

SAND POND

Denmark Twp., Oxford, Co.
U.S.G.S. Hiram, Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Brown trout	Common Shiner
Brook trout	Fallfish
Rainbow smelt	White sucker
Smallmouth bass	Hornpout (bullhead)
Largemouth bass	Banded killifish
Yellow perch	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Chain Pickerel	Redbreast sunfish
Minnows	American eel
Golden shiner	Landlocked alewife

Physical Characteristics

Area - 256 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 74°F
Maximum depth - 44 feet	40 feet - 45°F

Principal fisheries: Brown trout, smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, chain pickerel

Sand Pond, also called Walden Pond, is located in Denmark adjacent to Hancock Pond. In fact, both bodies of water are actually connected via a shallow thoroughfare. The pond has many coves, points, and islands that provide excellent habitat for a variety of warmwater fish species.

Sand Pond thermally stratifies each summer, and only a very small band of cool oxygenated water is available for salmonid management. The large number of competing warmwater fish species further limits the potential for coldwater fisheries management. A brown trout stocking program was initiated in the early 1970's and the pond yields a limited number of browns in the 2-6 pound range. This water lacks suitable salmonid spawning habitat, and brown trout must be stocked annually to maintain the fishery. In 1984, the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

successfully introduced landlocked alewives into Hancock Pond, and they have also established themselves in Sand Pond.

Both smallmouth bass and largemouth bass are naturally self-sustaining, and are often taken in excess of 3 pounds. Smelt, juvenile yellow perch, and landlocked alewives provide an exceptional forage base for the bass. Pickerel offer additional angling opportunities.

There is no public access to Sand Pond. Anglers must use the public boat ramp at Hancock Pond and access Sand Pond via the thoroughfare.

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