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According the literature consulted *Donacobius atricapilla* or Black-capped Donacobius or Japacanim, like it is named in Brazil, it is a bird of Donacobiidae family (CBRO, 2015), that has large range with distribution from Panama to Bolivia, Argentina and several regions of Brazil, until Parana (SICK, 1997).

On December, 09, 2016, about 3pm, we had the opportunity (in company of Ronaldo Sena, photographer of nature) to observe a couple in a natural area of coastal lowland named "resting paludosa" of Agenor Campos, Mongaguá municipality, São Paulo State, Brazil (24°04'36.33"S/46°42'24.47"W, 19m high).

After hearing the vocalization of a couple the author passed playback and Ronaldo Sena photographed an individual from a distance (photo below).

As stated in the author's previous note "*The coastal lowland of "resting" in the municipality of Mongagua, Sao Paulo state, Brazil, is one of the natural places most interesting of São Paulo state, and one of the least studied in terms of birds, and being considered an important area for the conservation of birds- IBA (BENCKER et al, 2006). We found in the region a rich avifauna rare and / or endangered species". And "The presence of these species shows the ornithological importance of the region. Where still has many natural areas, especially near the base and on the "Montanhas (hills) da Serra do Mar", in the encounter with "restinga". (PROGRAMA AMBIENTAL: A ÚLTIMA ARCA DE NOÉ, 2014).*

This area where this record was made is known as "restinga paludosa" in Brazil (it is like wetlands area) where there are several small rivers and many species of aquatic plants (photo below). It is an area of difficult access and only by small boat you can enter inside.

Perhaps this is one of the first records by photo of this species for this region.

Because this I believe that this documented record in this simple note, can add some more data on this bird, and help your population study.



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Photos:



Donacobius atricapilla singing , by Ronaldo Sena.



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the local of bird recorded, by the author



the author making playback to *Donacobius atricapilla*, by Ronaldo Sena



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the author Antonio Silveira (left) and nature photographer Ronaldo Sena (right) minutes before recorded this species. Photo by Luiz, owner of support base in the region.