

CINNAMON TEAL

Anas cyanoptera

non-breeding visitor, vagrant

A.c. septentrionalis

The n. subspecies of Cinnamon Teal (*A. c. septentrionalis*) breeds in w. N America, as far north as sw. Canada and migrates to the Neotropics, occasionally as far S as n. S America; populations of separate subspecies reside in S America. In the Pacific Basin, it has been recorded as a vagrant on Clipperton I (AOU 1998) and occurs in the *Southwestern Hawaiian Islands* sporadically in fall and winter. No specimens are known from Hawaii; the whereabouts of one reportedly collected somewhere in the state in 1968 (*E* 35:121) is unknown. A hybrid [Blue-winged](#) X Cinnamon teal was photographed at Punamano STP, O'ahu, 22 Jan 2007 ([HRBP](#) 5382-5383).

A [minimum](#) of 30 Cinnamon Teal have been recorded in Hawaii, from *Kaua'i* (5, 1973-2002; e.g., *E* 35:121, 36:22, 38:6; [HRBP](#) 1443 published in Engilis et al. 2004), *O'ahu* (9, 1992-2005), *Moloka'i* (4, 1982-2015), *Maui* (6, 1971-1997; e.g., *E* 32:9), and *Hawai'i* (6, 1973-2002; e.g., *E* 33:107). Almost all records are from Sep-Apr; individuals observed 18 Aug (1987, Kona STP, Hawai'i) and 28 May (1993, Ki'i unit of JCNWR, O'ahu) may have represented early/late migrants or over-summering birds. All records are of single males or pairs except for a unique record of 3-5 birds (up to 3 males and 2 females) at the Ki'i unit, JCNWR, O'ahu in late Dec 1993-Jan 1994. Many reports of females or first-fall males identified as either Cinnamon or Blue-winged teal could pertain to additional records of this species but were not substantiated; and a report of a Cinnamon Teal from the Honolulu Unit of PHNWR 26 Feb 2006 ([HRBP](#) 5271) appears to be of a small female [Northern Shoveler](#).

[Acronyms and Abbreviations](#)

[Literature cited](#)

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