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PHOTO OF BIRD BELOW:



A Broad Wing Hawk on a power line wire.

Name of Bird: Broad Wing Hawk

Latin Name: Buteo Platyus Pteron

Bird's Habitat: The Broad Wing Hawk lives in woodlands in south central Canada to the eastern United States. Broad Wing Hawks migrate in numbers to Central and South America. Broad Wing Hawks can also be spotted near openings created by roads, trails, or wetlands.

Interesting Facts:

- Broad Winged Hawks belong to the same family as the Common Red Tailed Hawk, but the Broad Wing Hawk is smaller.
- A Broad Wing Hawk isn't much larger than a crow.
- The young and adult feathers of a Broad Wing Hawk are very much like the Cooper Hawk's feathers.
- A Broad Wing Hawk is often seen flying over forests rather than the open country. where
- The hawks call really high pitched sounds like:
"peweeeeeeeeeeeeeeee or peeetweeeeeeeeeee!!"

- A Broad Wing Hawk can soar for hours, but the birds usually hunt by "sitting and waiting" from a tree or utility pole.
- The best time to see a Broad Wing Hawk is in late spring or early fall.
- A Broad Wing Hawk lays 2 to 3 eggs at a time. The eggs are bluish-white, and/or a pale blue. They may have a brown mark.
- A raccoon or a crow may eat the Broad Wing Hawk's eggs.
- A Broad Wing Hawk's Nest is made of small sticks, twigs, and dead leaves.
- Their diet would consist about 56% of mammals, and 38% of other birds, some amphibians, reptiles, and insects.
- Broad Wing Hawks are often seen during migration. You may see huge flocks of hundreds of birds.
- Broad Wing Hawks are endangered.
- Broad Wing Hawks are often called "Wind Surfers of the Sky".
- Flocks of Broad Winged Hawks are often called "kettles".



A Broad Wing Hawk In flight.