THE GREAT OUTDOORS
TURNER, MAINE

2016 COTTAGE RENTAL RATES AND INFORMATION

Welcome to The Great Outdoors! We offer both traditional and nontraditional vacation rental options to meet everyone’s needs and tastes. Our cozy, immaculate dwellings are awaiting your arrival. Let the loons and serenity rejuvenate your spirit here on beautiful Pleasant Pond. Try a different cottage or off-grid rental every time you return! They all have something different to offer, and can even be paired together for something truly unique and memorable.

Turner Highlands Country Club & Golf Course is adjacent to our lakefront spot, and there are many other golf courses and restaurants just down the road a piece. If you do not find what you are seeking for accommodations, just ask, and we may be able to creatively make your dream come true. Augusta, Farmington, Lewiston, Auburn, Norway, Bethel, Rumford, Brunswick and Freeport are all less than a one hour’s drive, and yes, you can get here from there!

The Great Outdoors is the site of the former Camp Naiad, a world renowned summer camp for those of affluence that closed in the early 1960s. Its’ brother camp, Camp Wekeela, is still in operation today as a coed summer youth camp in nearby Hartford, Maine.

Maine’s newest state park, Androscoggin Riverlands, is located just 5 minutes away. This multi-use, 2,588 acre area is open year-round for 4-wheeling, hiking 8 miles of trails, picnicking and wildlife viewing. Also enjoy snowmobiling, snowshoeing and cross country skiing in season. The park is adjacent to a public boat launch accessing the Androscoggin River on Center Bridge Road in Turner, well-known for bass fishing and abounding with native critters along its reborn shores.

Turner (http://turnermaine.com/home.html) and its surrounding areas (www.androscoggincounty.org) are just loaded with things to do. From festivals and country fairs to arts and theater, there is something right here for everyone!

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http://www.facebook.com/#!/thegreatoutdoorsturnermaine

For more information, please view our website, or call 207 224 7061 or 207 212 4581. Office hours are 8:00AM to 8:00PM daily, year-round.

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I. Traditional Rental Options
Formerly dormitories and staff housing, our cottages still reveal the autographs of summer camp attendees dated in the early 60’s, with many quips sure to bring a smile. We strive to offer our guests the rustic feel of years long ago with all of the amenities desired in the present. These cozy, charming cottages offer guests a remarkable vacation experience, with many guests returning year after year. Peepers, owls and fireflies are included at no additional cost!

We offer four classic Maine cottages, each with its own unique features and lakefront views. Families will love the books/games/puzzles libraries located in each cottage. All cottages have their own deck with Adirondack furniture, bonfire pit and wood, and a picnic table. Rentals include use of a canoe and a single kayak, with paddles and life preservers provided. Please bring life preservers for your very young children. (Boat use requires signed liability waivers.)

On-Season
Mid-June through Labor Day weekend
Minimum 1-week stay/Friday 2:00PM to Friday 10:00AM
$100 security/cleaning deposit, plus 9% State of Maine rental tax

Cricket: a quaint, cozy cottage that sleeps up to 6 guests in 2 bedrooms plus sleeping loft (2 bedrooms w/ double beds, 1 loft w/ 2 twin beds); ¾ bathroom
1-2 people $700.00
Each additional guest $100.00

Chipmunk: this open concept cottage is located next to The Lodge and sleeps up to 6 guests in 3 bedrooms (1 bedroom w/ double bed, 2 bedrooms w/ twin bunks); ¾ bathroom
1-2 people $700.00
Each additional guest $100.00

Firefly: just built in 2016, Firefly sleeps up to 12 guests in 3 bedrooms plus sleeping loft (one bedroom w/ double bed, one bedroom w/ queen bed, one bedroom with 2 double beds and 2 twin beds, one loft with a double futon); ¾ bathroom
1-6 people $950.00
Each additional guest $100.00

Fiddlehead: one humungous double cottage that sleeps up to 17 guests when fully occupied, in 5 bedrooms and 1 sleeping loft (1 bedroom w/ queen bed, 2 bedrooms w/ double beds, 1 bedroom w/ 1 twin bed, 1 loft w/ 2 double beds, 1 bedroom w/ 4 twin beds, 1 double foldout couch in living room); double living room, ¾ bathroom, ½ bathroom, screened porch, morning porch, lakeview deck.

Fiddlehead Cottage can be configured two ways, depending on your needs:
**Fiddlehead I Cottage (up to 6 guests/upper section only)
1-2 people $700.00
Each additional guest $100.00

OR
**Fiddlehead II (up to 17 guests/upper and lower sections)
1-6 people $950.00
Each additional guest $100.00

Need more sleeping space? Add the Hummingbird Hut, Wilderness Cabin Tent Palace and/or Pine Cone yurt to any classic cottage rental (reduced package rates are available upon request).
Off-Season
Early May through mid-June or post-Labor Day weekend through the end of October
Minimum 2-night stay
$100 security/cleaning deposit, plus 9% State of Maine rental tax

**Cricket:** $45 pp/pn ($35 w/ event)
(minimum $125/night)

**Chipmunk:** $45 pp/pn ($35 w/ event)
(minimum $125/night)

**Firefly:** $55 pp/pn ($45 w/ event)
(minimum $250/night)

**Fiddlehead I:** $45 pp/pn ($35 w/ event)
(minimum $125/night)

**Fiddlehead II:** $55 pp/pn ($45 w/ event)
(minimum $250/night)

II. Nontraditional Rental Options for the Adventurer
For those guests seeking a simpler experience with a different, personal twist, we are now offering
these additional, unique rental options:

**Hummingbird Hut**
This quaint but tiny living space (a mere 88 square feet!) is tucked into the trees on the back side of
our property, with a nearly 360 degree view of open fields, woods, lake, gardens and fruit trees.
Rustic, simple living, well away from any of our other offerings. Private. Private. Private. The
interior holds a double sleeping futon, a rocking chair and small desk (the last authentic school desk
from Monhegan Island’s one-room schoolhouse), with a teeny loft area for your bedding and other
storage needs. An outdoor deck with chairs, a picnic table, 2 hammocks, fire pit, and access to our
waterfront, swimming and fishing makes this an ideal adventure. Includes a Coleman battery
lantern and a flashlight. A noisy generator is available for those that just have to have one. A
portable alternative loo is available at the hut, and potable water is available for your lugging.
Otherwise, no services are onsite, and the hut currently does not have heat but we are working on
that. What more would one really need anyway?

Hummingbird Hut is perfect for the solo visitor, or for two very close friends and lovers. A great
option for those seeking a “base camp” for day tripping. Chipmunks will love entertaining you,
and will be feeding out of your hands before you know it! The buzz of hummingbirds will awake
you early in the morn, as will the loons giving you a wakeup call (no alarm clock needed here!)
Grab some fresh veggies for your dinner from Chris and Leah’s garden!

**Rates:**
- **Daily:** $ 25 pp/pn plus 9% tax
- **Weekly:** $100 pp/pw plus 9% tax
- **Monthly:** $250 pp/pm plus 9% tax

This fine option does not include having guests in to visit. Just doesn’t work.
Our bedding is available for an additional fee.
BYO C and D batteries, and gas if you want to use the generator
Wilderness Cabin
This remote tent site is completely set up and ready for your use, located shore side away from it all! This gorgeous spot is our most private offering, and is my personal favorite! This is posh tent camping at its best and comes furnished with a 10x10 tent and a full-size air mattress ready for your bedding (or ours, for a fee). Uniquely protected from inclement weather, this spacious abode is set up on a platform tucked under a rustic 1940’s lean-to, complete with a fieldstone fireplace and picnic table that stays dry even in pouring rain (snow, too!). Originally known as The Adirondack Cabin during Camp Naiad’s heyday in the 1950s and 60s, this extremely private spot has a usable water spigot, and an outhouse with a flush toilet and sink with running water (sorry, cold water only). You even have your very own private bonfire pit, two hammocks and a dock on a cove with gorgeous sunsets and breezes. Rocky swimming area right there, or stroll down the path to the shared sandy beach and common swimming area. Includes 2 Coleman battery lanterns, a flashlight, and a Thermarest bed pad. BYO C and D batteries and everything else. Come prepared for a short walk to this site, as it is not directly accessible by car—a garden cart will be ready and waiting for you. Once at the cabin, you don’t need to see another living soul until you resurface for checkout!

Rates:  Maximum capacity on site 4 people
1-2 people: $35 per person per night plus 9% tax
Additional overnight guests $25 per person plus 9% tax
Two-night minimum/weekly rate upon request
Additional overnight tents $25 each 1-2 people (by prior arrangement only)

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Our bedding is available for an additional fee.
Dry firewood not guaranteed but provided whenever possible. Check first.

Pine Cone Yurt
We are partnering with White Mountain Yurts to offer this area’s first yurt rentals. Pine Cone Yurt is fully furnished and ready for your year-round use! Look at these amazing homes at www.whitemountainyurts.com and you will soon be wanting one yourselves! Nothing better than living and relaxing in the round!

Cotton Season (May 15th - Oct. 15th)  Flannel Season (Oct. 16th - May 14th)
1-2 people $80.00/night  1-2 people $100.00/night
Each additional person $25.00/night Each additional person $ 25.00/night
1 night minimum
Weekly rates personalized upon request.
Available all year long! Made nice and toasty by a propane Jotul fireplace.
Age 0-2 years: no charge
9% State of Maine rental tax not included
Dogs welcome in Flannel Season only; $10 per pet per night (2 dog maximum/bring their bedding)
All common pet courtesies apply.
**Important Minutiae**

Cancellations result in the loss of your entire deposit.

Each reservation requires a $100 security/cleaning deposit that we LOVE to return to you. Cottages are fully equipped with cleaning supplies for your use and convenience prior to your 10:00AM departure.

We abide by the LEAVE NO TRACE philosophy. Not sure? Just ask!

Guests in our overnight accommodations provide their own paper products, as well as sheets, pillowcases and towels (or ours can be rented for an additional fee of $15.00 per guest). Bring your own grill, if desired. All other comforts will be found ready and waiting for your use.

Guests ages 0-2 are welcomed at no additional charge.

Discount rates are offered for multi-week or multi-cottage rentals (-10% for 2/3 weeks), or when combined with event packages.

Guest passes for day use only are available for $5 each and can be arranged through our staff.

Gatherings such as BBQs, birthdays, reunions, etc. must, MUST be arranged with us in advance. These gatherings would occur at one of our picnic sites chosen by you in advance, and likely NOT at your cottage. We may be hosting other gatherings on your choice of day that make your gathering not doable.

Our seasonal cottages are warmed by propane heaters, enough to take the brisk morning chill off.

Fireworks are welcomed on July 4th only, and only when properly used and supervised by adults. Liability is that of our guests. Keep in mind that our other guests may not enjoy them quite as much as you do. Arrange with us in advance.

Since The Great Outdoors is a multi-use facility, we are not able to accommodate furry friends. Pleasant Pond Kennel is just two miles away and loves to host your pet while you vaca here with us.

We host many lovely weddings and receptions throughout our rental season. There will be short periods of time, usually Saturday afternoons, when our beach or other selected site will be closed for these private ceremonies. Once photos are done, the beach or selected area then reopens for common use and shared enjoyment.

Beach rules are posted on the beach (where else, of course!) for our guests’ enjoyment and safety. Please review them with the folks in your group, especially young’uns. Oh yeah, young’uns not in the immediate cottage area, especially waterside, do require your supervision.

No lifeguard is on site. Waterfront enjoyment is at your own risk.

Use of water shoes is strongly encouraged.
Additional Thoughts and General Information

Signed rental agreements will be required of all tenants.

Check-in time is 2:00PM or after.

Check-out time is 10:00AM or prior.

Quiet time begins promptly at 10:00PM and runs through 8:00AM for the enjoyment of all of our guests. We are a family focused business, and prefer well-mannered company. Loud late-nighters will be asked to pack and go.

Rentals include shared use of our beautiful beach and swimming area, playground, volleyball courts, tennis, horseshoes, basketball and softball areas.

Our facility hosts many weddings, receptions, and other private events, with most ceremonies being held on our expansive beach. We expect all guests to respect these personal events, and ask that all guests refrain from being in these designated areas at the time of the ceremony and formal photography sessions.

All cottages and off-grid rentals are non-smoking. Ashtrays are located outside for your use.

Sorry, no pets.

Motorboats of up to 15 hp are gladly welcomed. There is a public boat launch available nearby for those who don’t mind daily portage of their boat with larger motors. We do have parking space and are happy to accommodate your trailer. Motorboats cannot access our waterfront or be docked at our facility, due to insurance regulations for the swimming area.

Payment can be made via cash, approved check or money order. Sorry, no credit or debit cards.

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