

Magnificent or Rivoli's Hummingbird
Eugenes fulgens

This large hummingbird breeds in high mountains north to central Arizona and is partially migratory. But until 2003 the only reports from California were inadequate for giving the species a place on the state bird list. Then, within months of each other, two appeared, both well photographed: the second in Eureka, the first in San Diego.

Migration: California's first well-documented Magnificent Hummingbird was an immature male at Kate Sessions Park (Q8) 11 October 2–29 November 2003 (N. Shroul).



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