

Acadia Wayside Scavenger Hunt

Waysides are panels that tell people all about the park. A good wayside follows the rule of 3:

- A person can get the big idea of the wayside in **3 seconds** (a catchy title)
- can take away important safety and information in **30 seconds**
- can read the entire panel in **3 minutes**

This scavenger hunt will explore waysides through Acadia on a hunt to solve the secret hidden clue at the end.

You can email pictures, questions, or completed scavenger hunt to:
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Compass Harbor and Schooner Head Overlook

A. Compass Harbor

1. ○_____ Dorr, lived at Compass Harbor. He was the first “park custodian” a title we call today the park

____○_____.

B. Schooner Head Overlook

2. Egg Rock island protects nesting seabirds, such as ○_____ eiders, herring gulls and black

____○_____.



Sand Beach & Thunder Hole

C. Sand Beach

3. Sand Beach is a hub for many different trails: Great Head, the Beehive, and ○_____ Path can all be accessed near Sand Beach.
4. Sand Beach is considered a pocket beach. The rock “Old Soaker” diverts strong ocean current into a ○_____ formed pocket which captures shell material.
5. Sand beach is unique. It is made up of _____○ percent shell material. Evidence of mussels, barnacles, sea urchins, others can all be found.

D. Thunder Hole

6. The best time to see Thunder Hole is ____○ hours before high tide.
7. The ____○ of Maine is an incredibly productive marine habitat because it was once a glacial moraine, and today contains oxygen- rich water, an important ingredient for a productive marine habitat.

Jordan Pond

E. Jordan Pond

8. In the 1800s Mount Desert Island enticed visitors “from away”. Many of these visitors came from Boston and New York and came to the island to enjoy activities like walking, picnicking, boating, and fishing. These people called themselves _____.
9. In 1928, John D. _____ Jr. bought the property and continued to use it as a location to sell tea and popovers and feed visitors to Acadia National Park.
10. Jordan Pond is one of the many historic places in Acadia. Other wonderful places to learn and enjoy the stories and cultures of Acadia include; the Islesford Historic Museum, Baker Island, _____ Homestead, Bass Harbor Head Lighthouse and the Abbe Museum at Sieur de Monts.



11. Jordan Pond is an incredible place to see evidence of glaciers. Looking out at Jordan Pond you can see a “_____” valley between Pemetic Mountain and Penobscot Mountain.
12. Jordan Pond is also a site where glaciers melted and deposited, sands, silts, and gravels creating a natural dam like feature called a _____.
13. Across the street from the Jordan Pond Restaurant is the Jordan Pond Gatehouse. This structure was commissioned by John D. Rockefeller Jr. to service the carriages on the carriage roads. What was the name of the architect of the Jordan Pond Gatehouse? Grosvenor_____.

Bonus Questions:

1. When George Dorr wrote to congress about the unique landscape in Maine that should become a national park he spoke about the history and beauty of the area. What was one aspect of this area that George Dorr was particularly fond of?

Hint: See what word your circles spell out!

The _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

2. If you were to make a wayside, what would you design a wayside about? Write or sketch it in the box below!



Atterbury
Glacially
Rockefeller
Ocean
Gulf
Guillemots
Moraine
U-shaped

Carroll
Common
Rusticators
Seventy
Superintendent
George
Two

Word
Bank

Winter Scavenger Hunt Map

Restrooms are available in Bar Harbor, at Sand Beach, Fabbri Picnic Area, and Jordan Pond.
No food is available for purchase in the park in the winter.

Please use caution on snowy or icy trails and practice Leave No Trace principles.

