

HORSESHOE POND
T8 R10, Piscataquis Co.
U. S. G. S. First Roach Pond, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

Physical Characteristics

Area - 160 acres

Temperatures

Maximum depth - 35 feet

Surface - 71° F.

35 feet - 55° F.

Horseshoe is an excellent trout pond that has become accessible and popular within the last few years. It is only a short distance from the town of Greenville, and a good car road takes you within a few minutes walk from the pond. A 4-wheel drive vehicle can be driven to the shore.

Horseshoe has the characteristics of the better trout ponds. It will produce many good catches as long as no additional species are introduced, and the regulations are stringent enough to keep the total catch less than the annual production.

The spawning area is somewhat limited. The small inlet and the outlet are both suitable for trout spawning and they should be kept free of obstructions at all times.

The deepest water has a deficiency of oxygen in late summer. The trout are limited to the upper 25 feet of water at that time. The pond is generally cool however, and the trout can use the shallow areas most of the year. It is the shallow areas of a pond that produce the food.

The trout of Horseshoe pond feed on insects, tiny shrimp, water fleas, and upon one another. This diet is reflected in the beautiful coloration and deep pink flesh of the fish.

The use of live fish for bait should be prohibited in Horseshoe and in the ponds and tributaries above it (Pearl, Grassy etc.). The pond is adequately protected with the present fly-fishing-only law and the 10 fish county limit.

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