

PORTER POND
T3 ND, Hancock Co.
U.S.G.S. Niatous Lake

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)	Minnows
White sucker	Creek chub
Redbreast sunfish	Pearl dace
Pumpkinseed sunfish	Common shiner

Physical Characteristics

Area - 58 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 74° F.
Maximum depth - 13 feet	13 feet - 72° F.

Principal Fishery: Brook trout

Porter Pond is a small pond located northwest of Niatous Lake. The pond is surrounded by spruce and fir forest with some cedar trees close to the pond. Blueberry bushes and pine trees grow along the east side. The cove on the west end is shallow and supports a growth of emergent aquatic vegetation. Many large rocks are scattered along the shoreline and on the bottom of the pond. Some of these rocks in the pond reach near to or rise above the surface of the water. The shoreline is generally shallow and muddy except in the area of the large rocks where the shore drops off quickly.

Despite very warm water temperatures there is a native trout population in Porter Pond. There must be some areas in the pond where spring influence keeps the water cool enough for the trout during the summer.

There are no tributaries and the shallow outlet flows among large rocks with no definite channel for about one-eighth mile before entering a boggy area.

Because of marginal water quality, light fishing pressure and native trout population stocking is not recommended.

An old logging road leads to Porter Pond from the Niatous Lake road. However, the bridge over Niatous Stream has deteriorated and the remains are passable only on foot or by snowmobile during the wintertime.

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