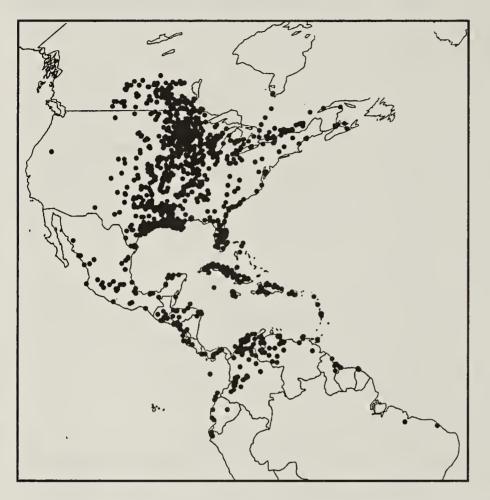
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What species of bird is this? Map submitted by Stuart Houston.

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All who wrote in about the March mystery photo correctly identified the nests as bird's-nest fungi.

Rain drops splashing into the nests dislodge the "eggs" (peridioles) which fly out of the cup. Later the walls of the peridioles break down, releasing the spores that they contain. This process is, logically enough, termed the "splash cup method of spore dispersal."



CORRIGENDUM

LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE BANDING ON THE PRAIRIES

by C. S. Houston, K. D. de Smet and D. M. Collister, March 2003.

In line two in paragraph one, 2000 should be replaced with 1991 so that the sentence reads: "In eastern Canada the status was raised to endangered in 1991". This information is found in COSEWIC. 1995. Canadian Species at Risk. Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada. Unpublished Report. 16 pp.