On all trails, wear sturdy footwear, carry water and extra layers, and take care near cliffs—particularly in damp and slippery conditions. If traveling to Mt. Kineo via the boat shuttle in Rockwood, confirm departure times before hiking and gauge plans accordingly.

Mt. Kineo State Park is not accessible by road. Most visitors arrive via a commercial boat shuttle from Rockwood (a crossing of 0.8 miles) that operates during summer. From the boat landing on Mt. Kineo, turn left and follow the shoreline path leading past Hardscrabble Point to the Carriage Trail. The walk of the peninsula on the trails listed below is 4.2-5 miles; allow 3 hours in good conditions. The Mt. Kineo summit has a converted fire tower (used until about 1960 by the Maine Forest Service) with an observation deck that offers 360-degree views.

Indian Trail (0.9 miles to summit from Carriage Trail) climbs steeply along open ledge to the summit;

Bridle Trail (1 mile to summit from Carriage Trail) provides a less steep route to the summit for hikers, from second intersection off the Carriage Trail;

Carriage Trail (2.2 miles from boat landing to Hardscrabble Point) follows the west shore of the peninsula;

North Trail (1.9 miles from Hardscrabble Point to summit) provides a more gradual ascent up the eastern side of the peninsula.

Little Kineo offers a primitive trail in a remote setting. Hikers enjoy a relatively easy hike with great views in many directions from several open ledges. The trail to the summit is 0.9 miles, one-way.

Snowmobile and ATV Trails:

Shared-use roads provide access for ATVing, snowmobiling, horseback riding, and mountain biking. Roads that have designated recreational uses are signed as shared-use. These and trails specific to ATV and Snowmobile use are noted on the map. Road users should be prepared to encounter both pedestrians and vehicles. The Bureau does not encourage snowmobiling on lakes because of potential hazards.

For maps and additional information about ATVing and Snowmobiling contact the Bureau’s Off-road Recreational Vehicle Office at (207) 287-4957. Within Maine Only: 1-800-462-1019.

Moosehead Lake Shoreline Public Lands

Other Points of Interest

- Baxter State Park, with more than 200,000 acres and 46 mountain peaks, provides access for hiking, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing. Baxter State Park is home to the Appalachian Trail, which spans over 2,190 miles from Georgia to Maine. Baxter is one of the most popular destinations for hikers in the state.

- Moosehead Lake (also known as Moosehead Lake) is the largest lake in Maine and the 12th largest lake in the United States. It is home to many species of fish, including lake trout, salmon, and pickerel.

- Moosehead Lake is located in the heart of Maine's North Woods region, which is known for its rugged beauty and outdoor recreational opportunities.

- Moosehead Lake is a popular destination for boating, fishing, and other water-related activities. The lake is home to many species of fish, including lake trout, salmon, and pickerel.

- The Moosehead Lake shoreline is home to a variety of wildlife, including deer, moose, and bear. Visitors to the area are encouraged to respect the natural environment and avoid disturbing wildlife.