

## SIMPSON POND

Roque Bluffs Twp., Washington Co. U.S.G.S. Roque Bluffs, ME (7 1/2')

**Fishes** 

Brown trout

Ninespine stickleback American eel

Brook trout Minnows

Golden shiner

**Physical Characteristics** 

Area- 21 acres Temperatures:

Surface - 71°F

Maximum depth - 5 feet

40 feet - 70°F

Principal fishery: Brown trout, brook trout

Simpson Pond is a small, very shallow water located a short distance from the ocean. Part of the shoreline is situated within a small State Park. Canoes (motorboats are prohibited) can be launched on the premises, which also offer visitors picnic tables, fireplaces for cookouts, and swings for children.

This water provides an acceptable fishery for brown trout which are stocked as spring yearlings. Although most of the catch is comprised of 12-14 in age II fish, anglers occasionally catch a few 3-4 pounders. Apparently, the springy areas within the pond coupled with the fairly common cool, foggy nights provide enough cool water for trout to survive through the summer. Some shore-anglers enjoy fairly good luck soon after ice out using a worm/nightcrawler and bobber. Catchable-size brook trout are stocked in most springs to provide some faster action than that typically offered by brown trout. In certain years, more than a few of these brook trout holdover to age II when they attain lengths of 13-15 in. The pond is popular with bait fishermen in the fall/winter. Because shiners are severe competitors with trout for food, these anglers are actually helping the trout fishery by annually removing large numbers of these fish.

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