

dartmouth/lake sunapee region



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The Dartmouth/Lake Sunapee region of New Hampshire seamlessly blends a vibrant intellectual atmosphere with tranquil natural beauty. This area is a sophisticated and charming New England destination where academic life meets scenic natural surroundings.

The region's outdoor recreation is centered around the pristine Lake Sunapee. In the summer, Lake Sunapee State Beach provides a popular spot for swimming and relaxing, while scenic cruises offer a picturesque way to see the lake and surrounding estates. The Fells Historic Estate and Gardens in Newbury offers beautiful trails and history, and the nearby Connecticut River provides ample opportunities for kayaking, swimming, and boating, ensuring a range of activities for nature lovers.

History and unique local culture are also abundant throughout the region. The Cornish-Windsor Covered Bridge, the longest wooden covered bridge in the United States, is a popular landmark, while The Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park in Cornish preserves the home and works of a famous American sculptor, offering a look into the art and history of the Gilded Age. The Enfield Shaker Museum provides insight into New England's communal history, while the Currier and Ives Scenic Byway allow visitors to drive through classic New England landscapes.

The area is anchored by Dartmouth College in Hanover, an Ivy League institution that provides a cultural hub for the Upper Valley. Visitors can explore the historic campus, visit the acclaimed Hood Museum of Art, or catch a performance at the Hopkins Center for the Arts. The region expertly balances intellectual charm, outdoor adventure, and historical depth, making it a well-rounded and appealing destination for visitors of the Dartmouth/Lake Sunapee region of New Hampshire.

Points of Interest:

- Enfield Shaker Museum (Enfield)
- The Fort at No. 4 (Charlestown)
- Knights Hill Nature Park Trails (New London)
- Muster Field Farm Museum (North Sutton)
- New Hampshire Telephone Museum (Warner)
- The Northern Recreational Rail Trail (Lebanon-Boscawen)
- Sculptured Rocks Natural Area (Groton)
- Sunapee Cruises (Sunapee)

For more info on Dartmouth/Lake Sunapee

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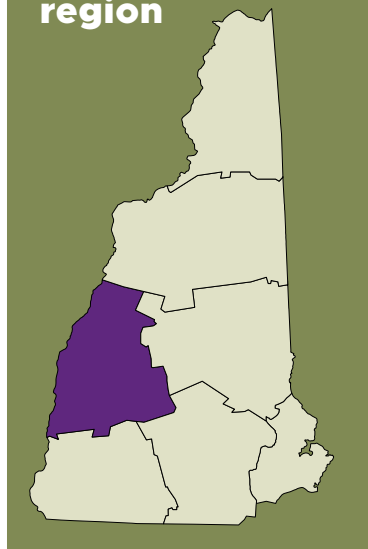
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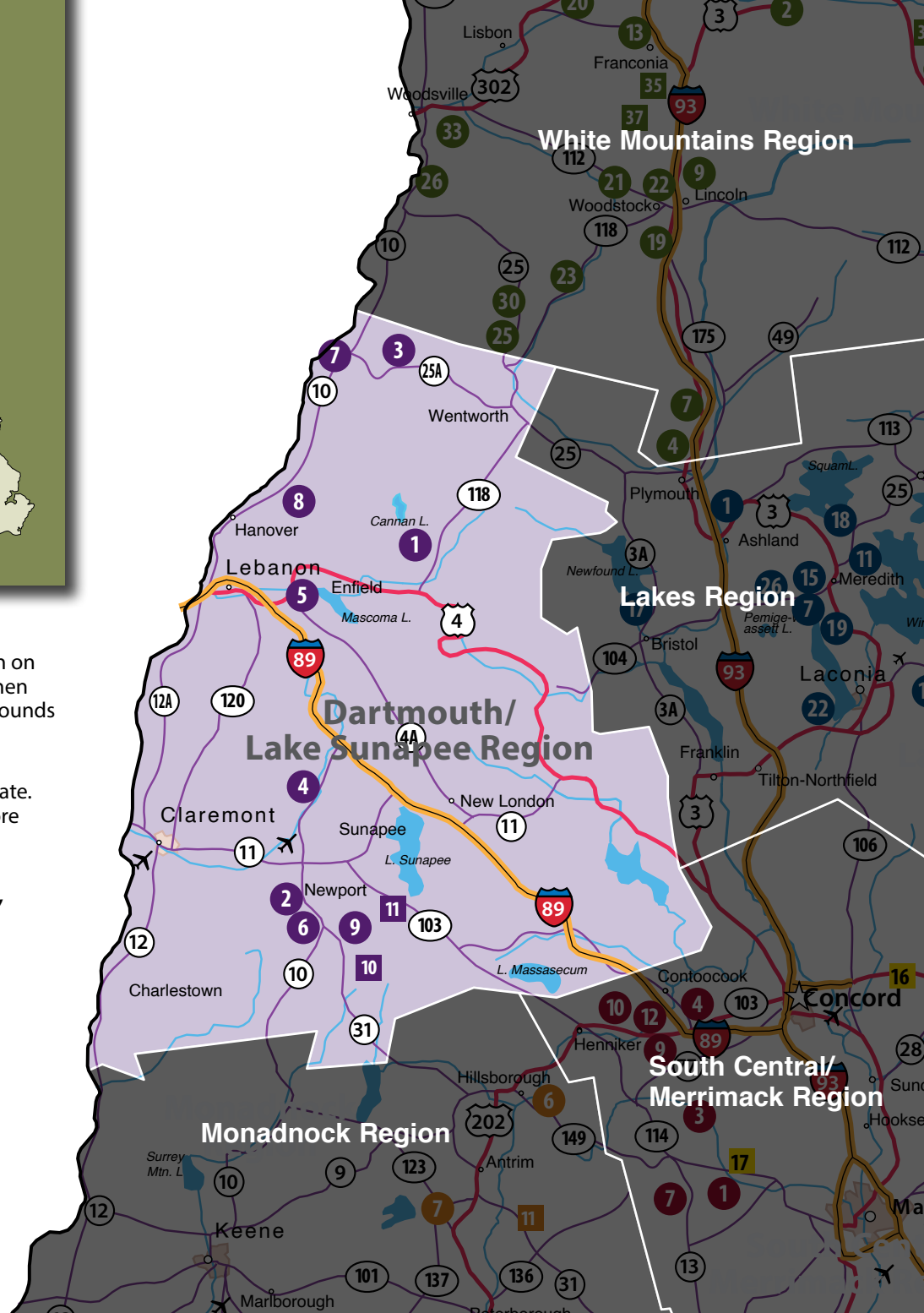
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Notes:

- Pick your ideal location on the Region Map and then check out the Campgrounds in that area using the number code.
- Locators are approximate. Refer to listings for more accurate locations.
- **When making your camping reservation, be sure to mention that you found your campground in the 2026 New Hampshire Camping Guide!**



dartmouth/lake sunapee region private & state park campgrounds

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State Parks

- 10 Pillsbury
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For Rates & Reservations, please call the campground or visit the campground's website.

Dartmouth/ Lake Sunapee Region Private & State Park Campgrounds		Total No. of Sites	Max RV Length	Hookups W/E/S	Max Amps	Dumping Station	LP Gas / Metered (M)	Seasonal Sites	Tenting	Rental Units	Pets (Leashed) (P) / Dog Park (DP)	WiFi (W) / Cable (C)	Laundry	Store	Group Area	Rec Hall (R) / Pavilion (P)	Playground	Swimming	Boating / Water Sports	Marina / Boat Launch	Fishing	Hiking Trails	Bike Trails	ATV Trails	SEASON DATES
1	Crescent Campsites	84	40	•	30		<5	•	•	P	•	•	•	•	R/P	•	N	•	<5	<5	<5	<5			5/15-10/12
2	Crow's Nest	106	50	•	50	•	•	•	•&H	P/DP	W	•	•	•	R	•	P/N	<10	<10	•	<5	<5	<5		Year Round
3	Jacob's Brook	65	45	•	50	•	<5	•	•	P	W	<5	•	•	•	•	P/N	<5		•	•	<5	<5		5/15-10/15
4	Loon Lake	119	45	•	50	•	<5	•		P/DP	W/C	<5	•	•	R/P	•	N	•		<5	•	•			5/8-10/12
5	Mascoma Lake	112	40	•	50	•	•	•	•&H	P	W	•	•	•	R	•	N	•	•	•	<5	<5			5/15-10/15
6	Northstar	91	45	•	30	•	<5	•	•&H	P	W	<5	•	•	P	•	N	<10	<10	•	•	<5	<5		5/14-10/12
7	The Pastures	65	40	•	50	•	<5	•	•&H	P	W	•	<5	•	P	•	P/N	•	<5	<5	<5	<5	<10		5/15-10/15
8	Storrs Pond Rec Area	29	35	•	30	•		•	•&H	P	W	<10	<5	•	P	•	P/N	•	<5	•	•	•			5/12-10/9
9	Tippicanoe	108	Any	•	50			•		P	W	•	<5		R	•	N	•	<5	•	<5	<5	<5		5/8-11/26
STATE PARKS																									
10	Pillsbury	41	35					•		P		<10	<10					•			•	•			May-October
11	Mount Sunapee	11	18					•		P		<10	<10			<5	<5	<5		<5	•	•			May-October

Seasonal rental only • = Onsite <5 = Located less than 5 miles from campground <10 = Located less than 10 miles from campground
P=Pool, N=Natural, Rental Units (Cabins, Trailer, Yurts, Teepee, etc.), H=Hammock Tenting

1 Crescent Campsites

7 Camp Crescent Road, Canaan, NH 03741 • (603) 523-9910
crescentcampsites@hotmail.com • www.crescentcampsites.com
Relax and enjoy our sandy beach on crystal clear Canaan Street Lake where you can fish, swim, or just enjoy the beautiful view.

Directions Exit 17 off I-89, Rt. 4E to Canaan, in the center of Canaan turn onto Canaan Street, turn right on Fernwood Farms Road. One mile to Crescent Campsites.

Amenities Some tent sites with water and electric, 74 sites with full hookups with water, sewer, electric, picnic tables and firepits, 300' of sandy beach, laundry, pavilion, camp store, rec hall with pool table, dartboards and air hockey, playground, horseshoes, and cornhole.

2 Crow's Nest Campground

529 South Main Street, Newport, NH 03773 • (603) 945-1142
crowsnest@camphappygrounds.com • www.camphappygrounds.com/crows-nest
Crow's Nest Campground offers relaxing camping in the Lake and Mount Sunapee Region on the Sugar River in Newport, New Hampshire.

Directions 2 miles South of Newport on Route 10. I-89 North, exit 12 route 11W to Newport Ctr. I-89 South, exit 13 Route 10 south. I-91 in Vermont, exit 8 to Claremont, NH, follow signs to Newport. Note: When approaching Newport on Rt. 103, after passing Mt. Sunapee, avoid taking a left on Bradford Road. Continue on Rt. 103 until you intersect with Rt. 11 going to Newport. Big Rigs should consider using Exit 13 on I-89 and follow RT 10 South through Newport to avoid hilly terrain.

Amenities We offer a total of 106 sites (open grassy or wooded) w/water and electric, 20/30/50-amp service, full hookups and pull-thrus, all w/tables and fire rings. We also offer a dog exercise area, tenting area, tent, cabin, and trailer rentals, a solar heated pool, fishing, recreation building, playground, mini golf, camp store, metered LP gas, laundry, and Wi-Fi.



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3 Jacob's Brook Campground

46 High Bridge Road, Orford, NH 03777 • (603) 353-9210
host@jacobsbrookcampground.com • www.jacobsbrookcampground.biz
We are located on 38 acres in the scenic Upper Valley historic town of Orford, New Hampshire. We are a family campground that is about camping without the commercialism. Jacobs Brook Campground has a quiet family camping atmosphere. No entertainment, loud parties, clean maintained grounds, and strictly enforced quiet hours.

Directions From I-93 in New Hampshire: Take Exit 26 West on Route 25. Left onto 25A at Wentworth. Right onto Route 10 at Orford. Right onto Archertown Road then right onto High Bridge Road. We are on your right just a little way down. From I-91 in Vermont: Take Exit 15 Toward Fairlee, left onto VT Route 5 then right onto Bridge Street. Take a left onto NH Route 10. Right onto Archertown Road then right onto High Bridge Road. We are on your right just a little way down.

Amenities Pet friendly, RV sites and tent sites, group campsites for family reunions and gatherings or groups such as scouts, churches, etc. Peaceful garden in the forest. Nearby Connecticut River and Fairlee, Vermont. Access to I-93 and White Mountains. Minutes to Hanover NH, Dartmouth College, Norwich VT, Lake Morey, Lake Fairlee, Lebanon NH, White River Junction VT, Lyme NH, North Haverhill NH.

4 Loon Lake Campground

5 Loon Lake Campground Road, Croydon, NH 03773 • (603) 863-8176
office@loonlakecampground.com • www.loonlakecampground.com
Loon Lake Campground and Event Center in Croydon, NH, comprises a 40-acre campground alongside a pristine 65-acre lake. Manicured lawns and beautiful views await you with no development on the other side of the lake. A gazebo for birthdays and gatherings as well as an event center on site. A 1200 ft beach gives you plenty of room to stretch out and soak up some sun. Seasonal campers only.

Directions From interstate 89, Take exit 13 (Grantham exit). Follow Route 10 South for 3.5 miles, take a left at Conniston Store (Shell Station) onto Pine Hill Road then an immediate right onto Cash St. — follow for 3.3 miles. At the fork of Reed's Mill Road, take a right for .2 miles and you are there!

Amenities A professionally constructed horseshoe pit for enthusiasts (6 pins), as well as cornhole, mini golf, basketball, pickle ball court, bocce ball court, and croquet court, weight room, slot car track, and a variety of other games and sports for your enjoyment. Weddings and functions can be held at the event center and we have beautiful grounds with a separate gazebo and arbor for weddings. No motors on the lake. Fish is catch and release and for seasonal campers only.

5 Mascoma Lake Campground

92 US Route 4A, Lebanon, NH 03766
(603) 448-5076 • office@mascomalake.com
www.modernamericacampgrounds.com/new-hampshire
Come and relax and enjoy the great views of the Lake and mountains. Perfect place for boating! A family-oriented campground with RV sites; rustic cabins; tiny houses and tent sites.

Directions Exit 17 off I-89 N or S, turn right on Rte. 4. Go 1 mile to Rte. 4A on the right to Mascoma Lake Campground.

Amenities All RV sites come with water/electric/sewer and limited WiFi. Enjoy our private sandy beach and excellent fishing and boating on Mascoma Lake (5 miles long), with public boat launches and wonderful restaurants close by.

6 Northstar Campground

49 Coon Brook Road, Newport, NH 03773 • (603) 863-4001
info@northstarcampground.com • www.northstarcampground.com
Spacious camping on the Sugar River with wooded sites and open field options.

Directions Located 4 miles south of Newport on Rte. 10. From I-89 north, take exit 9, Rte. 103W to Newport. Ignore GPS instructions to take a left hand turn at Bradford Road (to avoid Blaisdell Road). Go all the way into Newport and turn left onto Rte. 10 south. From I-89 south, take Exit 13 Rte. 10 towards Croydon. Follow Rte. 10 south. From I-91, take exit 8, Rte. 11/103 E to Newport.

Amenities Swimming in our spring-fed pond, hiking, fishing, group area, pavilion, Wi-fi hotspot, hot showers, horseshoes, volleyball, and dump station.

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NORTHSTAR CAMPGROUND
Newport, New Hampshire

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Modern Facilities
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uncrowded
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Boston 115 miles
Hartford 140 miles
Manchester 60 miles
Portland 150 miles
Montreal 220 miles

7 Pastures Campground (The)

499 NH Route 10, Orford, NH 03777 • (603) 353-4579
camp@thepastures.com • www.thepastures.com

The most scenic private campground on the Connecticut River.

Directions From Vermont: I-91 Exit 15, off exit on to Route 5 for 1/3 mile, at Bridge, cross Samuel Morey Bridge into NH, turn right and go So. on NH Route 10, for 1/3 mile, just past the sign for NH 25 West on the left side, look for the entrance immediately on your right. From New Hampshire: I-93, off on Exit 26 take NH 25 East to Warren, NH, left on 25A to Orford, quick left on NH Route 10, look for campground entrance on right.

Amenities 65 open sites with trees and grass, 30 and 50-amp service, playground, volleyball, horseshoes, boat launch, canoe/kayak/pontoon boat rentals, pool, river swimming nearby, great fishing (river and local lakes), 40 miles of river boating, free Wi-Fi, cell coverage. So come and join us. Turn off your cell phones and leave all hassles and work at home. Put your feet up and enjoy a quiet and peaceful time with your new friends and family. Your hosts, Doug & Kim Robinson

8 Storrs Pond Recreation Area

59 Oak Hill Drive, Hanover, NH 03755 • (603) 643-2134
www.storrspond.org • info@storrspond.org

Storrs Pond Recreation Area offers camping sites in the woodlands from mid-May to mid-October. We have a bathhouse with hot showers at no extra charge, electrical hook-up for RV's no larger than 35 feet, and a dump station.

Directions From the junctions of Routes 10 and 120 in Hanover NH, proceed 1 mile north on Route 10. At the roundabout, head east on Reservoir Road for 1 mile. Follow signs to turn left to enter Storrs Pond. We suggest that campers over 40' access Storrs Pond by heading up East Wheelock St (1.3 miles) then take a left onto Grasse Road for 1.2 miles.

Amenities Located on the shore of the 13.5-acre Storrs Pond, sites have easy access to the hiking trails, pond and pool swimming, and the urban community of Hanover, New Hampshire. There is also fishing (no license required when fishing from shore), canoeing/kayaking, tennis (as available basis), hiking, mountain biking, disc golf, and trail running all available at Storrs Pond Rec Area.

9 Tippicanoe Campground

1295 Brook Road • Goshen, NH 03752 • (603) 863-8061
www.tippicanoe.com • info@tippicanoe.com

At Tippicanoe, we pride ourselves on offering a clean, tranquil environment where nature lovers can unwind. Enjoy our beautiful sandy beach and spring-fed pond. While most of our guests are seasonal campers, we warmly welcome short-term “transient” campers who are eager to make new friends! Our refreshing waters are perfect for swimming, kayaking, canoeing, or fishing in our state-stocked trout pond. While we love to have fun with special events like live bands, a festive pig roast, and a lobster festival, Tippicanoe remains a peaceful retreat, ideal for those looking to escape the hustle and bustle of everyday life. We are proud to maintain a smoke and vape-free environment, ensuring a clean and relaxing atmosphere for everyone. Our campsites are maintained to high standards, with many offering attractive landscapes to enhance your stay. Situated just 4 miles from Sunapee State Park and Beach, we offer easy access for those with larger boats or who enjoy jet skiing. Grocery stores and restaurants are conveniently located nearby, and you're only a short drive away from the charming Vermont Country Store. Plus, it's just a scenic 90-minute drive to Hampton Beach or the majestic White Mountains. Come and discover your sanctuary at Tippicanoe, where families and friends can truly unwind and reconnect with nature!

Directions for GPS use 1295 Brook Road, Goshen, NH 03752 Brook Road is a connector road between Route 103 (exit 9 off of Route 89) and Route 10 (from Newport, NH) Easy to get to, on all paved state roads.

Amenities At our campground, we strive to make your experience comfortable and enjoyable with a variety of excellent amenities: Modern bathrooms and showers, a laundry room, a spring-fed trout pond with a sandy beach area, a fun playground, and horseshoes. We have fully equipped RV sites; our spacious sites come with 50 Amp electric, sewer, and water hookups to cater to all your RV needs. Fire rings and picnic tables are at every site with sunny and shady sites available.

STATE PARKS

10 PILLSBURY Washington, NH

11 SUNAPEE MOUNTAIN Newbury, NH