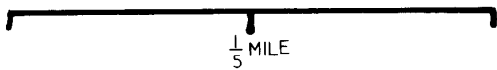


Lout Pond

PLYMOUTH
18 ACRES



SOUTH POND ROAD

Lout Pond
Plymouth
Plymouth County
South Coastal Watershed

Latitude: 41.9353713 N Longitude: 70.6718620 W



18 Acres
Depth: 19 Feet Average
36 Feet Maximum
Primary Gamefish:
Trout

General Information:

Lout Pond is an 18 acre natural kettlehole pond with an average depth of 19 feet and a maximum depth of 36 feet. The water color is clear and transparency is excellent at 19 feet. The bottom is predominantly sand and the shorelines are steep. The 0.7 miles of shoreline have residential development on the northern and southern shorelines and bogs on the western shoreline. The pond was formerly used as a water supply for the town of Plymouth and an old brick pump house still exists on the side of the pond and a water department building is located across the street.

Access:

Billington Street (sometimes known as South Pond Road) runs along the eastern shore of Lout Pond. Parking is available along the side of the road, but the steep bank precludes the launching of anything but canoes and cartop boats. There are several shore fishing area along the roadside but the steep dropoffs limit wading. A local bylaw allows *only electric motors on this pond*.

Management History:

Lout Pond was reclaimed for trout management in 1960 and has since been annually stocked with trout. It was reclaimed again in 1961, 1962 and 1968. In the original reclamation, about 900 pounds of fish were recovered including largemouth bass, chain pickerel, yellow perch, brown bullhead, pumpkinseeds and alewives. In the 1968 reclamation, 95% of the 3,300 pounds of fish collected were yellow perch, brown bullhead and golden shiner. In the 1970s, Lout Pond was managed as a "Fish-for-Fun" pond (catch and release, artificial lures only). Due to the declines in the pond's pH and buffering capacity due to acid rain, it was treated with the addition of several tons of limestone in 1974, 1986 and 1991.

Fish Populations:

A fish survey conducted in October of 1988 by a fisheries consultant turned up brown trout, rainbow trout, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, bluegill, pumpkinseed, brown bullhead, chain pickerel, American eel, yellow perch and banded killifish.

Fishing:

Lout Pond is stocked every spring with brook, brown and rainbow trout. It regularly produces some nice holdover trout. There are some warmwater fish present but trout are the main attraction. This pond is somewhat sheltered and should would prove to be a good bet for float tube fisherman. Lout Pond is located just outside of Morton Park where Little Pond and Billington Sea can be accessed.

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