



Photography Day Trips

Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens

Barter's Island

Boothbay, ME 04537

207-633-4333

Adult Admission \$10, Child (5+) Admission \$8

The Botanical Gardens in Boothbay span 248 waterfront acres and offer a lush backdrop of native wildflowers, groomed gardens and lovely water views. There is also a Café on property with a tempting menu of salads, soups, sandwiches and daily specials.

Hamilton Sanctuary

219 Foster's Point Rd

West Bath, ME 04530

207-781-2330

Free Admission

The Hamilton Sanctuary, founded in 1984 by Millicent Hamilton and the Maine Audubon Society, is a 74-acre wooded peninsula overlooking Back Cove. Bird-watchers will find much to see here, and any nature lover will be content to stroll the Sanctuary's walking trails and view the salt marsh, open meadow and coastal forest that grace the property.

Pemaquid Lighthouse

Route 130

New Harbor, ME 04539

207-677-2492

\$3 Admission per car

The Pemaquid Lighthouse is one of Maine's most treasured landmarks. The Lighthouse was built in 1826 and holds a traditional Fresnel lens. During the summer months the Lighthouse & adjacent buildings are open to tourists. The view from the Point is a must-see for photographers; the Atlantic crashing against the rocky peninsula is a sight not easily forgotten.

Fort Popham & Popham Beach

10 Perkins Farm Land

Phippsburg, ME 04562

\$2 Adult Admission to the beach

207-389-1335

A granite fortification partially built in 1862 for use during the Civil War, Fort Popham sits at the edge of the Kennebec River and offers a striking view of the waterfront. Nearby is Popham Beach, which is one of Maine's finest beaches where the beautiful rolling surf welcomes photographers during all seasons. The view while driving to Popham is equally pleasing and would provide for additional photographic opportunities.

Boothbay Harbor (off Route 27) & Ocean Point (off Route 96)

Free Admission

Before driving into charming Boothbay Harbor, be sure to circle Ocean Point off of Route 96. This one of the area's prettiest coastlines, sure to make for some great photos.

New Harbor & Rachel Carson Salt Pond Preserve (off Route 32)

Free Admission

An alluring fishing village, New Harbor offers a vision of one of Maine's working waterfronts. Stop at the Rachel Carson Salt Pond Preserve, just a few miles down the road from the harbor. During low tide, the Preserve has a ¼ acre tidal pool covering the rocky shore, with a dramatic view out to sea.

Monhegan Island

See below for boat rates...

Accessible only by boat, Monhegan Island is frequented by day-trippers who, upon arrival, will find a charming, rustic village with a population of only about 65. The island, though only about a square mile in area, is also graced by extensive woodlands, meadows, and impressive cliff views. On the boat ride over, (you can get there either from New Harbor, Rockland, or Boothbay Harbor) it is likely that you will glimpse harbor seals, puffins, or whales. Following is a list of companies that provide cruises out to the island; ask us at the front desk for more information if you are interested!

Balmy Day Cruises out of Boothbay Harbor: \$32 adult, \$18 children under 11 - Call ahead for departures

Hardy Boat Cruises out of New Harbor: \$30 adult \$18 children under 12 - Call ahead for departures

Motor Vehicle Monhegan out of Rockland: \$20 adults \$7 children under 12 - Call ahead for departures

Mt. Battie & Mt. Megunticook in Camden Hills

\$3 Admission per vehicle

Take a drive to the impressive Camden Hills area ("where the mountains meet the sea"), and if you're up for an invigorating hike, you will be rewarded with an unforgettable view of the Penobscot Bay; if hiking isn't to your liking, Mt. Battie has an access road to the summit. The village of Camden is right next door if you're interested in stopping for shopping or lunch/dinner.

Dodge Point

Free Admission

Dodge Point encompasses 521 acres of Newcastle's prettiest property. There are over abundant walking trails, 8000 feet of water frontage on the Damariscotta River, and many freshwater ponds for fishing. There is frequently wildlife to be spotted as you're walking along the trails, so if nature interests you, Dodge Point is sure to please.