

MAIDSTONE STATE FOREST TRAILS

North



to  5 mi.

DAY USE
AREA

Maidstone Lake Rd

Maidstone Lake

"A"

Shore Trail

Moose Trail

"B"

Loon
Trail



0 250 500 1000
feet

Trails

Maidstone State Park has three hiking trails to help you explore the boreal forest and lake. All are easy hiking and can be completed in less than an hour. All trails are marked with blue blazes.

Moose Trail (3/4 mile) This is the place to walk if you would like to search for wildlife signs such as moose and red squirrels. The trail leaves from the right side of the road near sites 22/23 in campground area A. You will walk through spruce-fir forest, cross two streambeds and take a sharp left turn uphill. Next you will pass an old logging area and wind uphill through thick woods to the top of the hill. Note the glacial erratics (large boulders left by glaciers) in the forest here. Follow the trail downhill until you come to a T intersection on an old logging road. The right fork leads to the main road. Turn left and pick up the trail again in a few yards on the right. Continue to follow the trail where it ends in campground area B in between leantos Juniper and Boxelder.

Loon Trail (1/2 mile) This trail travels along the rocky shoreline to the south end of the lake, and it is a perfect place to walk to look for loons. The trail leaves from campground area B in between sites 33 and 35. You will enter the woods and quickly turn left heading uphill. Soon you will turn to the right, and level out for a little while and then head steeply downhill towards the lakeshore. Follow the trail along the shore to the end of the lake, and then walk around a short loop, and head back following the same path. You will end back at your starting point.

Shore Trail (1/2 mile) Follow this hike through cedar and hemlock woods along the lake shore. Trail hugs the shoreline between the camper's beach in campground area A and the bathhouse in campground area B.