

## GARDNER LAKE T15 R9, Aroostook Co. U.S.G.S. Gardner Pond, Maine (7 1/2')

## Fishes

Brook trout Blueback charr Yellow perch Minnows Golden shiner Common shiner Redbelly dace Creek chub Pearl dace White sucker

**Physical Characteristics** 

Area - 288 acres Average depth - 41 feet Maximum depth - 120 feet Temperatures: Surface - 65<sup>0</sup>F 100 feet - 45<sup>0</sup>F

Principal fisheries: Brook trout, blueback charr

Gardner Lake is a cold, deep lake especially suited for coldwater game species. Water below the 15-foot level is cold with abundant dissolved oxygen during the warm summer months.

The brook trout fishery is maintained entirely by natural spawning within the lake and in two inlet tributaries.

Gardner Lake supports a population of the rare blueback charr. Spawning areas for the charr are on the bouldery shoreline within the lake.

Conservative fishing regulations have been implemented to maintain and enhance the sport fishery.

Gardner Lake is one of many ponds situated in close proximity in T15 R9, a township owned by the State of Maine. Access to the lake is via a footpath from Pushineer Pond or Deboullie Lake. Two-wheel drive access is available to Pushineer and Deboullie Ponds. However, a fording of the Red River is necessary to reach the unimproved boat launch at Deboullie Lake.

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