

## Acadia National Park EarthCache Comments:

**140.** Log Date 9/22/2009: After exploring the ovens in the morning we started the EarthCache, unknowing what to expect. We had a great time exploring the different sites and at least once walked (or more appropriate walk-climbed) trails further than needed by accident. We think this cache is a great tour to explore some very interesting sites in one day (took us about 6 hours altogether); as we stayed only one day here, we don't regret doing this cache ;) Thanks for maintaining the cache and sites (also: very nice of the Acadia Park people to support this cache).

**139.** Log Date 10/7/2009: Found this one on a cool/rainy/windy day. On at least two of the stages, the wind was howling at near hurricane force & the rain was coming sideways. Spent the week visiting the park and since this obviously wasn't going to be a good day for long hikes or bikerides, my wife and I decided to do this EarthCache. Brought me to a couple of places in the park I might not have otherwise seen. Was soaking wet by the end but had a blast. Thanks for the cache.

**138.** Log Date 10/8/2009: This could be one of my all time favorite caches. The combination of the beauty, the physical challenges, the incredibly concrete learning about glaciers, and the puzzle aspect combined to truly rock my socks off. When I approached the last stage, I couldn't imagine that there was anything at the coordinates I had. Whenever I took a look and saw PAYDIRT! I was ecstatic. Hats off to Ranger Stuart for his design of this exhilarating and exhausting quest. :) Must admit...I spread it over 3 days.

**137.** Log Date 10/6/2009: This is an absolutely wonderful way to spend a day in the park. I thoroughly enjoyed the views at the various stages. The geo lessons were also fascinating. If not for this cache one might never know that there were ocean caves several hundred feet above sea level.

**136.** Log Date 9/17/2009: Very, very nice EarthCache. We spent two days on this one, just so we could enjoy the park and many spots .

**135.** Log Date 9/19/2009: This one was lots of fun. Did it over the course of two days while we were doing other caching, hiking and generally enjoying ourselves. A great way to have a "guided tour" of the park!

**134.** Log Date 9/17/2009: Really a nice EarthCache, and if a person did only this cache while visiting the park they would see quite a bit of what makes Acadia special. We split our efforts up over two days while taking in some of the sites we didn't get to on our first vacation to the park several years ago. We too enjoyed the element of secrecy as we hunted the clues in some quite busy places. We hope that it stays secret so many, many others can enjoy it as well. TFTC Forestfuzz, it was one of the nicest of the trip. Be cool Honeybunny!

**133.** Log Date 9/11/2009: I had such a great experience with this cache, even if it DID take me almost a year to complete! [;)] I completed half of the stops on my last visit last October, but knew I'd be back to this wonderful Park to complete the rest on another visit because I simply can't stay away from Acadia. I loved that the cache brought me back to some of my favorite spots, but also introduced me to a new favorite - how have I not visited Cadillac Cliffs before?? What an absolutely gorgeous day I picked to finish the rest of the stops on this visit - it was a crystal clear day, perfect for enjoying some incredible views. This cache also accomplished its educational goal, as I learned a lot about glaciation. I certainly

appreciate the amount of effort that went into creating such a well-done, informative cache, and want to let Forestfuzz know how grateful geocachers like me are for such wonderful experiences in our National Parks. [ :) ] More, please! [ ; ) ] I was so happy to get my stamp this morning on my way back home that I think I might have been the most amusing part of the day for the Ranger who helped me, LOL. Thank you for the terrific, memorable EarthCache!

**132.** Log Date 9/26/2009: My 2900th find! Well, I feel like I've really seen a great deal of the park after this cache. This wife and I spent most of the day (with a couple of detours) visiting all the sites and hiking all the trails needed to complete this one. The weather was absolutely perfect with 100 mile visibility. I had a little trouble at the 3rd stop, but finally found the needed info about 75' away from where my GPSr showed GZ to be. Thanks for setting up this EarthCache and showing us this amazing national treasure!

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**130.** Log Date 9/7/2009: What a great day!! We were able to see and learn new things about our local national park! Fabulous day with our kids and Allagash.

**129.** Log Date 9/3/2009: The Acadia EarthCache is the ideal example of how an EarthCache should be. It took us all over the park, including a few new spots we'd never been before. The activities were informative and fun. We especially enjoyed being on a "secret mission", looking for clues that the rest of the park visitors didn't know about. We spread the stages out over a few days and signed the log on our way out of the park. Thanks again for taking us on this adventure!

**128.** Log Date 9/10/2009: Whoa! This was a lot of work but well worth it, Jean & I did some major hiking and climbing (well, for us anyway), we learned a lot, we saw parts of Acadia we never would have gotten to. 7 hours to complete, we skipped lunch we were so focused. There was one stage where we were not clear on interpreting a clue but we figured it out. Hold on, I don't see a website where I am supposed to email the final answer to this cache - ? Anyway, we do have the official stamp on our park map.

**127.** Log Date 9/13/2009: We spread this out over 3 days, just for the enjoyment of it. The first stop takes a little time to figure out what you're looking for, but once you find the clue sheet at the first stop, the rest are pretty easy to find! The EarthCache does require a bit of moderate hiking, but you'll see parts of the island that 90% of park visitors probably don't get to. We signed the log, got our stamp, and now I'm gonna go print my completion certificate! :)

**126.** Log Date 9/7/2009: Really enjoyed the journey. Completed with the family.

**125.** Log Date 9/2/2009: Enjoyed doing this EarthCache with the family while on a four day trip to Acadia NP. Very well designed and takes you to some great spots. Kids stamps have been washed off (got on backs of their hands) but great memories.

**124.** Log Date 8/19/2009: We absolutely loved this cache! We learned so much about the formation of this beautiful place. Every location was special. Thanks so much for the effort it took to create this cache.

**123.** Log Date 8/13/2009: My daughter (10 years old) and I did this over two days. Perhaps the best cache we've ever found together. A truly wonderful time

**122.** Log Date 8/11/2009: Spread the effort to this cache out over a few days. There's a lot more work to this EarthCache than most but it was fun to do and brought us to some of the highlights of Acadia. Signed the log book and received our stamp.

**121.** Log Date 8/12/2009: Great set of caches some interesting trail hikes.

**120.** Log Date 7/19/2009: Rsgnsr and I spent a few hours during the rain and fog to complete this one!! Had a great time in a beautiful park.

**119.** Log Date 8/4/2009: Do not attempt without a car!!! Spend 2 days getting this one. The first step was able to get to on my sailboat and the rest mostly by the free bus. But there was one stage I had to do a little hitch hiking. Also at one stage ended up at the wrong place and on a very long hike with no cache clue as a result. All great places and take your time to visit all these places! Great Cache!!! Thanks!

**118.** Log Date 8/5/2009: Awesome cache! We did this one over 3 days. Sonic Rabbits West's basic 4 were joined by Grandma, Grandpa, Aunt, Uncle, and Cousin Z. We had 2 kids under 3, and a 7 year old, plus the adults. It was a great way to visit lots of fun places in the park, and to learn something extra. Everybody had a good time. We didn't all make all the hikes, but it was still a great way to do things. Even the non-caching part of the family had fun. [:)] Highly recommended -- it takes a little time, but if you are coming to Acadia, do this cache!

**117.** Log Date 7/24/2009: Been camping in Acadia for 14 years, always finding something cool to do. This time it was this adventure. Learned a lot about why the island looks like it does. Met newbies NineAcres along the way. Got the certificate on the wall. Would love more in the park like this.

**116.** Log Date 7/26/2009: This has got to be our number one fave EarthcCache/caches ever. I just can't believe the places we hiked today. I amazed myself! We hiked over boulders, near cliffs, on top of mountains and near the ocean's raging shore. I don't know which place we were taken to that was the best. It just got better as the day went on. This is a wonderful way to get an overview of the park and we plan on returning to several spots later on. It will take a while to digest all we experienced today. Thank you, thank you for an incredible experience. We signed the NPS's log and congratulated ourselves! This cacher from Ohio is in awe of Maine.

**115.** Log Date 7/14/2009: This series to us to some of the most beautiful areas in the park. We only had difficulty with one of the stops which I think had terrain of more like a 3.

**114.** Log Date 7/27/2009: We never done an EarthCache because they never seemed as excited but this changed our minds. This was awesome! Thanks to whoever put this together!

**113.** Log Date 7/24/2009: Took a little while but this was a great set of EarthCaches, took us to some great spots around the park, recommend highly.

**112.** Log Date 7/19/2009: Took about 3.5 hours to finish. Don't have to do all the hiking...can use your head instead...

**111.** Log Date 7/29/2009: The research and planning involved in this particular cache is certainly impressive. Thanks for taking us to all those beautiful spots. The rain kept interrupting us, but we finally completed it!

**110.** Log Date 7/21/2009: What a fantastic way to see the park. We were able to finish in one day and we had a ton of fun.

**109.** Log Date 7/16/2009: As my family's and my first geo(earth)cache, it was a bit more difficult than it should have been. We made a slight detour on a steep hike, and ended the first day dissatisfied. Early the next morning, we finished the EarthCache. It was great.

**108.** Log Date 7/18/2009: Great fun with this one, once we discovered the clues... Had to back track a few times to grab the next stage, but then, that may not be a bad thing.. Had a great week on MDI and at Acadia, many more miles to go on this great NP. TFTEC

**107.** Log Date 7/12/2009: Had a wonderful time. Brought some future "geo-cachers" with us and they will be back. Thanks for the fun

**106.** Log Date 7/15/2009: We finished this Earth Cache on our way out of the park. The stops were all quite interesting and I would like to thank everyone involved in getting this cache published.

**105.** Log Date 7/3/2009: Made the rounds with MNLoon and enjoyed all of the places we "had to" stop. Certainly a very well put together cache, and thought it was a highlight of our trip, and certainly a highlight in my EarthCaching and geocaching in general. Thanks so much for putting this all together! Cheers!

**104.** Log Date 7/3/2009: Thoroughly enjoyed completing this EarthCache with our caching son Neversummer. Were in the area for a week celebrating our anniversary with our family who all have fond memories of camping vacations at Acadia. Had fun "pre-guessing" where the next stage would take us. Completed all stages and signed off on the official log. Thanks for helping us create more fine memories in Acadia! Excellent cache overall. Hope more of our fine national parks set up something similar.

**103.** Log Date 6/16/2009: This was a very cool adventure. We had to do some serious hiking but it was so much fun. One hike was a rock climb and I loved it. What a workout. I don't think I have given too much away by saying that. It was very educational and took us to several interesting and beautiful places. IT IS SO WORTH IT TO DO THIS. It is easier to do than we originally thought. If you're not sure ask at the ranger station and they can help explain it. No one gives anything away. You still have to do ALL the work, but it is well thought out and it is fun. Thanks for what I know was a long term project to get together. You did a great job.

**102.** Log Date 7/6/2009: Second time for my family and me exploring the Acadia National Park. We started and finished our EarthCache journey yesterday, took us the whole day. However, we spent some time here and there and took a very cool refreshing at Sand Beach. Every waypoint brought us to a very interesting area and the hikes were a blast. Today we received our stamp at the Hulls Cove Visitor Center. All we can say is Acadia Rocks! Many thanks for setting up this very well done multi-EarthCache.

**101.** Log Date 6/23/2009: I learned much during the excursion through Acadia National Park. We visited really nice spots for answering the question. TFTC

**100.** Log Date 6/25/2009: I worked on this one over our six day stay in Acadia. After getting the first one, I tried to incorporate our family's activity into the next stage whenever I could. I also took D. out on his first geocaching adventure to find one of the stages! (We got wet and cold standing in a howling wind on the summit in the clouds and rain! [:P] I appreciated the opportunity to explore Acadia NP this way! And it is nice since traditionals and virtuals are not allowed. I think all the NPs should adopt a similar program! I enjoyed the way the final answer was determined too! TFTC! [^] [^] [^]!

**99.** Log Date 6/27/2009: Got the answer and the stamp. Signed the book. This adventure took us three days to complete. Though we were taking in all sights and lunch/breakfast/dinner opportunities throughout. Not much focus, but when one of the sites was close by, we swooped in and grabbed it. What a great way to visit a National Park!

**98.** Log Date 6/23/2009: We have done this on our last day in Acadia, but I would recommend this one for getting started after your arrival. It covered the most important spots and combined them with hiking and education about glaciers. TFTC!

**97.** Log Date 5/31/2009: TFTC! I think this was my favorite cache on our trip out east simply because of the beauty you get to see while doing something you love! Even though it does take a long time (it says 4-6 hours), it is well worth it!

**96.** Log Date 6/28/2009: Took about 5 hours to complete. Considering the fog and rain, the hikes provided some nice scenery. We had a lot of fun!

**95.** Log Date 5/31/2009: My wife and I decided to go on a road trip out east, starting from IN, caching along the way. This was as far from IN as we made it on our trip. We actually found this EarthCache on the national parks website and completed it without knowing it was an official Geocache as well, bonus! The views and hikes on this EarthCache were amazing. Even though it was raining for a good portion of it, we had a blast. The wind at the highest point was completely ridiculous so we didn't hang around too long, but it was all still amazing. We signed the log at the station and got our stamps. TFTC!

**94.** Log Date 6/16/2009: #952 - Absolutely fantastic EarthCache. Ever since I knew we were coming to ANP I knew this was one of the "have to" caches while in the area. We spend the day getting all the pieces needed to complete the cache. Thanks for giving us a great tour of the park. One we would never have had if it hadn't been for caching!! TFTEC

**93.** Log Date 6/3/2009: We had a ton of fun - maybe not the best cache to take a 20 month old on unless you or someone you are with has strong shoulders!

**92.** Log Date 5/19/2009: After a couple of false starts, we finally caught on and found all five coordinates. We had our granddaughter with us and even though there was no "treasure", she had a good time. This was our first EarthCache, and can't wait for the next one. We have been coming to the Island for the past 15+ years and have been to all these sites, but never had this much fun doing it. And learning so much. We checked in with the Ranger at the end and entered in the logbook.

**91.** Log Date 4/17/2009: My wife and I had an awesome time exploring the park by visiting these virtual geocache sites. It took us two days to visit the entire series of caches and thoroughly enjoyed the hikes involved - very educational. We had the most fun on cache #2 - beautiful view and we recommend cache #3 at sunrise. Pay close attention to the trail markings at cache #4 - there has been a trail added off to the right just before "the pathfinder" which can cause some confusion - trust your GPS.

**90.** Log Date 8/9/2008: This EarthCache was an awesome experience for our family. Following the clues we experienced more parts of the park than we would have just exploring on our own. Thanks for a great time!

**89.** Log Date 10/12/2007: Sorry for the late log. This one somehow never got logged. Such a beautiful place. I love the park!

**88.** Log Date 9/29/2008: This was a terrific cache. We took two days to complete this one with Hurricane Kyle nearby. We enjoyed all the parts of this cache even if we did get very wet and nearly blown away at a couple of spots. We stopped at the visitor center and relayed the necessary information and signed the log. Thanks!

**87.** Log Date 9/18/2008: Visiting from Arizona, found on our 3 week East Coast Adventure! We did this one in a long afternoon. Love the idea of combining caching and national parks. [8D] Provided password to ranger - got our stamp. Thanks for the fun!

**86.** Log Date 10/12/2008: Great way to discover ANP! TFTC

**85.** Log Date 9/21/2008: This was a blast. When one completes the puzzle, there is a special log book, stamp and certificate available. Thanks to this program, I now understand the difference between a fjord and fjard. One suggestion to future cachers: calibrate your altimeter. Acadia Rocks!

**84.** Log Date 9/21/2008: This was a great tour of the park system, and a nice example of how the NPS and geocaching can mesh together. My wife and I spent part of our anniversary weekend doing this cache and had a great time. Thanks to the efforts of those who placed it here, we learned a lot and saw some great scenery. TFTC

**83.** Log Date 9/23/2008: Did this in a little over three hours with a broken fibula. Don't know if we'll frame our NPS certificate or not.

**82.** Log Date 9/15/2008: #1053. My wife and I had a good afternoon completing the caching and getting the geology lesson along the way. This was well done. Glad to see the park service has added geocaching to the experience of visiting this beautiful park.

**81.** Log Date 9/2/2008: Enjoyed this very much and I am grateful that the park service recognizes the geocaching hobby. This cache took me to some places I wouldn't have otherwise visited. My four year old son even came along for most of the journey and loved every minute of it. More earth caches in the park please! I'm sure there are many other points of interest that I simply overlooked.

**80.** Log Date 8/12/2008: Great idea! We completed this on the last day of our stay. It had been raining all night and the outlook wasn't much better, so in the morning we were considering just heading home right away. We decided to drive around some more instead and take a look at a few caches, including the first stage of this one. We drove from stage to stage and found that we had already done all the required hiking on previous days. We learned some about the glaciers along the way and the weather turned out not to be so bad after all. Thanks for this very interesting cache.

**79.** Log Date 8/9/2008: We really enjoyed this geological adventure around the park. Saw some really cool things along the way. SL. TFTC!

**78.** Log Date 8/12/2008: Spent the afternoon caching after our carriage ride....both were very enjoyable....and may I add "Oh my God" to site #2.....this EarthCache took us to places we would never have attempted.....it feels good to step out of our comfort zone...tftc

**77.** Log Date 8/18/2008: What a great time for the family. Took us to some great sites throughout Acadia! Definitely take your time and do it over a few days so you can enjoy the hikes.

**76.** Log Date 8/15/2008: Fun for the whole family. Only problem we had is that it expects that you have a GPS which gives you altitude. Ours (a Garmin Nuvi more at home in a car than on the trail) does not. However, you can guess at the figures required. Wrong guesses place you in the ocean or on the mainland for your next location. Good guessing got us to the end.

**75.** Log Date 8/15/2008: Took 4 hrs but got it ' nice

**74.** Log Date 8/21/2008: Great view and interesting information. TFTC.

**73.** Log Date 8/28/2008: We've been in Bar Harbor for a 10-day vacation and spent our last day doing this fun cache! Thanks

**72.** Log Date 8/25/2008: Our first EarthCache! This cache took us to places we would have otherwise missed. Our whole family enjoyed it very much. SL TFTC!

**71.** Log Date 8/29/2008: Beautiful vista. Nice set of Earth Caches. TFTC

**70.** Log Date 8/14/2008: Found all and registered the final clue at the info center. My favorite was number 4.

**69.** Log Date 8/6/2008: We had a wonderful time on this cache experience--it was like a treasure hunt. Good hiking as well. Thanks!

**68.** Log Date 8/12/2008: First time doing an Earth Cache with friends. On vacation from Pennsylvania. What an experience and the scenic views we had on our extensive hikes. We will do it again.

**67.** Log Date 7/27/2008: This was outstanding. We had the best time and discovered places we never knew about. Keep up the great work. Thanks.

**66.** Hi Stuart, If you are responsible for this Earthcach you deserve an award. This was an outstanding adventure. My wife has been to the park before but this search took us to very exciting places. Thanks. I have two questions for you. Do you have other EarthCaches? We would love to help you create others. Is there a list of others you or your office created? Outstanding work! Ken

**65.** Log Date 7/31/2008: We completed this adventure over several days to earn our stamp and sign the log book. Learned a lot about the park and how Acadia was made. Also learned our way around the park! Definitely could be done in one day, but no need to rush this one! Hope another EarthCache (multi) is in the works! TFT adventure SL

**64.** Log Date 7/26/2008: We did this one over our 3 days in the park and stopped to sign the logbook at the visitor center on our way out. Thanks for an excellent program - we learned a lot! It's a great idea for our national parks.

**63.** Log Date 7/21/2008: Great Hikes!! Great Views! We completed it over 2 days since rain got in the way. Definitely a must do for anyone interested in seeing more of Acadia than the traditional tourist things. Thanks, National Parks, for setting this one up.

**62.** Log Date 7/18/2008: The kids were on vacation on Desert Island for a week and we thoroughly enjoyed this cache. We took our time at all the stages, taking pictures and hiking to see the sights. We learned a lot even though we have some of the same glacial effects in Ohio. We definitely would not have visited a few of the places without this cache. This was very well done and ranks as one of our most favorite caches. Thanks for the fun.

**61.** Log Date 7/8/2008: Great earth cache! We explored new places that were not on the "to do" list. Thank you for setting this up!

**60.** Log Date 7/9/2008: Very enjoyable! We explored the Park via the loop road on the first day, and did the cache on the second. Worked great. Wondered how we were going to get the coordinates for the second cache but it all became clear once we visited the first site. TFTC!

**59.** Log Date 7/9/2008: #231 - One of the best caches we've ever done. The whole family got into it. We learned a lot about glaciers, and were treated to some of the park we would have missed otherwise. This cache was extremely well conceived, and the final answer was a bit surprising. TFTsuperiorC!

**58.** Log Date 7/12/2008: Thanks for the adventure through Acadia. Even though we have visited this park before, we still learned a lot about glaciers from this cache. My children and I enjoyed the interesting method to finding the next coordinates. This was definitely an educational experience in more ways than one.

**57.** Log Date 7/15/2008: This was a super cache to do, and once I place an EarthCache, will qualify me for the Silver pin. I learned a tremendous amount and will enjoy revisiting parts of the park. My wife and I flew from our hometown of Los Angeles on separate itineraries (long story) and this was a breath

of fresh air to do together after the long journey. I have saved my certificate of completion. Thanks, and I hope the model is replicated in other national parks.

**56.** Log Date 7/16/2008: This was a ton of fun to do with the family! We did parts of it throughout our two week visit to Acadia. I've been to Acadia many times and learned some interesting things about the park thanks to this EarthCache.

**55.** Log Date 7/13/2008: The coordinates took us on a nice tour of the park. The kids had a great time trying to find the 'clues' for the next leg. TFTC

**54.** Email submitted from /acad/EarthCache.htm: Thank you for the great cache! We explored new places that were not on the "to do" list.

**53.** Log Date 7/1/2008: This is, without a doubt, the most scenic and most elaborate cache I've ever done. The hikes were challenging, but not overwhelming. The lessons along the way were thorough, but not daunting. The entire process will make this my most memorable cache to date. We took some extra time to do some additional sightseeing along the way, and that made it about a 6 1/2 hour experience. Forestfuzz, thanks so much for leading the way to an outstanding experience.

**52.** Log Date 5/16/2008: WOOT! Excellent EarthCache! JetMonkey and I are up in New England for a long weekend Blitz of "Filling in the States Cached Map", got all six! [:D]. Also visiting National Park sites to collect some NPS Passport Stamps for our books. Total trip around NE was just a few miles short of 1,000 miles, wish gas was still \$1.80 for the journey.[:P] . Got to the first stage easy enough. Looked around, read an info board, took some pics of the lobster fisherman down in his boat bringing in his baskets. Cool. Then JetMonkey and I stared at each other and, "Ok, now what? How do we get to the next set of coords?" [:P] Guess the air in the car was a little polluted with carbon dioxide the last few hours we were in it.... don't seem to be thinking very well.[:P] After a few lungs full of fresh air, we quickly figured it out what we were supposed to do and off we went with our new calculated coords. All the stages were great stops and physically in good shape. The views along the way between the stages were fantastic. Such a beautiful Island coast. Really enjoyed seeing Acadia for our first time ever, being led around with our GPSs. Too bad East Face Trail was still closed after that earthquake back in 2006. That would have been a great stage for this EarthCache and maybe bump the terrain up to a 4 star. [:D] We did seem to have one minor problem with one of the stages, a calculation didn't come out right. It seems a minor instruction is missing. We figured out what we should have done and finished the cache anyway. Terrain rating was dead on, 3 stars seemed right to us Ohio boys. We have hills and rocks to climb back home for caching but not much like this. Quite some huffers we had to hike up today. Phew[:xx]. Great panoramic views from the tops, nice reward for the long hikes. We were pressed for time, didn't get started on the EarthCache until after 12pm and we knew that we only had until 4:30pm to get it done and get our stamp. We were hustling on the trails not knowing how long it would take us to finish all stages. Those huffer hikes we did really wore us down since we did them at practically double time. Go, go, go! [:P] The cache page states 4-6 hours to finish the cache, we ended up in finishing it up and collecting our special stamp at the VC in just a little over 3 hours. [:D] And that's obeying all traffic laws.[:P] During the last few hours we passed up several other caches and cool sites to just focus on this one. No time for distractions! Once we got our reward, we went back around the park again to see parts of the park that we passed earlier. Thunder Hole and Otter Point being two of them, nice stops! We finished the day off at the nearest Lobster pound off the Island, we were starving! Great fresh seafood! Don't get much of that back home. Felt great to sit down too! We were tired! In fact we didn't get far from the Island before we hit a hotel and crashed hard on the

pillows! TFTC! Awesome. Pics on the way. Appreciate the National Parks supporting Earthcaching! Great cache, one of my Top 5% Favorite caches easily. The hiking viking from Akron, Ohio.

**51.** Log Date 6/11/2008: Cache #1000. [:)] I was a bit sorry not to do #1000 in Ohio, with some of the fine cachers I've met there - but life has been busy and as the caches were piling up in ME #1000 loomed. This one looked pretty good. It more than met my expectations. Wonderful, educational, caching experience. As an undergrad geo major, this one was particularly fun. I managed to bike to a few of the sites from Bar Harbor, which made the experience even better. Thank you, Acadia National Park naturalist(s) for putting this cache together!

**50.** Log Date 6/10/2008: Hey, this one was REAL FUN! Completed all the steps - which took me along some trails I know I never would have found - or dared - without the EarthCache. If you go to the Park, be sure to set aside a day to give this one a shot. Even the last step was fun, as I had a nice chat with the people there. Signed the book, got the stamp, and will print out a certificate when I get home from vacation. Special thanx to all who took the time and effort to put this fun multi together!

**49.** Yes, my whole family enjoyed the EarthCaches VERY much! We had a little trouble at #4 with determining the difference in sea levels. Had to re-read the note a few times to realize it was the current wave height. Was thinking sea level is at 0 feet so we subtracted the old elevation with the new and got coordinates out to sea. We felt a little dumb after we realized our mistake and found the last location easily. Thanks for creating the program, and for clarifying the password for the certificates. My kids really liked printing those out with their names on it ;-)

**48.** Log Date 5/25/2008: Wow, a lot of effort was put into the creation of this EarthCache! Thank you for putting it together and educating me about Acadia's geology! We got carried away hiking and made big loops out of all the stages, had a great time, and took a million or so pictures.

**47.** Log Date 5/25/2008: Actually completed this one on May 24th but by the time we finished the Final Location was closed (so we couldn't sign the log book). That's what we get for going on some nice loop hikes around Bubble Rock and Gorham Mountain. I really wish a few more of these EarthCaches could be created to explore the southern and western portions of Mount Desert Island :)

**46.** Log Date 5/10/2008: I spent two days getting this one done. Well worth the time and effort to study the glacial features of Acadia!

**45.** Log Date 5/16/2008: What a great Earth cache to do while in Acadia! Hiking Viking and I arrived at the first waypoint and read the info that was there but there wasn't any info to indicate what the second waypoint co-ords were. We were a bit confused so we search the immediate area and found the info we needed, clever! I loved the hikes and the views were well worth the effort, all in all we were able to complete this cache in about 3 hours and 15 minutes, to do so we did some serious hoofin' on some of the trails! Hiking Viking and I had a disagreement at stage 4 on how to figure the co-ords for the next stage, I read the instructions one way and HK read them another. Eventually everything worked out and we made it to the correct spot. We signed the logbook at the visitor's center after giving them the correct answer which is found at the prior stage and got our special Acadia stamp. Thank you to the people at Acadia NP for their efforts into placing this unique Earth cache!

**44.** Log Date 4/27/2008: Although we knew the park pretty well, we still learned some new things and opened our eyes to geological formations we drove by many times. Finished this a week ago but had to drive down to log it officially. Highly recommend it! [:)]

**43.** Email submitted from /acad/EarthCache.htm: Hello. I completed the Acadia National Park EarthCache on July 4, 2007. I provided the park ranger with the password and signed the log book...I really enjoyed doing this EarthCache, it is definitely the best one out of the 22 I have found. We are already planning our return to ANP next summer.

**42.** Log Date 10/19/2007: We know the park very well so we were able to complete the cache pretty quickly even in the fog and rain, of course we missed all the wonderful views that are to be had along the way :( This is a great introduction to the park as it takes you by many of the main attractions. TFTC!

**41.** Log Date 10/19/2007: Hummer and I really enjoyed this program, although the day was foggy and rainy and we couldn't appreciate the landscape scale lessons presented.

**40.** Log Date 9/21/2007: Our family has been coming to the park for many years, and we've attended many ranger-led programs, but we still learned some fun facts on this EarthCache. Seems like my coords we about 30' off the mark at location 3 (the most crowded one). Muggles must have thought I was really nuts, squatted down there looking in the opposite direction. Hope more national parks will follow suit, since traditional caches aren't allowed. Loved the stamp, too. Our 3-year old junior geographer daughter got her stamp on the back of her hand. Anyway, muchos gracias to ForestFuzz for a job well done!

**39.** Log Date 8/29/2007: GeoDude, Bahama Llama, Just Plain Lynn and I had a GREAT time with cache. We interspersed finding this all the stages of this cache with our other activities so it really took us about three days to complete it. We really learned a lot on this cache and gave us a deeper appreciation of the park and the geological forces that had acted on it in the past. Every National Park should have such a cool cache. Our family is huge fan of our National Parks and we're also fans of Geocaching. Usually these two don't mix too well together. This is certainly a big exception! Thanks so much to the Staff that designed this cache. I'm sure it took a lot of work to get it put together.

**38.** Log Date 10/20/2007: Wow!! This was a great cache...we had some exciting hikes and one in a rain storm...still we pressed on and finished this hunt...I have never seen an area as beautiful as this park...thank you for this cache.

**37.** Log Date 9/8/2007: What a great introduction to the park!! Got us two slightly out of shape, middle aged ladies into places we may have overlooked otherwise. We especially loved Cadillac Cliffs --- nothing like that in Detroit -- not exactly the same as a Cadillac Plant.

**36.** Log Date 9/27/2007: Great day out exploring but I would have never realized the number of people in the middle of the week at the end of September. Location #5 was my favorite. Thanks for the adventure.

**35.** Log Date 9/27/2007: Love this glacial stuff and #5 was my favorite due in part to how many times I had driven by without giving it a look.

**34.** Log Date 9/27/2007: This is a park sponsored cache. It has multiple clues. It is well worth it. I learned a lot about glaciers.

**33.** Message sent through <http://www.geocaching.com>: Just wanted to send a note to say how much we enjoyed the goecache. We have been coming here for years and still had not been to Cadillac Cliffs before. Had a great time, in fact we have found all the caches on MDI. Will be back next September and hope for more in the park. Thanks.

**32.** Log Date 9/8/2007: What a great introduction to the park!! Got us two slightly out of shape, middle aged ladies into places we may have overlooked otherwise. We especially loved Cadillac Cliffs --- nothing like that in Detroit -- not exactly the same as a Cadillac Plant.

**31.** Log Date 9/11/2007: After three days of rain, this cache brightened up our trip. We really enjoyed doing it and we learned something too. We got to some places that we would have missed and took some hikes that were interesting and fun. Thanks to the NPS for setting this up!!

**30.** Log Date 9/2/2007: This is why we cache. Although we had been to most of the locations before, we did not understand the geology of the area. This cache is very well done. We completed the cache and on 9/3 headed for the Ranger station for confirmation. We signed the log and put the stamp in our National Parks stampbook. Thanks for an extremely well done cache. We look forward to more when we return next year.

**29.** Log Date 8/28/2007: Really enjoyed this cache; More geology than I would have noticed had I just done the hikes; Last wp in the dark. Thanks

**28.** Log Date 8/23/2007: Our first EarthCache! This was really well done. We got a new appreciation for the forces that were at work so long ago creating this fantastic place. Thanks for putting this together, we had a blast!

**27.** Log Date 8/23/2007: Really informative and takes you by some great places in Acadia.

**26.** Log Date 7/14/2007: Spent part of the day doing this one with bgrffdave. These are a blast and a great way to learn about areas that we usually just breeze by. TFTC

**25.** Email submitted from /acad/EarthCache.htm: Hi My husband and I completed the EarthCache program on our visit in July-We enjoyed it tremendously! Thank you.

**24.** Log Date 8/21/2007: Found while vacationing in the area. This was a wonderful chance to explore Acadia in depth and gain a new perspective on what we were seeing. Took awhile to find all the spots but well worth it. TFTC

**23.** Log Date 8/10/2007: Fantastic! Should have started this one on the 9th. Revisited many sites and was afraid we wouldn't be able to finish this. Managed to complete this at 5 P.M.

**22.** Log Date 8/18/2007: FOUND! Took 3 days to do, but I finally completed it! :D Was awesome. I especially liked the 4th stop. That was EASILY the coolest place. I took sooo many pictures, so I will post some choice ones. :D Thanks so much!

- 21.** Log Date 8/17/2007: Start this cache early to avoid the crowds, and bring a good map of the area, like the one they hand out at the visitors center. I started after lunch but didn't complete until 6:30 PM, so I'll update this entry once I get confirmation. This is a well-done cache. Thanks!
- 20.** Log Date 8/14/2007: We spent a few days completing this multi cache since we did other caches en route. What a great way to explore the island! Thanks to everyone that has anything to do with this beautiful park called Acadia. I just loved my trip out here!
- 19.** Log Date 8/19/2007: Finished this up today with Team M4. It took us 2 trips to complete it but it was worth it. Great way to see the park which included a couple of new spots. TFTEC
- 18.** Email submitted from /acad/EarthCache.htm: Hi, We completed the EarthCache adventure this weekend and really enjoyed it. We got to see and learn things the average visitor did not. The hikes were fun and provided enough challenge for the whole family. Our 7 years old son, 11 years and 13 years old daughters really got caught up in finding and deciphering the clues. We used the navigation system in our car to plug in the coordinates. Unfortunately, it does not have the same precision as a handheld (e.g. we had to round the 3 final digits to two). So, we were slightly off from time to time, but eventually found the clues. Also, we were not able to take elevation readings which resulted in some educated guessing. I would suggest enhancing the clues for people like us that do not have the handheld units. Still have the original clues for the well-equipped, but provide a backup clue (e.g. Using your foot as a measuring device, subtract the width of the Bubble Rock from ). Thanks again for unique tour of the Park!
- 17.** Mr. West, thanks so much for the earth cache series. We have been coming to Acadia for many years and this is a real enhancement to our enjoyment of the park. We appreciate all the effort it took to put this together.
- 16.** Log Date 8/3/2007: Acadia is such a great place! This is my fourth summer up here studying at COA. Many of the places I had been to before, but I found a couple of new ones doing this EarthCache. TFTC!
- 15.** Log Date 8/7/2007: We loved this adventure! We visited many beautiful locations and learned a lot about MDI. TFTC!
- 14.** Log Date 8/7/2007: Completed the EarthCache along with glen stag. Beautiful stamp in our NP Passport! Thanks for the program; it is very well planned out.
- 13.** Log Date 8/11/2007: Spent the week exploring the island...great fun!! Acadia Rocks!!
- 12.** Log Date 8/8/2007: Had a great time exploring the park doing the earth cache. Even though it was a rainy day, we made use of our ponchos, and had the park pretty much to ourselves. Oh yes, and had to stop for tea and popovers along the way at Jordan Pond.
- 11.** Log Date 8/8/2007: We recently completed the Acadia Park EarthCache and had a great time doing it. It helped us to discover many things about the park that we wouldn't have otherwise. We've lost the web address where we can print out a certificate and are wondering if you can provide it. Thanks for your help.

**10.** Log Date 8/8/2007: Great experience. We saw a lot of the park we probably wouldn't have otherwise. It took us a couple of days as we kept getting sidetracked and going off to hike other trails- including Beehive. [:O]

**9.** Log Date 8/3/2007: Acadia is such a great place! This is my fourth summer up here studying at COA. Many of the places I had been to before, but I found a couple of new ones doing this EarthCache. TFTC!

**8.** Log Date 7/31/2007: Outstanding, outstanding, outstanding! Between working on my kids' Jr. Ranger programs and this EarthCache I felt like I was back in school! Loved every bit of it! Great work. Lost2X

**7.** Log Date 7/18/2007: This was so much fun! A little easy and sites we've seen before, but the series was our first EarthCache and we loved it! The 2 uphill hikes were an added bonus (forcing me to go uphill yet again, good for the hips), and solving the riddle at the end was great fun (with minimal quibbling). We can't wait to do more of these, and thank you to the EarthCache coordinator at Acadia for putting this together! It was a great geology lesson too!

**6.** Log Date 7/11/2007: We spent the week on Mount Desert Island. What a fantastic way to learn about Acadia! Like a previous log, this should be done early on so that you learn the park.

**5.** Log Date 7/9/2007: We took three days to complete the cache. It was a lot of fun and took us around the park. You get to learn some interesting facts about glaciers. The kids really enjoyed the hikes. As a side trip we climbed up the beehive trail...not for those scared of heights! Thanks for the fun cache.

**4.** Log Date 7/8/2007: We started this on July 6 but finished on July 8. This is a lovely idea!! We visited a number of locations which we had never visited in our many visits to Mount Desert Island! Our thanks to the National Park for establishing this!

**3.** Log Date 7/2/2007: What a blast! We found all clues (some quickly, some not so quickly) then we had a lobster dinner to celebrate! We have been spending the July 4th week on Mt Desert Island for several years now and we love it. Thanks for a fun, informative time.

**2.** Log Date 6/28/2007: Completed this cache while on vacation! A great way to see a good portion of the park that may be missed. Thanks!

**1.** Log Date 6/26/2007: This is one of the best planned and thought out caches we've ever had the pleasure of doing! A wonderful way to become even more familiar with a place we already love...I couldn't recommend it more for the family with kids old enough to be careful on the trail. TFTC!