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MAINE ---

snow and sun-drenched playground called vacationland. Here in Maine are some of the most productive fishing waters in the U. S. A. More than 2500 lakes, ponds, streams and brooks — seventeen million acres of rich hunting and fishing grounds for the nimrod.

For the fresh-water enthusiast, nothing can compare with the smallmouth bass found in Maine's lakes, ponds and rivers. In a picture-book setting of crystal-clear waters which mirror tall, stately pine, spruce and birch trees, the salmon, trout and bass grow to phenomenal size and in great numbers.

This is the fishing and hunting country which knows no "off" season. All this plus a magnificent coastline for salt-water angling addicts with picturesque open waters, bays and inlets for the man who thrills to cruising or sailing . . . 2500 miles of seacoast with a never ending variety of fascinating scenes.

The material for this publication was prepared by Bud Leavitt, Outdoor Editor of The Bangor Daily News.

His fishing and hunting beat ranges from Canada to Cuba. Bud recently finished tenth in the World Series of Sport Fishing in a field of forty contestants from eleven nations and fifteen states.

He was honored recently at Catawba College, Salisbury, N. C. by being named "Sports-writer of The Year" for the State of Maine.



boating regulations

Life here is relaxed, and in the main, free of restricting regulations and controls. But, since safety is so important to us all, the following State laws must be observed:



Boats propelled with machinery exceeding ten horsepower must be registered and assigned a number if operated on Maine waters for more than three days. A license is good for a three-year period before a new number is issued. Boats owned by non-residents which are already registered in another state need not be registered in Maine if the craft is not operated for more than ninety successive days.



Every boat is required to have a light aboard to make the craft known when operated in non-daylight hours.



No boat shall be operated by a person under the influence of intoxicating liquors.



No person under the age of twelve shall operate an engine-powered craft with power in excess of ten horsepower unless under the immediate supervision of another person in excess of sixteen years of age.

The above regulations are stated in general terms. Boat operators are advised to consult with the nearest Fish and Game Warden for complete information on Maine's inland boating laws.

SALT WATER

SPECIES	LOCATION	SEASON
Cod	Whole coast	Year around
Flounders	Whole coast, shoal water in- lets and coves	Year around
Mackerel	Whole Coast	June through October
Pollock	Whole coast, tide rips, harbors	May through October
Atlantic Salmon	Penobscot River, Washington County Rivers	See Footnote*
Haddock	Whole coast	Year around
Striped Bass	Rivers and beaches, whole coast.	May through October
Giant Tuna	Coast east to Monhegan Is- land. Casco Bay area	July through September

FISHING

BAITS & LURES

Clams, herring or most any bait

Clams, squid, sea worms

Small jigs with chum, flies, streamers, small bait

Flies, jigs, spinners, spoons and feather lures, handline.

Six to seven-ounce rod. English type salmon flies.

Most any bait

Sea worms, eels and eel skins, squid, herring. Plugs, spinners, spoons and flies.

Sewed bait, whole mackerel, whiting, large feathered lures.

METHODS

Deep water handline, surf casting.

Still fishing, wharves, boats, pier.

Trolling, chumming, fly and bait casting.

Casting from boat. Still fishing.

Fly casting, waders necessary for eastern rivers.

Handline or rod and reel.

Surf casting. Casting from boats in rivers. Bag limit six fish per day.

Heavy tackle only. Trolling or chumming.

SALT WATER

SPECIES	LOCATION	SEASON
School Tuna	Coast east to Monhegan Island. Casco Bay area	July through September
Halibut	Sand or gravel bottoms. Deep water	Summer months
Cusk	Any established fishing grounds Whole coast	Year around
Tinker Mackerel	Whole coast	Summer months
Harbor Pollock	Whole coast	Summer months
Cunners	Whole coast	Summer months
Small Flounders	Whole coast	Summer months

*Atlantic Salmon can be taken at the Bangor Salmon Pool from April 1st until July 15th. Narraguagus River season, May 1st to September 1st. Dennys River season, April 1st to September 1st.

FISHING

BAITS & LURES

METHODS

Whole mackerel or
whiting.
Feathered lures.

Trolling or chumming.
Medium tackle.

Clams, herring, small
mackerel.

Heavy handline

Clams and herring

Handline

Clams, mussels, jigs,
and small streamer flies.

Light tackle,
light handline,
from coves,
inlets, wharves,
ledges and small
boats. Best on
incoming tides.

For the fishing above tide water
a license must be obtained.



STATE PARKS

within reach of all . . .

State and National Parks offer the recreationist excellent facilities.

Parks operate camp grounds and boating facilities. Two of the most famous are in the coastal areas, Acadia National Park (Mt. Desert Island) and Reid State Park in Georgetown.

Seacoast and state parks that are open to the motor-
ing and general public include:

Acadia National Park.....Bar Harbor

Baxter State Park.....Millinocket

Aroostook State Park.....Presque Isle

Lamoine State Park.....Ellsworth

Lake St. George Park.....Liberty

Lily BayMoosehead

Sebago LakeNaples

Mt. BlueWeld

Reid State Park.....Georgetown

*(Check the official Maine Highway Map for
directions and exact entrance locations.)*

Canoe Trips



You'll Remember

Maine sportsmen have long boasted of the many canoe trips that may be enjoyed within Maine's wonderful inland waterways.

These we suggest to you. Estimated distance and recommended time required to enjoy nature's bountiful wonders in deep woods and thrilling waters:

	Suggested Days Required	Length in Miles
St. John River	24	205
East Branch, Penobscot	14	118
Allagash River	8-30	148
Kennebec River	15	125
St. Croix River	12	96
Grand Lake—Machias	12	75
Moose River	2	30
Penobscot	6	82
Fish River Chain	2-12	22-94

(Check with local inland fish and game wardens for regulations with respect to fishing and camping; forestry service personnel, fire permits.)

Pleasure Bent Americans

this year will be whacking more golf balls, pitching more tents, diving into more pools and firing at more game than ever before. This is no spring fever fantasy. Testifying to the happy outlook are the hefty capital outlays going into boat marinas, tourist camp sites and a bumper crop of aching muscles.

Americans are on the move and the State of Maine is certain to ride the crest of the wave of increased tourism.

The following sites are listed as a convenience to boaters who will want public launching sites during the boating months.

TOWN	ROUTE	AREA	WATER
Acton	109		Mousam Lake
Acton	109		Square Pond
East Boothbay	96		Linekin Bay
Camden	105		Megunticook Lake
Cape Elizabeth	77	Crescent Beach	Atlantic Ocean
Center Lovell	5	The Narrows	Kezar Lake
Falmouth	88	Town Landing 6	Casco Bay
Fryeburg	5	Walkers Bridge	Saco River
Greenville	15	Lily Bay	Moosehead
Greenville	15	Lincoln Street	Moosehead
Greenville	15	West Street	Moosehead
Goodwins Mills	35		Kennebunk Pond
Hartland	43	Moore's Lumber Shop	Great Moose Lake

TOWN	ROUTE	WATER
Lincolntonville Beach	1	Penobscot Bay
North Hollis	117	Deer Pond
Rockland	17	Chickawaukie Pond
Sebago Lake Station	35	Sebago Lake
Sebago Lake State Park	35	Sebago Lake
Southport	27	Cosy Harbor

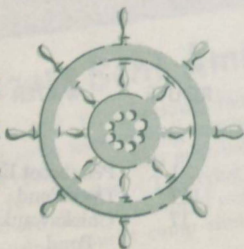


Maine has over 2500 lakes, ponds and streams—with 85 per cent of this total not claiming public launching and landing sites.

Privately owned beaches, wharves or ramps, i. e. Hanson's (Branch Pond); Jenkin's (Green Lake); Gartley's (Beaver Creek, Moosehead), does not limit a boater's freedom of trailering to the numerous, boatable waters.

When in doubt, a telephone call or personal visit to the nearest Fish and Game Warden will usually provide detailed information on available landing sites.

**Famous
Maine
Harbors**



**For Cruising
Salt Water
Fishing**

PENOBSCOT BAY REGION

Northwest Harbor, Deer Isle; Bucks Harbor, South Brooksville; North Haven, North Haven Island; Oronington; Penobscot River; Bangor, Penobscot River; Riches Cover, Isle Au Haut Thorofare; Carvers Harbor, Vinalhaven Island; Centre Harbor, Brooklin; Naskeag Harbor, Eggemoggin Reach; Billings Cove, Sargentville; Stonington Harbor, Deer Isle; Gilkey Harbor, Isleboro, Long Island; Belfast Harbor; Castine Harbor; Camden Harbor; Rockport Harbor; Benjamin River; Sedgwick; Head Harbor, North Haven Island; Point Lookout, Isle Au Haunt; Bucksport, Penobscot River; Sylvester Cove, Deer Isle.

BOOTHBAY-MUSCONGUS REGION

Georges Harbor; Sheepscot River; Ebenecook Harbor, Muscongus Bay; Muscongus Island, East Cove; Otter Island Harbor; Cape Newagen; Sheepscot River; Port Clyde Harbor; Pleasant Point Gut; Thomaston; Tenants Harbor; Criehaven Harbor, Ragged Island; Round Pond; South Bristol Harbor; Little River; Matinicus Harbor; Monhegan Island Harbor; Burnt Island Harbor; MacMahan Island, Sheepscot River; Wiscasset, Sheepscot River; Town-

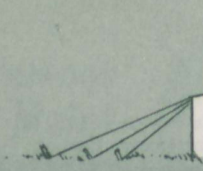
send Gut; Boothbay Harbor; Damariscove Harbor; Linekin Neck; Christmas Cove; Muscongus Harbor, Muscongus Bay; Marsh Harbor; Pemaquid Harbor; New Harbor; Greenland Cove.

BLUEHILL, MOUNT DESERT, FRENCHMAN'S BAY REGIONS

Northeast Harbor; Salisbury Cove; Winter Harbor; Frenchman's Bay; Bar Harbor, Mount Desert Island; Sullivan River, Frenchman's Bay; Flanders Bay, Frenchman's Bay; Stave Island Harbor, Frenchman's Bay; Buckle Harbor, Swan's Island; Bass Harbor, Mount Desert Island; Southwest Harbor, Mount Desert Island; Seal Harbor, Mount Desert Island; Bluehill Harbor; Burnt Coat Harbor, Swan's Island; Skilling River, Frenchman's Bay; Mackerel Cove, Swan's Island.

COASTAL WASHINGTON COUNTY REGION

Starboard Creek, Machias Bay; Lubec Harbor; Birch Harbor; Milbridge Harbor; Moose Snare Cove, Roque Island; Prospect Harbor; Eastport Harbor; Bucks Harbor, Machias Bay; The Cowyard; Machiasport; East Machias Harbor; Cutler Harbor; Haycock Harbor; Calais Harbor and Schooner Cove; Indian Harbor, Corea; Gouldsboro Bay; Smelt Brook, Dyer Bay; Trafton Island Harbor; Northeast Cove, Dyer Island; Pigeon Hill Bay; Douglas Island Harbor; Harrington River; Pleasant River; Cape Split Harbor; Head Harbor; Jonesport Harbor; Roque Bluff Anchorage; Little Kennebec Bay; Mistake Harbor; Shorey Cove, Roque Island.



Camping and

Name

Town

Route

Hermit Island Campgrounds	Smallpoint	216
Virginia Park	Old Orchard	5
Barcadia Tent & Trailer Grounds	Trenton	3
Lookout Campgrounds	Hulls Cove	3
Millstream Campgrounds	Winter Harbor	186
Rainbow Cottages	Belfast	1
Tunk Lake Camps	Cherryfield	182
Frenchman's Bay Tent Camp	Franklin	182
Brassua Lake Camps	Rockwood	15
Clary Lake Campgrounds	Jefferson	126
Montsweag Farm Tenting Area	Woolwich	1
Mount Desert Campgrounds	Mt. Desert	198
Sebago Basin Tenting Area	No. Windham	302
Vacationland Camp Site	Harrison	117
Wild Acres	Old Orchard	5
Tent Village	Newport	2
Tamarack Tent Camp	Richmond	201
Sunset Pass Tenting Grounds	Winthrop	off 202
Saco River Campgrounds	Fryeburg	5
Nason Beach Tenting Area	No. Sebago	11
Rangeley Manor Campgrounds	Rangeley	4 & 16
Green Valley Park	Vassalboro	near 32
Camp Eaton	York Harbor	1A
Island Shores Campground	Islesboro	Island

Tenting Grounds

	Lake	Ocean	No Camp Sites	Swimming	Boats	Play Facilities	Drinking Water	Electricity	Toilets	Store
		x	230	x	x	x	x		x	on grounds
		x	200	x		x	x	x	x	½ mile
		x	200	x		x	x	x	x	near
		x	22	x		x	x		x	900 feet
		near	15				x		x	200 yards
		x	50	x	x		x	x	x	2 miles
x			75	x	x	x	x	x	x	on grounds
		x	50	x		x	x	x	x	on grounds
x			20	x	x		x		x	2½ miles
x			25	x	x	x	x		x	2 miles
			10				x		x	4 miles
		x	150	x	x	x	x	x	x	½ mile
near			50	x		x	x	x	x	near
x			200	x	x	x	x	x	x	2 miles
		near	200			x	x	x	x	2 miles
x			15	x	x		x	x	x	2 miles
x			25	x	x	x	x	x	x	½ mile
x			20	x	x	x	x	x	x	3½ miles
river			24	x	x		x	x	x	3 miles
x			60	x			x		x	near
x			50	x	x	x	x	x	x	1 mile
x			50	x	x	x	x	x	x	on grounds
		x	250	x	x	x	x	x	x	on grounds
		x	4	x	x	x	x		x	1 mile

Good Places to go Fishing in Maine



*(the fish are there . . .
it's up to you to catch them)*

Puffs Pond (Dexter) BT; Hill Brook (Carmel, Newburg) BT; Dead Stream (Charleston and Corinth) BT; Wassookeag Lake (Dexter) T, BT; Reed Brook (Hampden) BT; Fitts Pond (Clifton) BT; Kenduskeag Stream (Garland, Corinth) BT; Emerson Brook (Levant) BT; Hopkins Pond, (Clifton, Maria-ville) T, BT; Meadow Brook (Eddington) BT; Center Brook (Dixmont) BT; Olamon Stream (Greenfield) BT; Sunkhaze Stream (Greenfield) BT; Madagascal Stream (Burlington) BT; Lancaster Brook (Glenburn) BT; Toddy Lake (Orland) S; Torry Pond (Deer Island) LB; Green Lake (Dedham) S, SB; Indian Camp Stream (Amherst) BT; Swan Lake (Swanville) BT, Brown T, S, SS, SB, WP;

Sandy Stream (Unity) BT; Half Moon Stream (Thorndike) BT; Sandy Pond (Freedom) LB; Marsh Stream (Winterport) BT; St. George Pond (Liberty) Brown T; Sheepscot Lake (Palermo) S; Bartlett Stream (Searsmont) BT; Creamery Brook (Troy) BT; Phillips Lake (Dedham) S, BT, T, SB; Alligator Lake (T-3 R-4, T-2 R-8) S, BT; Beech Hill Pond, (Otis) T, S; Branch Lake (Ellsworth) BT, S, SB, Brown T; Donnell Pond (Franklin) S; Union River Brook (Amherst) BT, SB; Chemo Pond, (Clifton) SB, P, WP; Moosehead Lake (Greenville) S, BT, T; Young Pond (Otis) BT, Brown T; Pushaw Pond (Glenburn) WP, SB, P; Narraguagus River, Dennys River, Pleasant River, Penobscot River, East Machias and Machias, Atlantic Salmon; China Lake (China, Vassalboro) BT, Brown T.



Sport fishermen, should the above waters prove non-productive, may take easy in knowing that the Maine Fisheries and Game Department planted a total of 3,096,660 specimens in the State's waters in 1959.



If you find it rather slow fishing this year, then perhaps your wounds will be healed in knowing that Maine's waters were enriched by 1,747,734 brook trout, 246,800 brown trout; 140,592 lake trout (or natively named, togue); 849,012 landlocked salmon; 129 smallmouth bass; 5,000 white perch; 75,000 largemouth bass and 32,344 brook trout.

(Key: BT, brook trout; S, landlocked salmon; SB, smallmouth bass; LB, largemouth bass; P, pickerel; WP, white perch; Brown T, brown trout; T, togue; SS, sockeye salmon.

So this is the story of Maine?

Oh, no . . . this is just the beginning of the never ending story of Maine . . . Vacationland. And yet a full lifetime would not suffice to enjoy in fullness all the outdoor recreation mentioned here.

There's hunting in the autumn — winter sports, too. Each season of the year ushers in its own species of sports and recreation with abundant opportunity for all to enjoy his favorite form of relaxation.

We love it here in Maine . . . get out and play in the great outdoors . . . *you'll learn to love Maine, too.*



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