

LANIUS LUDOVICIANUS GAMBELII BY SHARON BEALS

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COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

Contemporary
United States
Loggerhead Shrike
Lanius ludovicianus gambeli

Inyo County, California, collected in 1916
Museum of Vertebrate Zoology

These bigheaded, strong-beaked birds bear a raptor's reputation for killing small birds and mammals, and are notorious for impaling their prey on a thorn or barb. Once just found in prairies, sage deserts, scrub, and savannahs, their numbers grew when forests were cleared for small farms and ranches with grassy pastures and rangeland for good hunting. But today's combine-created agriculture and side-walked suburbs have left little of this untidy wild in which both Loggerhead Shrikes and their prey can thrive.

The nests were photographed in four science collections: The California Academy of Sciences, The Western Foundation of Vertebrate Zoology, The Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, the

Cornell Museum of Vertebrates, and the American Museum of Natural History.
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North America, United States, California, Inyo County
MVZ Nest/Egg #1653
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