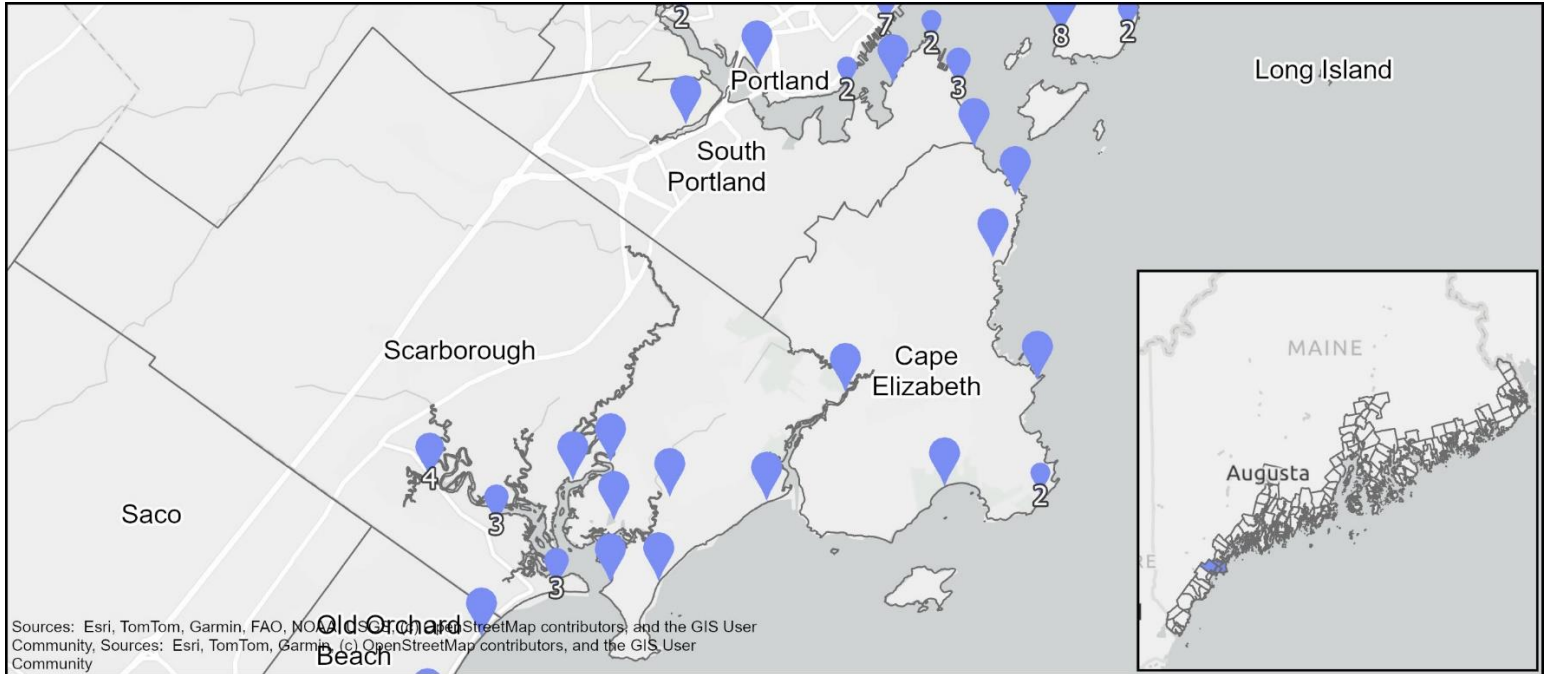




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Scarborough Marsh from the Blue Point Preserve. Photo: Melissa Britsch

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## Blue Point Preserve, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5524, -70.3559



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This 14 acre preserve hosts 0.9 miles of trails in a loop with two short overlook trails that provide excellent views of Scarborough Marsh. The property was protected in 2019. Dogs are allowed but must be leashed at all times. Access is from Seavey Landing Road and a small parking lot can be found at the trailhead; the lot closes at dusk.



Photo Credit: Melissa Britsch

### PARKING

6-10 Cars  
0 Trailers  
0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

No Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
No Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
No Recreational Fishing  
Yes Hiking  
No Picnic Area  
No Grill  
No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
No Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

No Beach  
No Sand Dune  
No Harbor  
Yes Salt Marsh  
No Tidal River  
No Rocky Shore  
No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

No Trailer Launch  
No Hand Carry Launch  
NA Tidal Use  
No Pier/Wharf  
No Floating Dock  
No Tie-up spaces

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## Clay Pits/Nonesuch Boat Ramp, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5676, -70.3232



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### SITE DESCRIPTION

This concrete, half-tide state ramp is operated under lease by the municipality. It is located on the eastern side of a switchback loop of the Nonesuch River, which meanders through Scarborough Marsh and empties into the Scarborough River. Commercial fishermen prefer the ramp at Pine Point, so paddlers and recreational boaters may find it easier to find parking here. Limited parking is available with space for several trailers.



Photo Credit: Melissa Britsch

### PARKING

- 0 Cars
- 6-10 Trailers
- 1-5 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- Yes Recreational Fishing
- No Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- No Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- Yes Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- Yes Trailer Launch
- Yes Hand Carry Launch
- Part Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- Yes Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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## Dunstan Landing, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5630, -70.3722



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This site is a jumping-off spot leading into an enticing wildlife area, where visitors may see a hungry heron peering into a shallow pool before striking a fish with lightning speed, or hear red-winged blackbird sporting bright orange epaulets calling “Conk-la-ree! Hikers can head northwest on a half-mile trail through patches of scrub, coastal forest and salt marsh to the right-of-way at the end of Dunstan Landing Road; this trail parallels Cascade Brook, site of a habitat restoration project. Or, they can turn south on a trail that parallels Pine Point Rd and connects to Eastern Trail, which in turn crosses Scarborough Marsh. Boaters can hand-launch from the bank at high tide and explore either the brook or river. (Visitors should be aware that parts of the path in the middle of the marsh may occasionally be flooded.) Limited parking is available on the street’s shoulder.



Photo Credit: Brittney Nickerson

### PARKING

- 1-5 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- Yes Recreational Fishing
- Yes Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- No Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- Yes Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- Yes Hand Carry Launch
- Part Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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## Dunstan Landing Road Right-of-Way, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5658, -70.3796



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### SITE DESCRIPTION

This path at the end of Dunstan Landing Rd follows a road that in the 1800s crossed Scarborough Marsh to Pine Point Rd. The path quickly changes from asphalt to dirt as it becomes wilder. The lush, tangled growth and edge habitat between forest and marsh attract wading birds as well as migrating songbirds. Limited parking is available at the turn-around at the end.



Photo Credit: Brittney Nickerson

### PARKING

11-25 Cars  
0 Trailers  
0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

No Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
No Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
Yes Recreational Fishing  
No Hiking  
No Picnic Area  
No Grill  
No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
No Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

No Beach  
No Sand Dune  
No Harbor  
Yes Salt Marsh  
Yes Tidal River  
No Rocky Shore  
Yes Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

No Trailer Launch  
No Hand Carry Launch  
NA Tidal Use  
No Pier/Wharf  
No Floating Dock  
No Tie-up spaces

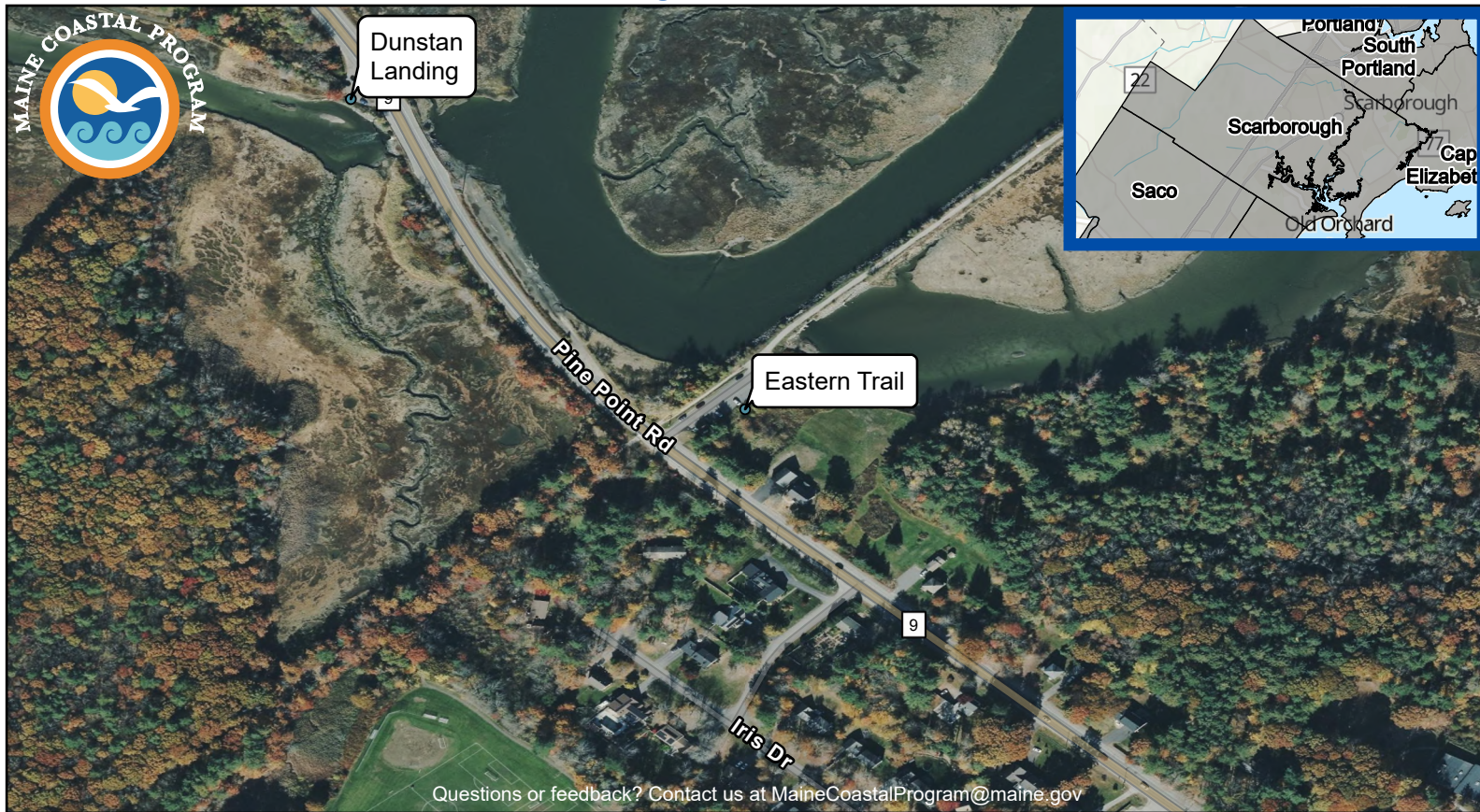
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## Eastern Trail, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5609, -70.3698



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This remarkable 2-mile footpath, which runs between Pine Point and Black Point Roads, takes visitors into the heart of Scarborough Marsh. People jog or bike here for a daily workout; birders stroll with binoculars in hand, scouting for a flick of the tail. The well-maintained, gravel surface is stroller- and wheelchair-friendly. Shore fishing along the path is especially popular during striper season when the “schoolies” (small stripers) find food that a dropping tide sweeps toward them. Leashed pets are allowed; visitors should abide by posted rules, which are designed to protect the Scarborough Wildlife Management Area. Parking is on-site. Paddlers can launch from the bank but may prefer to use the launch at the nearby Audubon Center.



Photo Credit: Brittney Nickerson

### PARKING

- 11-25 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- Yes Recreational Fishing
- Yes Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- No Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- Yes Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- Yes Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- Yes Hand Carry Launch
- Part Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

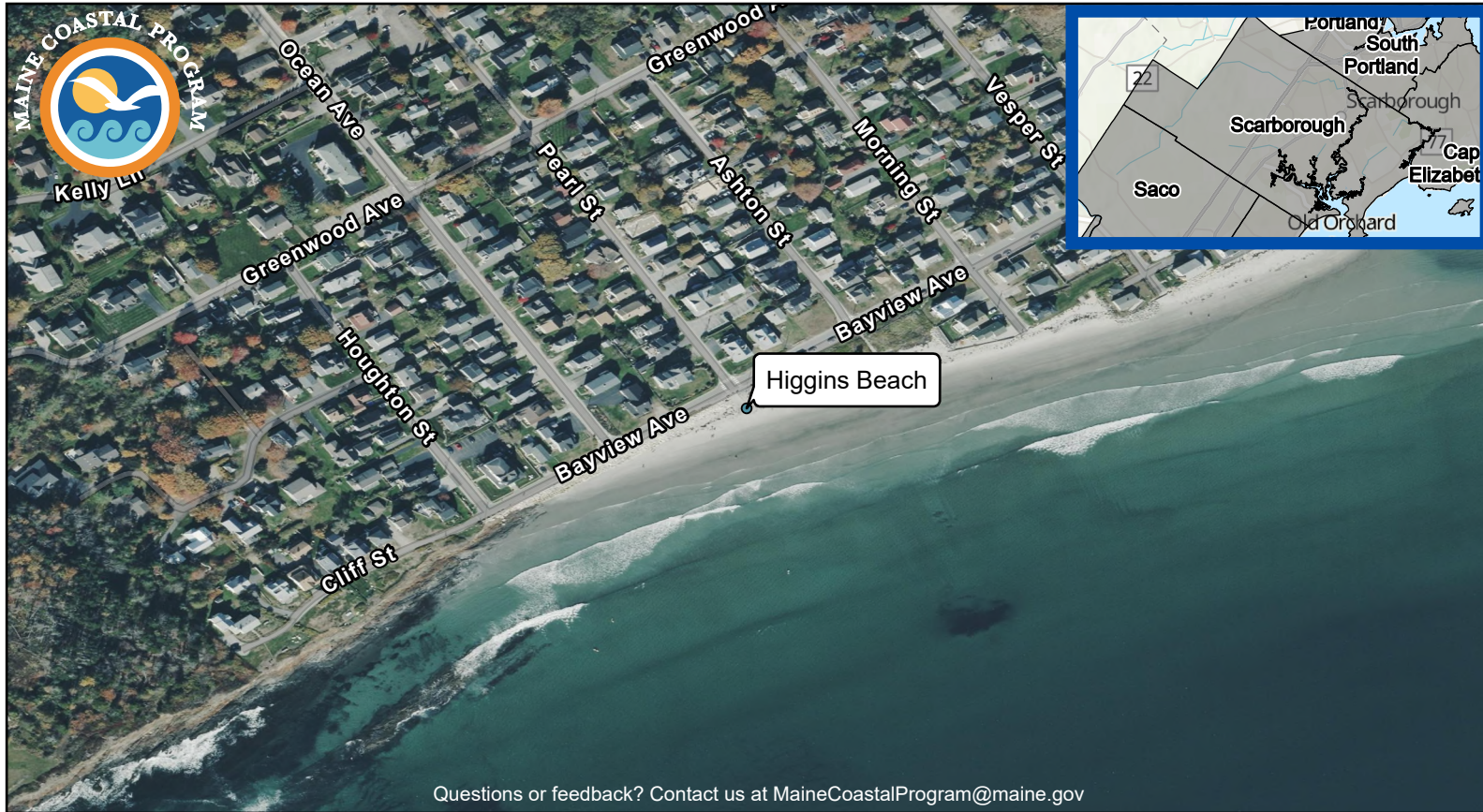
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## Higgins Beach, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5602, -70.2791



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### SITE DESCRIPTION

On a hot summer day this sand beach, maintained by the town and the Higgins Beach Association, is alive with family activity. Kites soar in the sky, balls bounce on the sand, toddlers squeal with delight, and teens park themselves on towels to sunbathe. Many people consider Higgins to be the best surfing beach in Maine, as waves set up far offshore and crest near land, but in summer surfing is not allowed from late morning through afternoon; when the activity is allowed, surfers must use leashes. Paddlers may launch small boats from the beach. Voice-controlled dogs are permitted from fall through late spring and for a few hours after sunrise during summer; leashed dogs are permitted in the evening. Toilets and showers are located in the parking lot year-round. Accessible parking is available in the Municipal Lot off Ocean Avenue (fee charged), as well as on-street spaces on Bay View Avenue (\$5 per hour and limited to one hour).



Photo Credit: Melissa Britsch

### PARKING

51-100 Cars  
0 Trailers  
1-5 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

Yes Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
Yes Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
Yes Recreational Fishing  
No Hiking  
No Picnic Area  
No Grill  
No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
No Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

Yes Beach  
Yes Sand Dune  
No Harbor  
No Salt Marsh  
Yes Tidal River  
Yes Rocky Shore  
No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

No Trailer Launch  
Yes Hand Carry Launch  
NA Tidal Use  
No Pier/Wharf  
No Floating Dock  
No Tie-up spaces

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## Libby River Preserve, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5607, -70.3064



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This 90-acre preserve hosts 1.24 miles of trails and is part of the larger Libby River Trail Network, including trails on Ketcha Outdoors and Piper Shores - The Meadows. The total network includes over 3 miles of trails. The Scarborough Land Trust property includes forest, wetland, and open fields. An observation deck overlooks the Libby River and Scarborough Marsh. Dogs must be leashed at all times. A small parking lot can be found off of Black Point Road/Route 207.

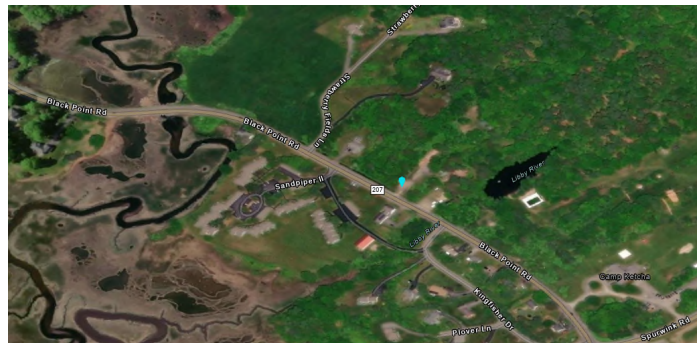


Photo Credit: NA

### PARKING

- 6-10 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- No Recreational Fishing
- Yes Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- No Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- Yes Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- No Hand Carry Launch
- NA Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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## Old Neck Landing, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5558, -70.3220



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This access leads to salt marsh and mudflats along the eastern part of Scarborough Wildlife Management Area. Birders, duck hunters and fishermen all use this access to enjoy abundant marsh wildlife. Minimal parking is available at the end of Old Neck Rd. A short gravel path at the intersection of Old Neck Road and Catherine Street leads to the shore, where paddlers can hand-carry, preferably at the top half of the tide.



Photo Credit: 2013 Maine Coastal Access Guide

### PARKING

- 1-5 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- Yes Recreational Fishing
- No Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- No Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- Yes Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- Yes Hand Carry Launch
- Part Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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## Pine Point Boat Launch, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5445, -70.3334



### SITE DESCRIPTION

Located along the western bank of the Scarborough River, these two full-tide, paved ramps (fee charged) flank a wide dock that allows fishermen to easily transfer gear and catch. This busy site launches commercial and recreational boats into the open Gulf of Maine. While fishing is not permitted from the dock, casting along the small beach is popular; birders and other visitors stroll along the sand, enjoying the birds and bustling atmosphere. There is a large parking area (room for many trailers) with seasonal public restrooms.



Photo Credit: NA

### PARKING

51-100 Cars  
26-50 Trailers  
1-5 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

Yes Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
No Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
Yes Recreational Fishing  
No Hiking  
No Picnic Area  
No Grill  
No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
No Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

Yes Beach  
No Sand Dune  
No Harbor  
No Salt Marsh  
No Tidal River  
Yes Rocky Shore  
No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

Yes Trailer Launch  
Yes Hand Carry Launch  
All Tidal Use  
Yes Pier/Wharf  
Yes Floating Dock  
No Tie-up spaces

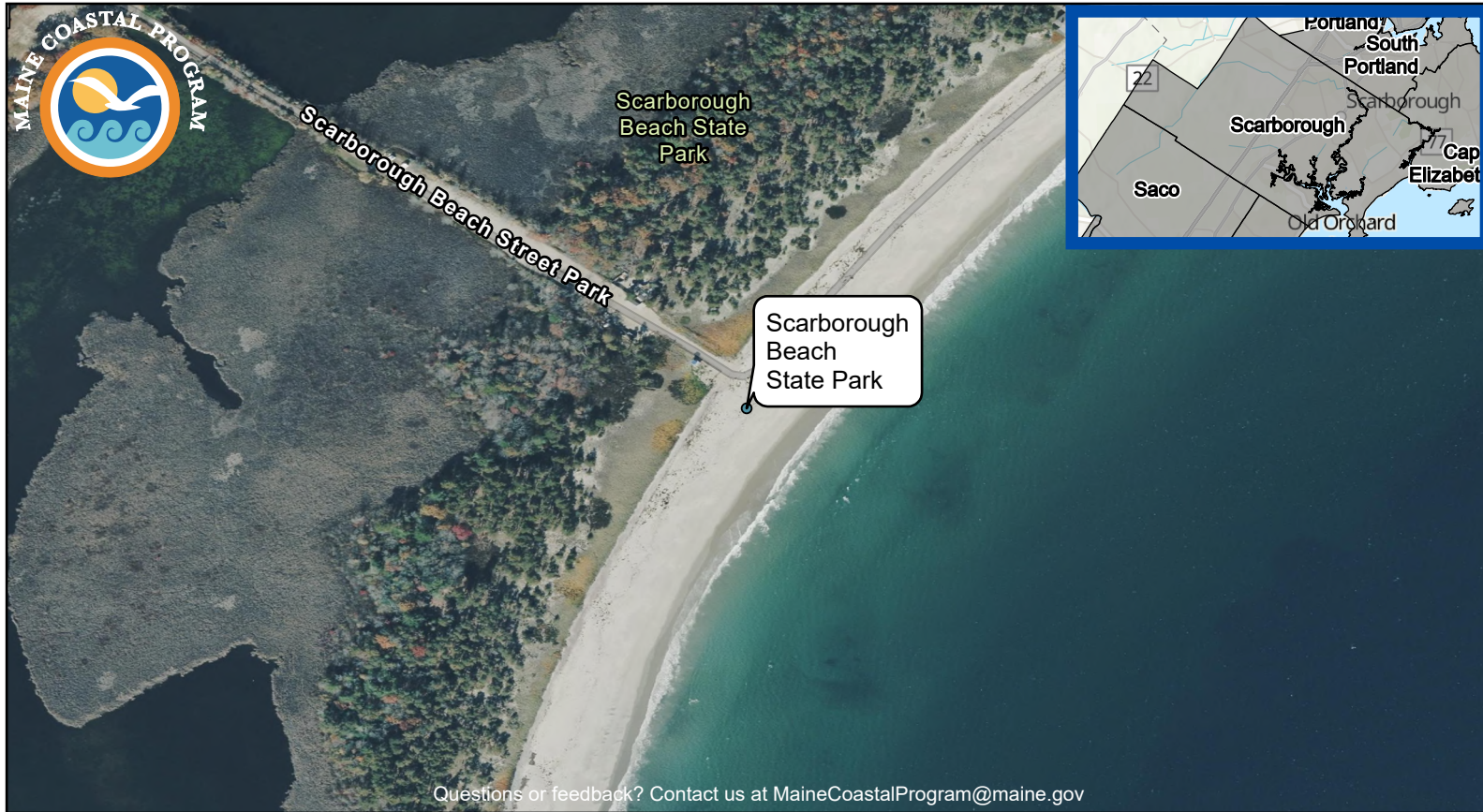
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## Scarborough Beach State Park, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5434, -70.3091



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### SITE DESCRIPTION

Water temperatures here regularly reach the high 60s in the height of the summer, prompting Scarborough to be touted as one of the best beaches in New England. This gorgeous strand runs almost one and a half miles northeast of Prouts Neck, providing lots of white sand for beachcombing, building castles and launching small boats. The view includes Richmond Island to the east, Bluff and Stratton Islands (the latter an Audubon Society sanctuary) to the south, and open ocean in-between. From the west end of the park, visitors can hike the cliff trail around Prouts Neck. Birders, looking for waterbirds, often prefer to visit in the winter. Swimmers are encouraged to remain in the designated area, which has lifeguards, to avoid rip-tide currents. Seasonal restrooms are located nearby. Dogs not allowed spring through fall; they must be leashed the rest of the year. There is one parking lot near the gate and a second near the beach.



Photo Credit: NA

### PARKING

- 100+ Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- Yes Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- Yes Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- No Recreational Fishing
- Yes Hiking
- Yes Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- Yes Beach
- Yes Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- No Salt Marsh
- No Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- Yes Hand Carry Launch
- All Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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## Scarborough Marsh Audubon Center, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5657, -70.3745



### SITE DESCRIPTION

From Maine Audubon's Nature Center, located on a bend of the Dunstan River, visitors can hand-launch a boat from a paved ramp, dip their paddles, and let the tide carry them – ever so quietly – within yards of a heron or egret. The center is open daily in the summer, running educational programs for all ages, offering interactive displays and exhibits, providing guided bird/wildlife tours by foot or canoe, and renting canoes and kayaks for those who prefer self-guided tours. For optimum wildlife viewing, paddling is best at half or low tide. A nature trail is available year-round. Park in the lot or along the road from dawn to dusk.



Photo Credit: 2013 Maine Coastal Access Guide

### PARKING

6-10 Cars  
0 Trailers  
0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

No Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
No Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
Yes Recreational Fishing  
Yes Hiking  
Yes Picnic Area  
No Grill  
Yes Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
No Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

No Beach  
No Sand Dune  
No Harbor  
Yes Salt Marsh  
Yes Tidal River  
No Rocky Shore  
Yes Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

No Trailer Launch  
Yes Hand Carry Launch  
Part Tidal Use  
No Pier/Wharf  
No Floating Dock  
No Tie-up spaces

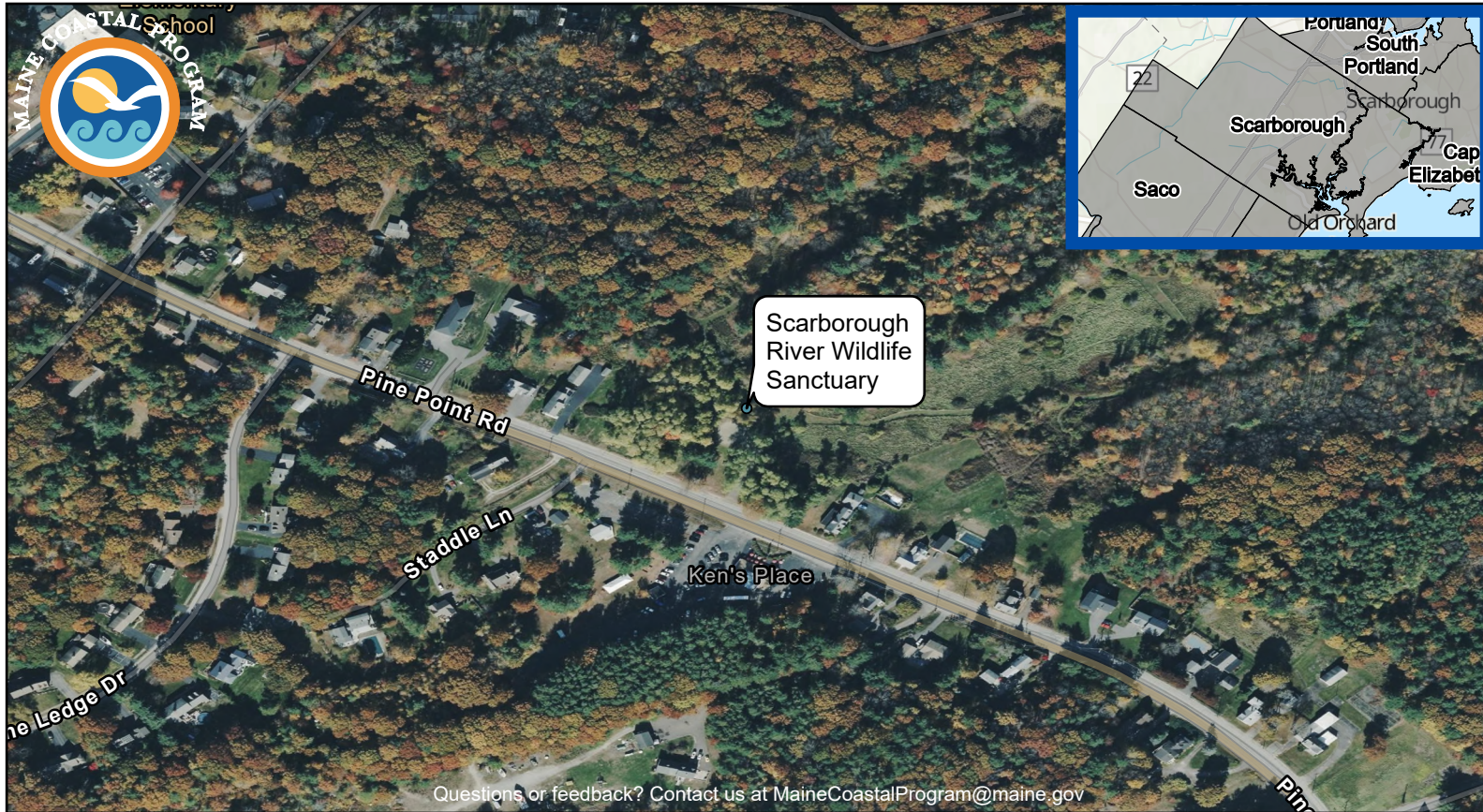
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## Scarborough River Wildlife Sanctuary, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5553, -70.3606



### SITE DESCRIPTION

Hikers, bird watchers, and pet owners can amble along 1.5 miles of trails in 52 acres of diverse habitat, including upland fields and forest surrounding several spring-fed freshwater ponds, all leading down to the salt marsh. Local teachers and students often use this area as an outdoor classroom. The sanctuary is open dawn to dusk; dogs must be leashed. There is a small parking area on-site.



Photo Credit: 2013 Maine Coastal Access Guide

### PARKING

6-10 Cars  
0 Trailers  
0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

No Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
No Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
Yes Recreational Fishing  
Yes Hiking  
No Picnic Area  
No Grill  
No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
No Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

No Beach  
No Sand Dune  
No Harbor  
Yes Salt Marsh  
No Tidal River  
No Rocky Shore  
No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

No Trailer Launch  
No Hand Carry Launch  
NA Tidal Use  
No Pier/Wharf  
No Floating Dock  
No Tie-up spaces

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## Seavey Landing, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5564, -70.3486



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This part-tide, unpaved hand-carry site at the end of a residential road allows paddlers to launch small boats into the Dunstan River at its confluence with the Scarborough River. This section of the marsh is notable because restoration efforts have largely reversed the damage caused years ago when it was ditched and drained in an effort to combat mosquitoes. There is limited off-street parking.



Photo Credit: Melissa Britsch

### PARKING

- 1-5 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- Yes Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- Yes Recreational Fishing
- No Hiking
- Yes Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- Yes Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- Yes Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- Yes Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- Yes Hand Carry Launch
- Part Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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## Snowberry Ocean View Park, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5407, -70.3436



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### SITE DESCRIPTION

This tiny park, sandwiched between a residential neighborhood and a condo building, has benches, bike racks, interpretive signs and—best of all—access to Pine Point Beach. There is no parking here; it's a drop-off area only. The nearest public lot is at Pine Point Town Landing (see separate description).



Photo Credit: Brittney Nickerson

### PARKING

- 0 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- No Recreational Fishing
- No Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- Yes Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- No Salt Marsh
- No Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- No Hand Carry Launch
- NA Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Spurwink River Fishing Pier, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5827, -70.2574



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This quiet area, part of Rachel Carson National Wildlife Refuge, attracts paddlers, anglers, and visitors who seek a quiet moment by the river. Boaters can hand-carry across sand and rocks, then paddle to the river's mouth and back. Fishermen may cast along a thousand-foot stretch on the west bank, from the bridge north almost to an incoming stream. Others can use the wood observation deck to take in a slice of nature. Both refuge regulations as well as Maine fishing regulations apply. User cooperation is important for the site to remain available; visitors should obey refuge rules and respect private property. Parking along the shoulder of Spurwink Rd is limited.

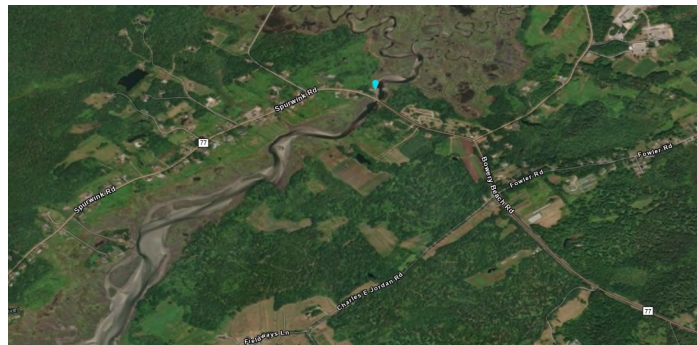


Photo Credit: NA

### PARKING

- 6-10 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- No Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- Yes Recreational Fishing
- No Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- No Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- Yes Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- Yes Hand Carry Launch
- All Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Winnock's Neck, Scarborough

Lat/Long: 43.5638, -70.3337



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### SITE DESCRIPTION

This unpaved, part-tide launch creates a spot for paddlers, though clambers are the primary users of this public right-of-way at the end of a residential road. There is no parking.

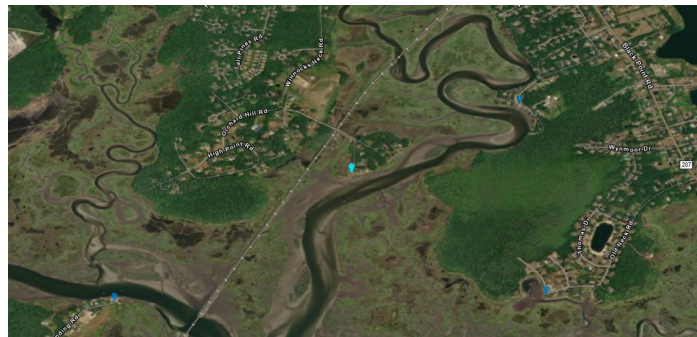


Photo Credit: NA

### PARKING

- 0 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- Yes Recreational Fishing
- No Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- No Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- Yes Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- Yes Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- Yes Hand Carry Launch
- Part Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Cliff House Beach, Cape Elizabeth

Lat/Long: 43.6332, -70.2222



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This small cobble beach is a gem. With limited on-street parking and no facilities, it attracts fewer people, so it's a pleasant place to picnic or contemplate the view across Danforth Cove to Cushing Island, with smaller House Island to the north and Peaks Island in the background. Beach pea, grasses, and shrubs form a buffer between the rocks and the upland trees. This town-owned site is open sunrise to sunset. Dogs are welcome.



Photo Credit: 2013 Maine Coastal Access Guide

### PARKING

- 0 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- Yes Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- No Recreational Fishing
- No Hiking
- Yes Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- Yes Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- No Salt Marsh
- No Tidal River
- Yes Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- No Hand Carry Launch
- NA Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Crescent Beach State Park, Cape Elizabeth

Lat/Long: 43.5637, -70.2291



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### SITE DESCRIPTION

This 335-acre state park offers a wide, flat, mile-long sand beach that wraps around Seal Cove on the southern end of Cape Elizabeth. Most people come for the sand, relatively warm water, and generally light surf, but the park also offers a trail through spruce-fir forest and meadow and along the shore to quieter coves and ledges. Fishermen cast from the shore, and paddlers hand-carry launch from the beach. Richmond Island, connected to the mainland by a rock jetty, lies along the southern horizon. The park (fee charged) is open year-round and has lifeguards in summer. A seasonal restroom is located on-site. In winter, visitors may hike, snowshoe or ski. Leashed pets are permitted on the beach October through March. Visitors must carry out litter; camping is not allowed. There is a large parking area at the sign. When the area is closed, park along ME 77.

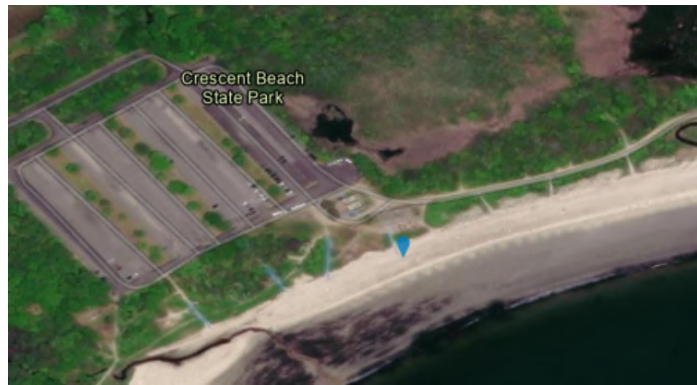


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### PARKING

- 100+ Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 11-25 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- Yes Restrooms
- Yes Season Dogs Allowed
- Yes Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- Yes Recreational Fishing
- Yes Hiking
- Yes Picnic Area
- Yes Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- Yes Beach
- Yes Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- No Salt Marsh
- No Tidal River
- Yes Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- Yes Hand Carry Launch
- All Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Dyer Point, Cape Elizabeth

Lat/Long: 43.5648, -70.1985



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This rocky finger stretching out from the easternmost shore of Cape Elizabeth offers a spectacular view of Casco Bay and the open ocean. The twin lighthouses, built in 1928, marked this dangerous shore for incoming ships. On a clear day, the eastern (automated) light is visible for 17 miles; the western light is now privately owned. Edward Hopper painted "Lighthouse at Two Lights" here. This area is of particular interest to birders who hope to see winter ducks. Visitors may park on-site during the day.



Photo Credit: Brittney Nickerson

### PARKING

11-25 Cars  
0 Trailers  
0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

No Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
No Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
No Recreational Fishing  
No Hiking  
No Picnic Area  
No Grill  
No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
Yes Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

No Beach  
No Sand Dune  
No Harbor  
No Salt Marsh  
No Tidal River  
Yes Rocky Shore  
No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

No Trailer Launch  
No Hand Carry Launch  
NA Tidal Use  
No Pier/Wharf  
No Floating Dock  
No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Fort Williams Park, Cape Elizabeth

Lat/Long: 43.6235, -70.2104



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This 90-acre park combines two major features – a light commissioned by George Washington and a fort built in the late 1800s to protect Casco Bay and Portland Harbor – into a pleasant area with short trails along the water, picnicking, and scenic views of Ram Island Ledge Light and the islands of Casco Bay. The white tower and red-roofed white buildings of Portland Head Light are clearly the centerpiece. Visitors may visit the museum and gift shop or explore the old fort buildings, which were important during World War II and deactivated in 1963. Goddard Mansion, built in the 1800s, is also located within the park. In a winter with good snow, the park offers a rare treat – the opportunity to snowshoe or cross-country ski past a lighthouse. The site is open year-round, dawn until dusk. A seasonal porta potty is available on-site. Park in one of the several lots.



Photo Credit: 2013 Maine Coastal Access Guide

### PARKING

100+ Cars  
0 Trailers  
11-25 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

Yes Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
Yes Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
No Recreational Fishing  
Yes Hiking  
Yes Picnic Area  
No Grill  
Yes Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
Yes Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

Yes Beach  
No Sand Dune  
No Harbor  
No Salt Marsh  
No Tidal River  
No Rocky Shore  
No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

No Trailer Launch  
No Hand Carry Launch  
NA Tidal Use  
No Pier/Wharf  
No Floating Dock  
No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Robinson Woods, Cape Elizabeth

Lat/Long: 43.6107, -70.2164



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### SITE DESCRIPTION

These three properties, owned by the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust, encompass over 145 acres of forest with trails totaling approximately nine miles. Visitors can walk through mixed hardwoods and pines in Robinson 1 and past fields and waterfalls in Robinson 2 and 3. Interpretive signs guide visitors as they walk through the white pine, red oak, and hemlock stands, some of which are more than 300 years old. The property also includes 2 acres of scenic waterfront on Pond Cove, just across the street. Because a freshwater stream flows into the cove, the water is less saline, sustaining more shoreline vegetation and providing greater forage for wildlife. In June, visitors often see eider moms and their young quite close to shore. At low tide, there is a cobble/sand beach, with seaweed-covered ledge at water's edge. There is a dirt pullout for parking during daytime hours.



Photo Credit: NA

### PARKING

- 6-10 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- No Recreational Fishing
- Yes Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- Yes Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- No Salt Marsh
- No Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- No Hand Carry Launch
- NA Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Trundy Point, Cape Elizabeth

Lat/Long: 43.5858, -70.2034



### SITE DESCRIPTION

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust protects this small beach and rocky headland with views of Casco Bay and multiple lighthouses. Swimming, exploring tide pools, and bird watching can be done easily here. Visitors can access the beach and headland via a short, unpaved path. Dogs are welcome but must be leashed at all times. Limited parking is available on the shoulder of Reef Road, but the corner cannot be blocked.



Photo Credit: Brittney Nickerson

### PARKING

- 1-5 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- Yes Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- No Recreational Fishing
- Yes Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- Yes Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- No Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- Yes Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- No Hand Carry Launch
- NA Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Two Lights State Park, Cape Elizabeth

Lat/Long: 43.5599, -70.2057



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### SITE DESCRIPTION

These 41 acres of dramatic, rocky headland – with salty breeze, crashing surf, and endless ocean – inspire awe throughout the year. Huge blocks, tattooed with bright yellow lichen, lay as if strewn on the ledges. Tide pools form at all levels, offering refuge for everything from sponges to brittle stars, sea stars, sea urchins and crabs. Wind-pruned pines and low-growing juniper testify to the strength of the wind. Even the grills and picnic tables here are tucked into nooks of shrubbery in order to provide protection from the elements. World War II batteries, situated to guard Casco Bay, give mute testimony of the past. Trails wind through the park, but most visitors come to scramble on the rocks, fish, picnic, or simply sit and watch the waves. An entrance fee is charged. Year-round bathroom facilities and a playground are located by the parking lot.



Photo Credit: Brittney Nickerson

### PARKING

100+ Cars  
0 Trailers  
6-10 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

Yes Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
No Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
Yes Recreational Fishing  
Yes Hiking  
Yes Picnic Area  
Yes Grill  
Yes Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
No Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

No Beach  
No Sand Dune  
No Harbor  
No Salt Marsh  
No Tidal River  
Yes Rocky Shore  
No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

No Trailer Launch  
No Hand Carry Launch  
NA Tidal Use  
No Pier/Wharf  
No Floating Dock  
No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Bug Light Park and Municipal Boat Ramp, South Portland

Lat/Long: 43.6551, -70.2352



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### SITE DESCRIPTION

This 8.8-acre park, located at a former World War II shipbuilding complex, offers a variety of activities as well as views of Portland Harbor, the city's skyline and the bay's islands. Walkers can use a paved water-side path that connects to the South Portland Greenbelt Walkway. Fishermen can drop lines either off the paved walkway to the lighthouse or the rocks fronting open ocean. History buffs can explore Cushing's Point House Museum and the memorial to the Liberty Ships that were once built here. This park has well maintained lawns, a large field ideal for games and picnics, and plentiful benches at the edge of the water; seasonal bathrooms are located near the launch ramp. Portland Breakwater Lighthouse, also called Bug Light, marks the northern tip of land. The public boat ramp (fee charged) next to Bug Light Park is designed to launch all types of recreation boats into the Fore River at the harbor's western edge. Two full-tide concrete ramps flank a double-wide dock system that allows for efficient boat handling during busy summer hours. There is a very large parking lot with room for many trailers at the end of Madison Street.



Photo Credit: 2013 Maine Coastal Access Guide

### PARKING

- 26-50 Cars
- 26-50 Trailers
- 1-5 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- Yes Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- Yes Recreational Fishing
- No Hiking
- Yes Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- Yes Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- No Beach
- No Sand Dune
- Yes Harbor
- No Salt Marsh
- No Tidal River
- Yes Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

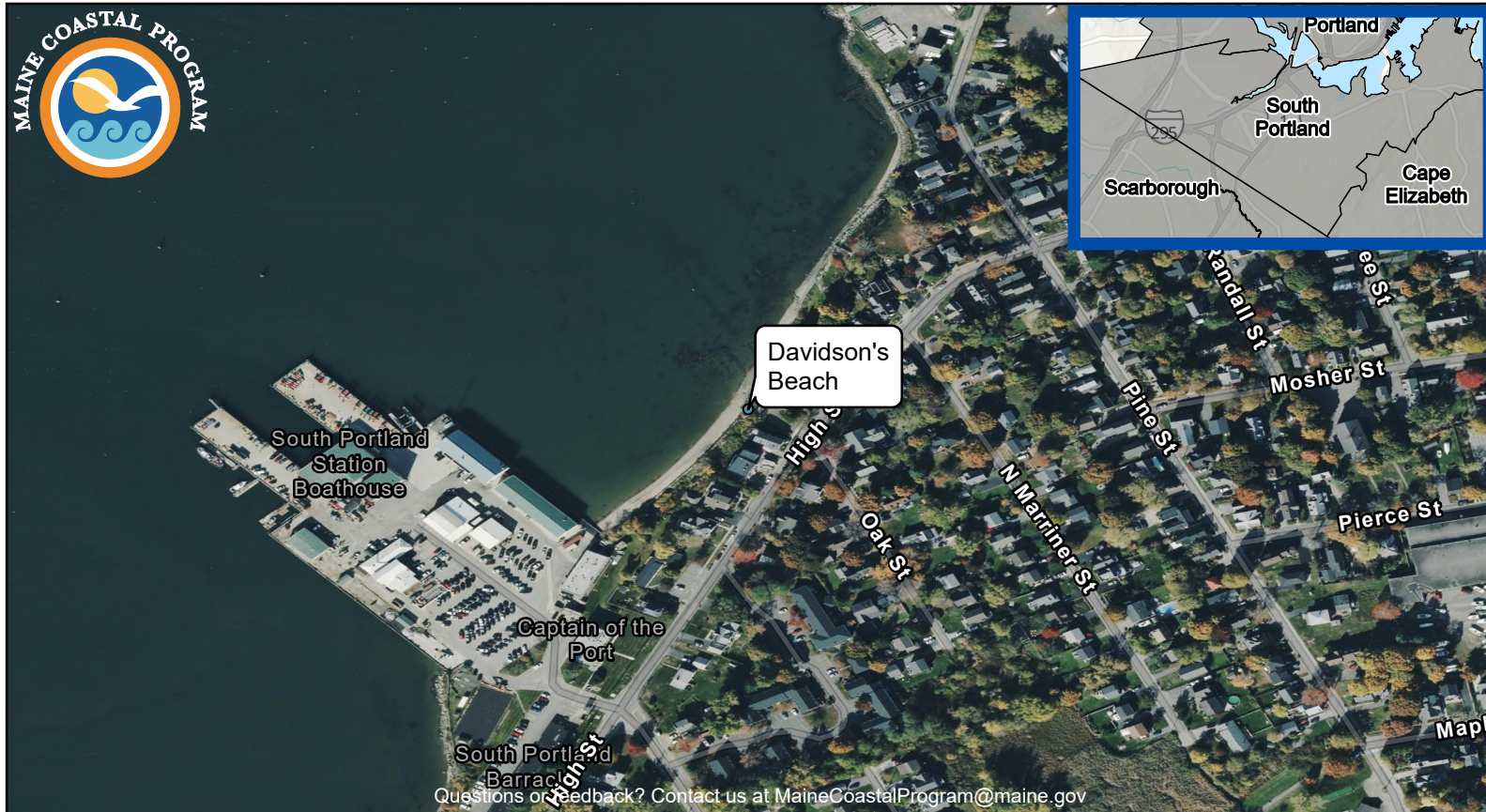
- Yes Trailer Launch
- Yes Hand Carry Launch
- All Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- Yes Floating Dock
- Yes Tie-up spaces

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## Davidson's Beach, South Portland

Lat/Long: 43.6460, -70.2453



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This public right-of-way offers a path and stairs to a small gravel beach with an excellent view of Portland Harbor. Open dawn to dusk, the beach extends from the Centerboard Yacht Club to the U.S. Coast Guard station. Dogs must be leashed. Street parking is available nearby.

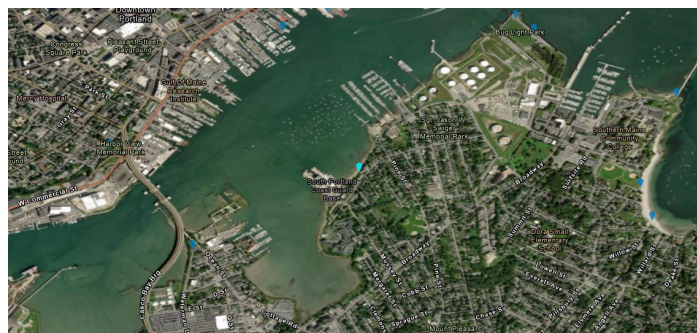


Photo Credit: NA

### PARKING

- 0 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- Yes Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- No Recreational Fishing
- Yes Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- No Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- Yes Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- No Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- No Hand Carry Launch
- Part Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Greenbelt Walkway, South Portland

Lat/Long: 43.6542, -70.2341



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### SITE DESCRIPTION

This paved bicycle and pedestrian path connects South Portland parks and neighborhoods from the Wainwright Recreation Complex to Bug Light Park and the Spring Point Shoreway. The greenbelt, several miles in length, passes through the South Portland Mill Creek shopping district and residential areas, but it also winds through woods and near water. Visitors may eat fresh bagels while dangling their legs over rocks at Bug Light, swim at Willard beach, or refresh themselves with iced coffee at Mill Creek shops. The greenbelt is part of the East Coast Greenway and crosses the Casco Bay Bridge, linking to the award-winning Portland Trails system and its refuges, trails, and bike paths – a remarkable blend of urban, coastal and neighborhood trail systems that allow users to travel from South Portland to Falmouth. Parking is available at the Mill Creek shopping center, Wainwright Recreation Complex, and Bug Light Park (see Bug Light entry).

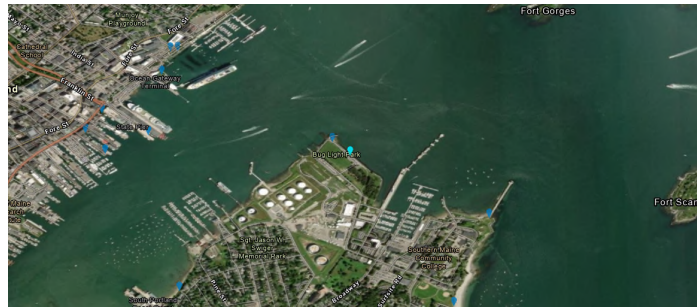


Photo Credit: NA

### PARKING

- 0 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- No Recreational Fishing
- Yes Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- Yes Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- No Beach
- No Sand Dune
- Yes Harbor
- No Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- Yes Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- No Hand Carry Launch
- NA Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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## Long Creek Access, South Portland

Lat/Long: 43.6370, -70.3035



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This three-quarter-mile trail crosses through forest and follows the shore of tidal Long Creek. The bank to the river is quite steep near the trailhead, so visitors will want to watch their step. The trail is maintained by South Portland Land Trust, but the property is owned by the State and the Opportunity Alliance, a nearby business. Dogs are welcome if leashed or under voice control. There are no restrooms. Parking can be found at the lot at the end of Lydia Lane.



Photo Credit: NA

### PARKING

26-50 Cars  
0 Trailers  
0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

No Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
No Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
No Recreational Fishing  
Yes Hiking  
No Picnic Area  
No Grill  
No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
No Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

No Beach  
No Sand Dune  
No Harbor  
No Salt Marsh  
Yes Tidal River  
No Rocky Shore  
No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

No Trailer Launch  
No Hand Carry Launch  
NA Tidal Use  
No Pier/Wharf  
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## Spring Point Ledge Light, South Portland

Lat/Long: 43.6499, -70.2254



### SITE DESCRIPTION

Adjacent to Southern Maine Community College’s campus, Spring Point Ledge Light’s unique position at the end of a 900-foot breakwater jetty makes it the only lighthouse of its type accessible to the public. On the shore side of the lighthouse, a path with benches and well-maintained lawns follows the waterfront past Fort Preble’s imposing granite battlements. Fishing from shore and the jetty is popular here, especially when the mackerel are running thick in the harbor. People enjoy strolling over the jetty’s sturdy blocks for dramatic views of Fort Gorges on Hog Island Ledge. In summer the Spring Point Ledge Light Trust opens the 1897-era lighthouse for weekend tours. Restaurants, shops and a full-service commercial marina are located nearby. Park in available lots; some of the college’s lots may be used when the college is not in session.



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### PARKING

- 6-10 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 1-5 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- Yes Recreational Fishing
- No Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- Yes Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- Yes Beach
- No Sand Dune
- Yes Harbor
- No Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- No Hand Carry Launch
- NA Tidal Use
- No Pier/Wharf
- No Floating Dock
- No Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Spring Point Shoreway Trail, South Portland

Lat/Long: 43.6443, -70.2279



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This paved, 1.6-mile trail, which is both stroller and wheelchair friendly, begins at Willard Beach and passes through the shaded campus of Southern Maine Community College to the Spring Point Arboretum. It follows Bunker Lane around one of the former Fort Preble bunkers, passes by Spring Point Ledge Light and the imposing, granite battlements of Fort Preble, before passing through Spring Point Marina. This trail is one segment in an unusual urban, coastal, and neighborhood system that allows users to travel from South Portland to Falmouth. This area is popular with dog walkers, who often send their furry friends for a swim at the lighthouse beach. Parking is available at Bug Light Park or Willard Beach.



Photo Credit: 2013 Maine Coastal Access Guide

### PARKING

- 6-10 Cars
- 0 Trailers
- 1-5 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

- No Restrooms
- Yes Dogs Allowed
- No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)
- No Swimming (No Lifeguard)
- No Recreational Fishing
- Yes Hiking
- No Picnic Area
- No Grill
- No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter
- Yes Lighthouse
- No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

- Yes Beach
- No Sand Dune
- No Harbor
- No Salt Marsh
- Yes Tidal River
- No Rocky Shore
- No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

- No Trailer Launch
- No Hand Carry Launch
- NA Tidal Use
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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Thomas Knight Park, South Portland

Lat/Long: 43.6416, -70.2558



### SITE DESCRIPTION

This small area next to and under Casco Bay Bridge is the part of the South Portland Greenbelt Walkway; here, a paved ramp leads up and over the bridge, connecting South Portland to Portland. Many commuters bike and even hike up the ramp to the bridge, enjoying harbor views and avoiding rush hour delays. For those who linger, shaded tables and benches overlook the bustling harbor. Sloping grassy areas lead to a cobble waterfront where hand-launching small boats is possible but not recommended because access leads into a very busy harbor with much larger boats. A town-owned landing facility includes a long pier and ramp to a float. With the opening of the Casco Bay Bridge, Waterman Drive was redesigned for less intense use, and it now hosts dedicated pedestrian sidewalks and shade trees. Limited parallel parking is available on Waterman Street where Ocean becomes Waterman.



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### PARKING

6-10 Cars  
0 Trailers  
0 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

No Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
No Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
No Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
Yes Recreational Fishing  
Yes Hiking  
Yes Picnic Area  
No Grill  
No Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
No Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

No Beach  
No Sand Dune  
Yes Harbor  
No Salt Marsh  
Yes Tidal River  
No Rocky Shore  
No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

No Trailer Launch  
Yes Hand Carry Launch  
NA Tidal Use  
No Pier/Wharf  
Yes Floating Dock  
Yes Tie-up spaces

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# MAINE COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS GUIDE

## Willard Beach, South Portland

Lat/Long: 43.6423, -70.2272



### SITE DESCRIPTION

Willard is a four-acre sand beach that links Fisherman's Point and Southern Maine Community College. It has a front-row seat on the main route into Portland Harbor, providing visitors with a view of a steady stream of ocean liners, catch-laden commercial boats and recreational boats as well as area landmarks such as Spring Point Light, Fort Preble, Fort Gorges and the islands of Casco Bay. This site is part of the Spring Point Shoreway, allowing beachgoers to combine sand and sun with an easy walk to explore Fort Preble and Spring Point Light. Paddlers can hand-carry and launch from firm sand. The site also has a playground, seasonal bathrooms and a snack bar. Mobility chairs are available at the lifeguard shack. Park in a large lot on Willow Street or in some of the lots at Southern Maine Community College (down Fort Road to its end) when the school is not in session.



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### PARKING

51-100 Cars  
0 Trailers  
1-5 Handicap

### ACTIVITIES AND AMENITIES

Yes Restrooms  
Yes Dogs Allowed  
Yes Swimming (Seasonal Lifeguard)  
Yes Swimming (No Lifeguard)  
Yes Recreational Fishing  
No Hiking  
Yes Picnic Area  
No Grill  
Yes Pavilion/Picnic Shelter  
No Lighthouse  
No Ferry Terminal

### ENVIRONMENT

Yes Beach  
Yes Sand Dune  
Yes Harbor  
No Salt Marsh  
Yes Tidal River  
Yes Rocky Shore  
No Mudflat

### BOATING FACILITIES

No Trailer Launch  
Yes Hand Carry Launch  
NA Tidal Use  
No Pier/Wharf  
No Floating Dock  
No Tie-up spaces