

GREAT POND

Great Pond Plt., Hancock Co.
U.S.G.S. Great Pond, ME (7 1/2')

Fishes

Landlocked salmon	Minnows
Brown trout	Fallfish(chub)
Brook trout	White sucker
Rainbow smelt	Hornpout(bullhead)
Smallmouth bass	Sunfish
Yellow perch	American eel
Chain pickerel	

Physical Characteristics

Area- 679 acres	Temperatures
	Surface- 71°F
Maximum depth- 34 feet	33 feet- 59°F

Principal fisheries: Brown trout,
smallmouth bass, chain pickerel

Great Pond is reached by turning north off Route 9 in Aurora onto the "Great Pond road." The pond is located at the end of the road adjacent to Dow Pines. A good public boat launching site is available.

Although this pond is primarily known for its warmwater fisheries, stocked brown trout have provided a satisfactory fishery in recent years. The pond was initially stocked with surplus brown trout in 1984. Angler reports indicated that this stocking had produced good results. The pond is now stocked annually, and has produced some

3-3 1/2 pound brown trout. It's likely that wild brown trout contribute to the fishery as both Main Stream and the outlet(the West Branch of the Union River) contain sections of good quality spawning and nursery habitat.

Pickerel and smallmouth bass provide good fisheries. Pickerel are fairly abundant and average 16-17 inches in length. Winter anglers make good catches of this sportfish along with some 9-11 inch yellow perch. The bass fishery is attractive, at least in part because it is characterized by reasonably good numbers of 15-18 inch fish. Sections of Main Stream provide good bass fishing in late May-early June.

Interestingly, Great Pond also supports limited fisheries for wild salmon and brook trout. Generally, angler catches of these sportfish are insignificant, although an occasional 2-3 pound salmon or 1 pound brook trout is caught.

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