first description of the Collared Swift nest in the Greater Antilles.

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