

JORDAN POND

Mount Desert Twp., Hancock Co.
U.S.G.S. Southwest Harbor, Maine (7½')

Fishes

Landlocked salmon	Fallfish(chub)
Lake trout(togue)	White sucker
Brook trout	Banded killifish
Rainbow smelt	Threespine stickleback
Minnnows	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Golden shiner	American eel
Common shiner	
Redbelly dace	

Physical Characteristics

Area - 187 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 68 °F
Maximum depth - 150 feet	120 feet - 41 °F
Principal fishery - Lake trout, salmon	

Jordan Pond is a picturesque water located within Acadia National Park on Mount Desert Island. Steep mountainsides border the pond's western and eastern shores, and water depths drop rapidly to 40-60 feet just a short distance from shore. A good public boat launch exists near the outlet.

The clear, well-oxygenated water provides ideal habitat for coldwater sportfish. Lake trout were stocked throughout the 1970's-1980's, but around 1990, anglers reported catching increased numbers of unmarked fish. This was an indication that natural reproduction was increasing, and the stocking program was terminated in 1991. Wild lake trout are

currently so numerous that a special, liberalized harvest regulation has been adopted to "thin out" some of the abundant 16-20 in fish. The regulation is: minimum length limit on togue: 14 in; daily bag limit on togue: 3 fish.

Salmon growth has varied widely from excellent to poor. In years when smelt are abundant, this pond has grown some 3-4 lb salmon. Recently, salmon growth has been sub-par, necessitating a curtailment in stocking. In an effort to bolster the depleted smelt population, biologists transferred a large number of smelt eggs into the pond in the spring of 1999.

As is the case with a number of MDI waters, outboards of more than 10 horsepower are prohibited.

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ELEV. 271 FT. AREA 187 ACRES

