Forget Me. Not: The Great State of Maine State Parks

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12. Peaks-Kenny State Park, Route # 153 from Dover-Foxcroft, on 6,000 acre Sebec Lake, surrounded by forest land and mountains. Fish for pickerel, small mouth bass and perch, but best for salmon, togue, trout.


14. Quoddy Head State Park, 4 mi. off Rt. # 189 at Lubec. Easternmost point of land and lighthouse in U. S.; camera fan's delight with rock ledges rising from the ocean 50 feet or more tapering to 190 feet and crowned with spruce and fir. Greatest tides in the nation, ranging 20 to 28 feet.

15. Rangeley State Park, Rt. #17 from Rumford or #4 from Farmington. Excellent for trout and landlocked salmon. Photographers will find some of the most beautiful scenery in the country. Ski country -- which means mountains -- to see, climb, or photo. Concrete ramp, floating docks, flushes, hot-water showers. 207-864-3858.

16. Reid State Park, Rt. #127 from Woolwich, 14 miles to park sign. Nearly a mile-and-a-half of sand beaches, and a mixture of dunes, marshes, ledges, and ocean, plus a warm salt water pool for the little folk; bathhouses with fresh water showers; tables, fireplaces, sea food at the snack-bar, and ample parking (except on a hot summer Sunday).

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17. Sebago Lake State Park, off U. S. #302, between Naples and S. Casco. Casco area: extensive sand beaches, tables, stoves, ramp, lifeguard, bathhouses. Naples area: for camping, also has excellent beaches, buoy lines to separate boating from swim area. Amphitheater with scheduled programs and ranger conducted hikes on nature-trails. Songo Lock: permits a boat trip from Sebago, up Songo River, through the lock into Brandy Pond and Long Lake. 207-693-2742.

18. Two Lights State Park, off Rt. #77, Cape Elizabeth. Picnic along the rocky, steep shoreline with a marvelous view of Casco Bay and the open Atlantic. Ledge fishing. Swim at nearby Crescent Beach State Park.

19. Warren Island State Park, by boat only, on a spruce-covered island in Penobscot Bay, with docking and mooring facilities on the lee side for protection. Sleep aboard your boat, or moor it and come ashore to picnic or camp in a park shelter or your own tent.

20. Allagash Wilderness Waterway, famed as a canoe trip, and open for public use, the Waterway is definitely wilderness area, and is administered by the State Park and Recreation Commission primarily to preserve this wilderness character. If you plan to visit the Allagash or make the canoe journey, write: State Park & Recreation Commission.

21. Baxter State Park: "mile high" Mt. Katahdin towers above this vast woodland wilderness preserve. Excellent fishing and mountain climbing, and 75 miles of trails to hike in a wild game preserve. Camping restricted to designated sites or campgrounds. Reservations are recommended and must be paid in advance and confirmed; contact reservation clerk, Millinocket, Me.; 207-723-5201.

This Vacation Planner is a profile of State Parks in Maine. It has been prepared to assist you in basic planning and to provide you with sources of specific information.

One in a series of Vacation Planners programmed by the Maine Department of Economic Development, available from 78 Gateway Circle, Portland, Maine 04102. Prospective visitors to Maine are interested in the "facts"; and these brochures are designed with this in mind. We would appreciate receiving your comments.

Please write: Maine Department of Economic Development State Office Building, Augusta, Maine 04330.
Outdoor Recreation Lures in Maine

Rockbound coast—sweeping beaches...scenic views...offshore islands and ragged peninsulas...mountains...lakes and ponds...forest covered wilderness, as far as the eye can see.

Much of the natural beauty of Maine is displayed in an expanding network of state parks—and Maine is opening new ones every year.

Together, these parks offer recreational opportunities to fit every taste in the out of doors.

Camping areas, picnic sites, nature trails for hiking...areas with special appeal for rock hounds...amphitheaters for summer programs...boat launching ramps on some of Maine’s largest and most beautiful lakes...salt water and inland fishing.

And Maine offers two magnificent wilderness areas...200,000 acres in the famed Allagash Wilderness Waterway for real white water canoeing, and 200,000 more in Baxter State Park where majestic Mount Katahdin “in it’s grandeur will forever remain the mountain of the people of Maine!” (administered by Baxter Park Authority)

The Maine State Park and Recreation Commission invites you to visit its many facilities and wishes you a pleasant vacation.

Lawrence Stuart
Director
Maine State Park and Recreation Commission

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Outdoor Recreation Lures in Maine

Park Name | Location | Open Dates
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Aroostook | Presque Isle | May 15 to Oct. 15
Baxter Mountain | Mount Katahdin | May 1 to Sept. 15
Crescent Beach | Cape Elizabeth | Dec. 15 to Apr. 15
Grafton Notch | Grafton | May 15 to Oct. 15
Lake St. George | Liberty | May 1 to Nov. 1
Lamoine | Lamoine | May 15 to Oct. 15
Searsport, Maine | Searsport | May 15 to Oct. 15

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4. Cobscook Bay State Park, on U.S. #1 south of Dennysville, on the bay whose Indian name “Cobscook” translates to “boiling tide” which describes the constantly changing water level. Nearby day-trips to Quoddy Head, Moosehorn National Wildlife Refuge, and Franklin D. Roosevelt International Park.

5. Crescent Beach State Park, on Rt. #77, Cape Elizabeth. Bahe in the surf or the sun at one of Maine’s finest beaches. Bathhouse with showers. Nearby Two Lights State Park providing more facilities for cook-out and picnics.

6. Grafton Notch State Park, Rt. #26 between Upton and Newry. Scenic area with panoramic view, plus Screw Auger Falls, Mother Walker Falls, Old Spock Mountain and Moose Cave. The Appalachian Trail goes through this park.


9. Lily Bay State Park, north of Greencastle (no route #). On the shore of 40-mile-long Moosehead Lake, on the edge of the north-country wilderness region, and surrounded by picturesque mountains and evergreen forests. Excellent for brook trout, salmon and lake trout (togue).

10. Moose Point State Park, on U.S. #1 between Belfast and Searsport, a quiet, cool place for cook-out, picnic, or to relax in an evergreen grove or open field with a scenic view of Penobscot Bay.

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