

Crystal Lake State Park

Welcome to Crystal Lake State Park. Crystal Lake is a glacial lake approximately three miles long and about one mile in width. In some places it is known to be over 100 feet deep.

In the fall of 1759, British Major Robert Rogers led a raid on Abenaki villages in what is now Quebec. The British raiding party, known as Rogers' Rangers, was chased into the Crystal Lake - Barton area after sacking the village of Odanack. The raiders split up to make their way south. Many starved or were killed by their pursuers.

At one time, a granite quarry operated on the east side of Crystal Lake. Near the turn of the century, steamboats barged stones across the lake. The park's beach house was made of granite quarried beside the lake. The beach house was constructed in the late 1930s by the Civilian Conservation Corps, or CCC, a nationwide public works program created during the great economic depression of to provide jobs and training for thousands of unemployed men. Its striking Art Deco architectural design received prominent recognition the year it was built. It is on the National Register for Historic Sites.

Park Facilities and Amenities

- Sand swimming beach
- Picnic facilities
- Cottage rental
- Boat rentals

Recreating and Sightseeing in the Area

- Jay
 - Jay State Forest & Jay Peak Resort
- East Burke
 - Burke Mountain Resort & Toll Road
 - Hiking in Darling State Park
 - Kingdom Trails mountain bike trails
- Brownington
 - Old Stone House Museum
- Westmore Willoughby State Forest
 - Hiking trails, fishing, boating, outstanding views
- Victory Victory State Forest , Wildlife Mgt Area
 - · Trails, wildlife viewing
- St. Johnsbury
 - Maple Grove Museum
 - · Fairbanks Museum
 - St. Johnsbury Athenaeum

For more information:

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> Picnicking Swimming Boat Rentals