



# Lake Nippenicket, Bridgewater

## General Information

This 220 acre Great Pond with an average depth of 6 feet and a maximum depth of 13 feet is known locally as The Nip. Bordering the Hockomock Swamp, it forms the headwaters of the Town River. The lake is located about a half mile west of Route 24, just north of its intersection with Route 495. Due to the surrounding wetlands, the water is heavily tea stained and transparency is only 2.5 feet. The bottom is predominantly sand but aquatic vegetation (milfoil, fanwort, algae) is abundant particularly in the north end. Due to the surrounding swamp, residential development has been restricted to the southern half of the 4.8 miles of shoreline.

## Recreational Access

Boat access to the pond is provided by a paved Office of Fishing and Boating Access ramp which is managed by the town of Bridgewater. The ramp has ample parking (40 spaces) and is located off Route 104 (Pleasant Street) on the southeastern corner of the pond near Lakeside Drive (71° 2'0.87"W 41°57'51.60"N ). Canoe and shorefishing access is also available on the western side of the pond through the Harry C. Darling Wildlife Management Area which can be reached by taking Chace Road from Elm Street. Please contact the town of Bridgewater for additional information and/or restrictions pertaining to public access of Lake Nippenicket.

## Fish Populations

The following fish species were found during MassWildlife surveys: Largemouth Bass, Chain Pickerel, Black Crappie, Yellow Perch, White Perch, Bluegill, Pumpkinseed, Brown Bullhead, Golden Shiner, and White Sucker.

## Fishing

Lake Nippenicket offers good fishing for an assortment of warmwater species. Bass anglers will particularly enjoy the abundant structure in this lake and the healthy Largemouth Bass population. Panfishing should also be good, as the Yellow Perch and Black Crappie are large and fairly abundant. When ice conditions are safe, this lake produces good Yellow Perch catches and an occasional lunker Pickerel. Lake Nippenicket has produced Largemouth Bass, Black Crappie, Chain Pickerel, Yellow Perch, and Brown Bullhead that meet minimum sizes for recognition by the Freshwater Sportfishing Awards Program.

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Clean all recreational equipment.  
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386 Acres

Bridgewater

Taunton River Watershed

Coordinates: 71° 2'0.87"W 41°57'51.60"N

USGS Quad: TAUNTON

