



**MIDAS # 4082**  
**HORSESHOE POND**

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27 ACRES



ONE TENTH MILE

# HORSESHOE POND

Chase Stream Twp., Somerset County  
U.S.G.S. Black Brook Pond, Maine (7½')

## Fishes

Brook trout

Minnows

Redbelly dace

Finescale dace

Creek chub

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 27 acres

Temperatures:

Maximum depth - 29 feet

Surface - 73°F

25 feet - 46°F

Principal fisheries: Brook trout

Horseshoe Pond is located among a cluster of ponds west of the Kennebec River gorge. Two inlets enter the north end from Island and Round Ponds and its outlet flows southeast into Dead Stream. The pond's shoreline is undeveloped.

Water quality in Horseshoe Pond is marginal for coldwater gamefish. Oxygen levels get critically low in the cool, deeper water during the warm summer months. Despite these conditions a population of native brook trout survives and maintains a fishery. Small areas of spawning habitat are utilized in the pond's inlet. Trout growth is good with only light competition from other fish species. The pond is not stocked.

Horseshoe Pond is accessible via foot trails from a series of gravel logging roads off the Capitol Road. The pond is open to fly fishing only in the open water season and closed to ice fishing. See the lawbook for additional regulations.

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