Aroostook State Park

Aroostook State Park is known as the ‘Crown of Maine’ and is renowned for its pristine forests. The County has also been known for generations of residents. In the early fall of 1939, the Presque Isle Fish & Game Association provided the seed for the first 100 acres of land in Quincy for Maine (Quaggy) or Lake Eire Park. The Maine Fish & Game Association (MFWA) had been formed, which in turn, issued the first license to the citizens of Quaggy. Quincy, a lake named in the heart of the winter season, ‘Quaggy Jo’ which translates to ‘rude people’.

Aroostook County Region

Aroostook State Park is a short driving distance from the Northeast Mountains, the Allegany Wilderness, and the Canadian provinces of New Brunswick and Quebec. Regional Destinations include:
- Allegany Wilderness,...

Visitor Rules

Camping: Camp only at established sites. Reservation available at www.reserveamerica.com.
- Fires: Wood fires only in campers and park open areas.
- Pets: Must be leashed, attended and under control. Clean up waste.
- Tents: Core only in tents.
- Firearms: No discharge weapon on site.
- Parking: Campers, campers, park open areas, marked biking trail or other developed areas. Limited areas are not permitted at campsites or on walking trails.
- Fishing: All those fishing must have a valid license and access to the state open water regulations. Anglers are asked to use local trails and enter to properly protect the trees, fish, and other wildlife. Never waste food!
- Power: Use of common in common areas.
- Quiet: Quiet in campers is essential between 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. Use of generators is prohibited between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. if the sound does not bother other visitors.

Winter Activities

Cross-country Skiing: Trail-side level is designated by color-marked trees:
- Blue: easy/mild trails with flat or gradually rolling terrain and good for those new to the sport, or those who expect some gradual gliding.
- Yellow: moderate/intermediate trails that have greater variation in terrain. For these trails, some gradual descents and climbs are expected, and they are generally popular with most ability levels.
- Red: challenging/advanced trails. BLENDING ON Uphill gradients and fast-paced gliding on steep downhill steeper to be expected for these trails.

Skiing and other trail disruptions on the map.

Sliding: For those young at heart, use the plastic sheet provided or bring your own. A sliding hill near the parking area is provided and ready for a fun snow-on-memory base.

Ice Skating: When conditions allow, on ice skating area is opened on the lake.

Winter Campground: A trained, licensed park staff is on-site to assist you in making arrangements (207-768-8341).

Lake View Campground Trail

Ten special sites are available at the park: Echo Lake, Quaggy Lake, Jordan Pond, Aroostook River, Lake C, Lake D, Lake E, Lake F, Lake G, and Lake H. Each site is a 200-acre lake, including beaches, woods, and wolf trails. Large breakouts can be found in spring for Echo Lake.

Regional Destinations

Aroostook State Park is an ideal starting point for discovering the North Maine Woods, the Allegany Wilderness, and the Canadian provinces of New Brunswick and Quebec. Regional Destinations include:
- Allegany Wilderness, a federally designated Wild and Scenic River, is a unique wilderness park which offers many opportunities for recreation.
- Downeast Public Lands, a camping area with well-marked sites, is open to visitors.
- Maine’s Natural Environment Museum, a fascinating, multi-purpose museum, is located near the Natural Bridges.
- The Maine Department of Environmental Protection, a park system, provides year-round recreation opportunities.
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Hiking Trails

If you are planning to hike the entire 0.1 mile hiking trail system, it is highly recommended that you begin by going up the South Peak Trail, then heading over to the North Peak Trail in a clockwise direction. It would not make sense to go up the South Peak Trail than it is to hike down.

- **Cedar Trail** (difficult, 0.2 mi), follows an intermittent brook that starts from the top of the mountain and flows through the gorge. Access: Near the start of the South Peak Trail or along the Ridge Trail.

- **Notch Trail** (easy, 0.1 mi), starts from the parking lot, enters through a forest plantation and a forest management area on a neighboring farm.

- **Quaggy Jo Mountain Trail** (intermediate, 1.5 mi), meanders along the edge between North and South Peaks through a variety of soil, terrain, and vegetation. Access: From the north end of the parking lot, or on the campground road.

- **Snowshoeing Trails** (difficult, 0.4 mi), a steep and rugged trail. It is a good forested path for a hike up to the peak.

Cross-country Ski Trails

- **Beach Trail** (easy, 0.3 mi), starts at the beach and ends through a forest plantation and a forest management area on a neighboring farm.

- **Sheep Trail** (easy, 0.1 mi), starts at the campground and ends through a forest plantation and a forest management area on a neighboring farm.

- **Old Beacon Trail** (easy, 0.1 mi), starts from the parking lot, ends through a forest plantation and a forest management area on a neighboring farm.

Snowmobile Trail

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