

Mauthe Lake - 70 Acres

(State Park Sticker Required)

Mauthe Lake is an impoundment of the East Branch of the Milwaukee River and is entirely within the State Forest boundaries. No gas motors; electric trolling motors are allowed.

Handicap-accessible fishing pier, trail to dam, and shoreline fishing opportunities within the recreation area. Paved launch for canoes and small boats.

Expect to catch . . .

Bluegills	Abundant, but small.
Crappies	Occasionally the highlight of the fishery.
Largemouth Bass	Common, and of quality size.
Northern Pike	Although not a large lake, some pike in the 30 inch range are caught.

Boat Rentals

Bait Sales

Fishing Licenses



Rental boats are available from a private concessionaire under agreement with the state forest. Several private vendors within the forest sell fishing licenses, bait and other fishing supplies. For more information or current boat regulations, visit one of the forest offices or check out dnr.wi.gov. For information on boat registration, contact the DNR Call Center; 888-936-7463 or visit gowild.wi.gov.

Free fishing equipment is available for loan at Mauthe Lake and Long Lake recreation area entrance stations (when open) or the Ice Age Visitor Center. A fishing license is required for anyone 16 years and older.

Kettle Moraine State Forest Northern Unit Offices

Forest Headquarters

N1765 County Road G
Campbellsport, WI 53010
Weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
(262) 626-2116

Ice Age Visitor Center

Open Year-Round
Hours vary by season
(920) 533-8322

Mauthe Lake Campground

Entrance Station Open
Daily 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Memorial Day to Labor Day
(262) 626-4305

Long Lake Campground

Entrance Station Open
Daily 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Memorial Day to Labor Day
(920) 533-8612

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Fishing and Boating Opportunities

in the

Kettle Moraine State Forest Northern Unit



There are eight primary lakes within or bordering the Kettle Moraine State Forest—Northern Unit. These lakes range in size from 417 acres (Long Lake) to less than 7 acres.

The major fish populations include largemouth bass, bluegill, crappies, and northern pike. Mauthe Lake and Long Lake Recreation Areas have fishing piers that are accessible for people with disabilities.

Check at entrances and landings for posted information regarding wake/no wake rules and whether a state park vehicle admission sticker is required.

All watercraft must be equipped with a wearable Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device for each person on board.

Auburn Lake - 107 Acres

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A medium-sized kettle lake, Auburn Lake provides a diverse fishery. A paved boat launch and trailer parking area are across from the Forest Headquarters entrance road off County Road G. Access to launch is a narrow gravel road not suitable for large boat trailers. Local wake ordinance, posted at landing, is in effect.

Expect to catch . . .

Bluegills	Common. Average size.
Crappies	Present, but generally not quality size.
Northern Pike	Often found near outlet stream mouth and on north end across from boat landing.
Yellow Bass	Abundant, but small.
Largemouth Bass	Present. Some of quality size.

Butler Lake - 6 Acres

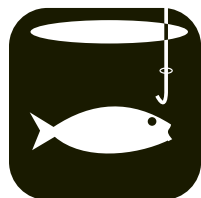
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Butler Lake is the smallest of the easily-accessible Kettle Moraine lakes. It is a kettle lake with an emergent wetland fringe around most of the lake. The Ice Age Trail meanders through the Butler Lake area and there is a loop hiking trail near the lake. Butler Lake is spring-fed and the water remains fairly cold and oxygenated.

There is a paved parking lot and gravel launch area for canoes or small rowboats. Gas motors are not allowed. A water pump is near the parking lot.

Expect to catch . . .

Bluegills	Abundant, but small.
Largemouth Bass	Present, average size.



**Always use
caution on ice—
know local
conditions.**

Crooked Lake - 91 Acres

This medium-sized kettle lake has relatively clear water and a diverse aquatic plant community. A gravel access road, boat launch, and parking area are off of County Road SS. The launch, suitable for canoes and small boats, is shallow and weedy.

Expect to catch...

Bluegills	Common, average size.
Yellow Perch	Common but small.
Crappies	Population fluctuates widely with very good fishing some years.
Northern Pike	Present, average size.
Largemouth Bass	Present and of quality size.

Forest Lake - 51 Acres

This is a small kettle lake with a mostly-developed shoreline. A marked and fairly steep carry-in public access is off County Road GGG. The lake is only suitable for canoes, small rowboats or paddleboats. No motors are allowed. **Northern pike, walleyes, and bass are catch and release only.**

Expect to catch . . .

Bluegills	Abundant, but small.
Crappies	Present.
Northern Pike	Present. Catch and release only.
Largemouth Bass	Quality population. Catch and release only.

Lake Seven - 26 Acres

This small, mostly undeveloped kettle lake has clear water and a diverse aquatic plant community. It is historically known as a tremendous bluegill lake. No gas motors allowed. Fairly shallow gravel boat launch for canoes and small rowboats.

Expect to catch . . .

Bluegills	Abundant, average size.
Largemouth Bass	Very abundant, but small size.

Kettle Moraine (Round) Lake - 227 Acres

The second-largest lake in the area, Kettle Moraine Lake has relatively clear water. Many parts of the lake are weedy and shallow. There is no State Forest access available on this lake, but the public can launch at NanSea's Tiki Bar on the east side. Obey the local wake ordinance, posted at the landing.

Expect to catch . . .

Bluegills	Abundant, few of quality size.
Yellow Perch	Present, generally small.
Crappies	Present, quality size at times.
Northern Pike	Large population for a lake this size. Commonly found in the 17-inch to 21-inch size range.
Walleye	Present. Some of quality size.
Bullheads	Bullhead fishing is the highlight of Kettle Moraine Lake in summer.
Largemouth Bass	Common, and of quality size.

Long Lake - 417 Acres

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Long Lake is a 3-mile long impoundment of the East Branch of the Milwaukee River. The lake has relatively clear water and is stocked by the DNR and the Long Lake Fishing Club. Heavy recreational use in the summer may make fishing difficult.

An accessible fishing pier and shoreline fishing opportunities are found in the Long Lake Recreation Area. The area has a developed boat launch and parking for over 20 vehicles and trailers. The boat launch fills on summer weekends. Obey the local wake ordinance, posted at the landing.

Expect to catch . . .

Bluegills	6-7 inches is common in summer. Best fishing along mid-depth weed lines and in deeper water on vegetated mid-depth flats.
Crappies	Present.
Northern Pike	A good population with some larger fish.
Walleye	Present. Some of quality size.
Largemouth Bass	Common in summer. The lake has a very good population with a nice size structure of fish available.
Bullheads	One of the most popular summer fish to catch, especially near the boat launch.