

# FISH COMMONLY FOUND IN VERMONT'S WATERS

## BROOK TROUT

*Salvelinus fontinalis*



**Coldwater species**

**Average length: 6-12"**

Vermont's only native stream-dwelling trout. Actually a char, they have worm-like marking against a greenish back, and their flanks are covered with light yellowish spots, with small bright red spots surrounded by blue halos along the lateral mid-section. They have squarish tails, hence the nickname "Squaretails."

## BROWN TROUT

*Salmo trutta*



**Coldwater species**

**Average length: 8-18"**

A true trout that were first brought to Vermont from their native Europe in 1892. They have a light brown overall color, especially in streams, with dark spots intermixed with reddish-orange spots along their flanks, with each spot surrounded by a light halo.

## LAKE TROUT

*Salvelinus namaycush*



**Coldwater species**

**Average length: 15-20"**

A native to many of Vermont's deep, cold lakes and like brook trout, are actually a char. They have a forked tail, white leading edges on their lower fins, and irregular light spots against a background color that ranges from light olive green to gray.

## LANDLOCKED SALMON

*Salmo Salar*



**Coldwater species**

**Average length: 12-20"**

Identical to sea-going Atlantic salmon. They have a forked tail, silvery flanks, and black spots on the upper half of their body. Unlike lake-dwelling brown trout, which they can closely resemble, salmon have no spots on their adipose and tail fins.

## RAINBOW SMELT

*Osmerus mordax*



**Coldwater species**

**Average length: 7-8"**

A small, slender schooling fish found in Vermont's deeper and colder lakes. They have a strongly forked tail and iridescent silver flanks. They are a favorite forage fish of trout and salmon, and are popular with ice fishermen.

## RAINBOW TROUT

*Oncorhynchus mykiss*



**Coldwater species**

**Average length: 7-8"**

A true native to the American West that were introduced in Vermont in the 1800s. Their tail and flanks are heavily spotted with small, well-defined black spots, and their flank usually has a pink or reddish stripe, for which they are named. Migratory lake-run rainbow trout are silverfish in color and are called steelhead.

## BROWN BULLHEAD

*Ameirus nebulosus*



**Warmwater Species**

**Average length: 10-14"**

The "horned pout" are the most common member of the catfish family in Vermont. They have smooth, olive-brown to dark-brown flanks with a sharp, stout spine on the leading edge of their dorsal and pectoral fins. They have a broad, flat mouth surrounded by six whisker-like barbels.

## CHAIN PICKEREL

*Esox Niger*



**Warmwater Species**

**Average length: 15-20"**

A member of the same family that includes northern pike. Unlike pike, pickerel have fully scaled gill covers, and their tail, dorsal and anal fins have no conspicuous spots or blotches. Their flanks are a light, golden green, with dark, chain-like markings.

## LARGEMOUTH BASS

*Micropterus salmoides*



**Warmwater Species**

**Average length: 8-15"**

The largest member of the sunfish family in Vermont. They have a large, round mouth when open, and when their mouth is closed their upper jaw extends well past their eye. Their flanks are light green to golden-green, with a pronounced horizontal bar.

## NORTHERN PIKE

*Esox lucius*



**Warmwater Species**

**Average length: 15-20"**

A long, slender fish that has a large mouth, and dorsal and anal fins placed far to the rear. They have greenish gray flanks with several rows of irregular, yellowish-white bean shaped spots. Pike have scales only on the upper half of their gill covers and their tail, dorsal and anal fins have dark spots or blotches.

## PUMPKINSEED

*Lepomis gibbosus*



**Warmwater Species**

**Average length: 7-9"**

A small, brightly colored sunfish that is representative of a group of fish called "panfish," which in Vermont includes bluegill, redbreast sunfish, rock bass and black crappie. Panfish rarely exceed 10 inches, but they are excellent eating, abundant and fun to catch for anglers of all ages.

## SMALLMOUTH BASS

*Micropterus dolomieu*



**Warmwater Species**

**Average length: 8-15"**

Closely related to largemouth bass, except they prefer cooler, clearer waters and when their mouth is closed their upper jaw extends only to just below their eye. Their flanks are golden green to brownish bronze, with 8 to 15 dark, thin vertical bars.

## YELLOW PERCH

*Perca flavescens*



**Warmwater Species**

**Average length: 4-10"**

One of Vermont's favorite food fishes and common to waters throughout the state. A schooling fish, yellow perch have golden-yellow flanks with 6 to 8 dark vertical bars. In the late winter and early spring, spawning males develop bright orange lower fins.

## WALLEYE

*Stizostedion vitreum*



**Warmwater Species**

**Average length: 13-21"**

The largest member of the perch family that includes yellow perch and sauger. They have a large, silvery eye, a milky belly and flanks that range from olive brown to golden-yellow. Walleye can be differentiated from sauger, which they closely resemble, by their first dorsal fin, which is dusky colored and spotless.



# WHERE THE FISH ARE



## CHAMPLAIN VALLEY

Lakes & Ponds	MAP NUMBER	ACREAGE	ACCESS	Species																	
				LANDLOCKED BROOK TROUT	RAINBOW TROUT	RAINBOW SALMON	YELLOW PERCH	NORTHERN PIGGIE	SMALLMOUTH BASS	LARGEMOUTH BASS	CHAIN PICKEREL	WALLEYE	BULLHEAD	CRAPPIE	PANFISH						
Arrowhead Mountain Lake	1	760	Ut																		
Lake Carmi	2	1,402	St																		
Cedar Lake (Monkton Pond)	5	123	St																		
Lake Champlain	1,59	279,067	Xt																		
Colchester Pond	1,5	186	Mc																		
Dead Creek	5	753	Scr																		
Lake Dunmore	9	985	St																		
East Creek Site #1	9	31	St																		
Fairfield Pond	1	446	Sud																		
Fern Lake	9	69	Mc																		
Indian Brook Reservoir	5	50	Mc																		
Lake Iroquois	5	243	St																		
Long Pond	2	97	Pc																		
Long Pond	1	47	Pf																		
Metcalf Pond	2	81	Mc																		
Richville Pond	9	129	Sc																		
Shelburne Pond	5	452	St																		
Silver Lake	9	101	Scr																		
Sugar Hill Reservoir	9	63	Uf																		
Sunrise Lake	9	57	Pc																		
Sunset Lake	9	202	Ut																		
Winona Lake (Bristol Pond)	5	248	St																		

### Rivers & Streams

Rivers & Streams	LANDLOCKED BROOK TROUT	RAINBOW TROUT	RAINBOW SALMON	YELLOW PERCH	NORTHERN PIGGIE	SMALLMOUTH BASS	LARGEMOUTH BASS	CHAIN PICKEREL	WALLEYE	BULLHEAD	CRAPPIE	PANFISH
Browns River												
Hubbardton River												
Huntington River												
Lamoille River												
Lamoille River North Branch												
Lemon Fair River												
Lewis Creek												
Little Otter Creek												
Middlebury River												
Missisquoi River												
New Haven River												
Otter Creek												
Rock River												
Trout River												
Tyler Branch												
Winooski River												



## CENTRAL REGION

Lakes & Ponds	MAP NUMBER	ACREAGE	ACCESS	Species																	
				LANDLOCKED BROOK TROUT	RAINBOW TROUT	RAINBOW SALMON	YELLOW PERCH	NORTHERN PIGGIE	SMALLMOUTH BASS	LARGEMOUTH BASS	CHAIN PICKEREL	WALLEYE	BULLHEAD	CRAPPIE	PANFISH						
Buck Lake	7	39	Sc																		
Curtis Pond	6	72	St																		
East Long Pond	7	188	Pf																		
Lake Eden	2	194	St																		
Lake Elmore	6	219	St																		
Ewell Pond	7	51	St																		
Forest Lake (Nelson Pond)	7	133	St																		
Fosters Pond	7	61	St																		
Green River Reservoir	2	554	Sc																		
Lake Greenwood	7	80	St																		
Lake Groton	7	385	Sr																		
Halls Lake	7	85	Mt																		
Harveys Lake	7	351	St																		
Joes Pond	7	396	St																		
Keiser Pond	7	33	St																		
Kettle Pond	7	109	Sf																		
Levi Pond	7	22	Sf																		
Marshfield Pond	7	68	Pc																		
Martins Pond	7	82	St																		
Lake Mirror (No. 10 Pond)	7	85	St																		
Molly's Falls Reservoir	7	397	St																		
Molly's Pond	7	38	Pf																		
Nichols Pond	7	171	Pc																		
North Montpelier Pond	7	72	St																		
Noyes Pond (Seyon Pond)	7	39	Sr																		
Osmore Pond	7	48	Sfn																		
Peacham Pond	7	340	St																		
Ricker Pond	7	92	Sc																		
Sabin Pond (Woodbury Lake)	7	142	St																		
Ticklenaked Pond	7	54	St																		
Valley Lake (Dog Pond)	7	88	Scn																		
Waterbury Reservoir	6	859	St																		
Wolcott Pond	3	74	St																		
Wrightsville Reservoir	6	190	St																		

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Dog River												
Gihon River												
Mad River												
Waits River												
Waterbury River												
Winooski River Kingsbury Branch												
Winooski River North Branch												
Wells River												

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## NORTHEAST KINGDOM

### Lakes & Ponds

Lakes & Ponds	MAP NUMBER	ACREAGE	ACCESS	FISH SPECIES													
				RAINBOW BROOK TROUT	LANDLOCKED SALMON	RAINBOW TROUT	YELLOW SMELT	WALLEYE	NORTHERN PERCH	CHAIN PICKEREL	LARGEMOUTH BASS	SMALLMOUTH BASS	BULLHEAD	PANFISH	BURBOT		
Baker Pond	3	51	Sud	•													
Bald Hill Pond	3	108	St	•													
Bean Pond	3	30	Sc	•													
Beaver Pond	4	40	Sf	•													
Beck Pond	4	6	Sud	•													
Blake Pond	3	8	Sf	•													
Brown Pond	3	15	Sud	•													
Brownington Pond	3	139	St							•							
Caspian Lake	3	789	Mt	•	•	•	•	•	•								
Center Pond	4	79	St	•													
Charleston Pond	3	40	Uc							•	•	•	•				
Clyde Pond	3	186	Uc							•	•	•	•	•			
Coles Pond	7	125	Mc							•	•	•	•				
Comerford Reservoir	7	777	Ut	•	•					•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Cow Mountain Pond	4	10	Mf	•													
Crystal Lake	3	763	St	•	•					•	•	•	•	•			
Daniels Pond	3	66	St							•	•	•	•				
Dennis Pond	4	49	Pf							•	•	•	•				
Derby Pond	3	207	St							•	•	•	•				
Dolloffs Pond	3	3	Sc	•													
Duck Pond	3	8	Sc	•													
Echo Lake	3	550	St	•	•					•							
Flagg Pond	3	111	Sud							•	•	•	•				
Great Averill Lake	4	828	St	•	•					•	•	•	•	•			
Great Hosmer Pond	3	140	Mt							•	•	•	•				
Halfway Pond	4	22	Sf							•							
Hardwick Lake	7	145	Sc							•	•	•	•				
Hartwell Pond	3	16	Pf	•													
Holland Pond	4	325	St	•						•	•	•	•				
Horse Pond	3	32	St							•	•	•	•				
Island Pond	4	626	St	•	•					•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Jobs Pond	3	39	St	•													
Lake Elligo	3	174	St	•	•					•	•	•	•				
Lake Memphremagog	3	5,966	Xt	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Lake Parker	3	250	St	•						•	•	•	•				
Lake Willoughby	3	1,653	St	•	•	•	•										
Lewis Pond	4	68	Gc	•													
Little Averill Pond	4	467	Pt	•	•												
Little Elmore Pond	6	24	Pf	•													
Little Hosmer Pond	3	180	St							•	•	•	•				
Long Pond	3	38	Sf							•							
Long Pond	3	90	St							•	•	•	•				
Long Pond	3	100	Sc	•	•												
Lower Symes Pond	7	57	Sc							•	•	•	•				
Lyford Pond	7	33	St							•	•	•	•				
Mackville Pond	7	11	Mc	•													
Maidstone Lake	4	745	St	•	•					•							
Marl Pond	3	10	Pc	•													

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May Pond	3	116	St	•													
McConnell Pond	4	87	Pf														
Miles Pond	8	215	St														
Moore Reservoir	4	1,235	Ut	•	•					•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Neal Pond	8	185	St							•	•	•	•	•			
Nelson Pond	7	132	Sc							•							
Newark Pond	3	153	St	•						•							
Norton Pond	4	583	St							•	•	•	•				
Notch Pond	4	22	Sc	•													
Nulhegan Pond	4	37	Pf														
Paul Stream Pond	4	20	Pf														
Pensioner Pond	3	173	St							•	•	•	•				
Perch Pond	2	7	Pc	•													
Round Pond	3	14	Sf														
Round Pond	3	13	Sf														
Salem Lake	3	764	St							•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Seymour Lake	3	1,769	St							•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Shadow Lake	8	128	St							•	•	•	•				
Shadow Lake	3	218	St	•	•					•	•	•	•				
South America Pond	4	29	Sf	•													
Spectacle Pond	4	103	St							•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Stannard Pond	7	25	Sf	•													
Sukes Pond	4	9	Pf	•													
Turtle Pond	4	27	Sf														
Unknown Pond	4	19	Pf	•													
Unknown Pond	4	12	Sf	•													
Upper Symes Pond	7	20	Sf														
Vail Pond	3	16	Sud	•													
Wallace Pond	4	532	St							•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
West Mountain Pond	4	60	Sc	•													
Wheeler Pond	3	15	Sc	•													
Zack Woods Pond	2	23	Pc	•													

### Rivers & Streams

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Barton River	•	•	•					•				
Black River	•	•	•					•	•			•
Clyde River	•	•	•	•				•	•			•
Connecticut River	•	•	•	•				•	•	•	•	•
Granby Stream	•											
Lamoille River	•	•	•									
Madison Brook	•											
Millers Run	•		•									
Missisquoi River	•	•	•									
Moose River	•		•									
Nulhegan River	•		•									
Nulhegan River Black Branch	•											
Nulhegan River East Branch	•											
Nulhegan River North Branch	•											
Paul Stream	•											
Passumpsic River	•	•	•									
Passumpsic River East Branch	•	•										
Passumpsic River West Branch	•	•										
Stevens River	•		•									
Willoughby River	•	•	•									

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## SOUTHEAST REGION

Lakes & Ponds	MAP NUMBER	ACREAGE	ACCESS	Species													
				RAINBOW BROOK TROUT	LANDLOCKED SALMON	RAINBOW TROUT	YELLOW PERCH	SMALLMOUTH BASS	LARGEMOUTH BASS	NORTHERN PIKEREL	WALLEYE	SMALLMOUTH BASS	BULLHEAD	CRAPPIE			
Amherst Lake	13	81	St	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Ansel Pond	10	2	Sc	•													
Baker Pond	10	31	St	•				•				•			•		•
Colby Pond	13	20	St	•													
Echo Lake	13	104	St	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Gale Meadows Pond	13	195	St					•				•			•		•
Grout Pond	14	84	Gc					•				•			•		•
Harriman Reservoir	14	2,040	Ut	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Knapp Brook #1	13	25	St	•	•												
Knapp Brook #2	13	35	St	•	•												
Lake Fairlee	11	457	St	•	•		•	•			•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Lake Morey	11	547	St					•			•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Lake Ninevah	13	170	St	•				•			•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Lake Raponda	15	121	St	•							•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Lowell Lake	13	109	Sc					•			•	•	•	•	•	•	•
McIntosh Pond	10	23	St	•	•							•			•		•
Mill Pond (Kennedy's Pond)	13	77	Mt	•	•			•				•			•		•
Mill Pond (Parson's Mill Pond)	9	39		•	•			•									
Miller Pond	11	64	St	•	•							•			•		•
North Hartland Reservoir	11	215	Gt	•				•				•			•		•
North Springfield Reservoir	13	290	Gc					•				•			•		•
Rescue Lake	13	180	St	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Rood Pond	6	23	St	•				•				•			•		•
Sadawga Pond	14	194	St									•	•	•	•	•	•
Sherman Reservoir	14	160	Ut	•	•			•				•			•		•
Silver Lake	10	84	Scr					•			•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Somerset Reservoir	14	1,568	Ut	•				•				•			•		•
South Pond	15	68	Snt	•	•												
Star Lake	13	63	Mt	•				•				•			•		•
Stoughton Pond	13	56	Gt	•				•				•			•		•
Sunset Lake	10	25	Pc	•	•			•				•	•	•	•	•	•
Sunset Lake	15	96	Mcn					•				•			•		•
Townshend Reservoir	15	108	Gt	•				•				•			•		•
Vernon Hatchery Pond	15		S	•	•												
Wallingford Pond	12	87	Gf					•				•			•		•
Weatherhead Hollow Pond	15	33	Srt					•				•			•		•
Woodward Reservoir	13	106	St	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

### Rivers & Streams

Rivers & Streams	RAINBOW BROOK TROUT	LANDLOCKED SALMON	RAINBOW TROUT	YELLOW PERCH	SMALLMOUTH BASS	LARGEMOUTH BASS	NORTHERN PIKEREL	WALLEYE	SMALLMOUTH BASS	BULLHEAD	CRAPPIE
Black River	•	•	•								•
Connecticut River	•	•	•			•	•	•	•	•	•
Deerfield River	•	•	•								
Ompompanoosuc River	•	•	•								
Ottawaquechee River	•	•	•								
Saxtons River	•	•	•								
West River	•	•	•								•
White River	•	•	•								•
1st Branch White River	•	•	•								
2nd Branch White River	•	•	•								
3rd Branch White River	•	•	•								
Williams River	•	•	•								•



## SOUTHWEST REGION

Lakes & Ponds	MAP NUMBER	ACREAGE	ACCESS	Species													
				RAINBOW BROOK TROUT	LANDLOCKED SALMON	RAINBOW TROUT	YELLOW PERCH	SMALLMOUTH BASS	LARGEMOUTH BASS	NORTHERN PIKEREL	WALLEYE	SMALLMOUTH BASS	BULLHEAD	CRAPPIE			
Beebe Pond	14		Gc	•							•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Bourn Pond	12	48	Gf	•													
Branch Pond	14	34	Sc	•													
Burr Pond	9	85	St									•	•	•	•	•	•
Chipman Lake (Tinmouth Pond)	12	79	Pc									•	•	•	•	•	•
Chittenden Reservoir	10	702	St									•	•	•	•	•	•
Colton Pond	10	27	St	•								•			•		•
Danby Pond	12	56										•	•	•	•	•	•
Dufresne Dam	12	12	Sc	•	•												
Emerald Lake	12	28	Sf									•	•	•	•	•	•
Glen Lake	9	206	Sf	•								•	•	•	•	•	•
Half Moon Pond	9	23	Sc	•								•			•		•
Hancock Lake (Sucker Pond)	14	51	Mf									•			•		•
Kent Pond	10	99	St	•	•										•		•
Lake Bomoseen	9	2,360	St									•	•	•	•	•	•
Lake Hortonia	9	479	St									•	•	•	•	•	•
Lake Paran	14	40	Snt	•								•	•	•	•	•	•
Lake Shaftsbury	14	27	Sc	•								•			•		•
Lake St. Catherine	12	904	Srt	•	•							•	•	•	•	•	•
Little Pond	12	162	St									•	•	•	•	•	•
South Stream Pond	14	24	Snt	•	•							•			•		•
Stratton Pond	12	46	Gf	•													

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Batten Kill			•	•							
Batten Kill West Branch			•	•							
Castleton River			•	•							
Clarendon River			•	•							
Cold River			•	•							
Green River			•	•							
Hoosic River			•	•							
Mettawee River			•	•							
Mill River			•	•							
Poultney River			•	•						•	
Walloomsac River			•	•							