

The Appalachian Trail in Maine Stratton to Monson



August 30 - September 4, 2010

The Appalachian Trail in Maine

Stratton to Monson

August 30: Stratton to Safford Notch Tentsite

August 31: Safford Notch Tentsite to West Carry Pond Lean-to

September 1: West Carry Pond Lean-to to Pierce Pond Lean-to

September 2: Pierce Pond Lean-to to Moxie Pond

September 3: Moxie Pond to Horseshoe Canyon Lean-to

September 4: Horseshoe Canyon Lean-to to Monson

September 5: Zero Day in Monson

Stratton to Safford Notch Tentsite

August 30

10.4 Miles



Bridge over Stratton Brook



Beaver dam



The trail up Bigelow Mountain



Horn Pond and North and South Horn



Horn Pond



West Peak from South Horn



West Peak



North and South Horn from West Peak



West Peak and Avery Peak



The summit of Avery Peak



West Peak from Avery Peak



Little Bigelow Mountain from Avery Peak

Safford Notch Tentsite to West Carry Pond Lean-to

August 31

12.2 Miles



Looking ahead to Little Bigelow Mountain



A birch leaf in a spruce tree



Flagstaff Lake



Flagstaff Lake



Mushrooms



Hobblebush



Hobblebush



Berry



West Carry Pond Lean-to



West Carry Pond



West Carry Pond

West Carry Pond Lean-to to Pierce Pond Lean-to

September 1

10.0 Miles



West Carry Pond at sunrise



Flowers



West Carry Pond



The trail along West Carry Pond



Bog bridge



The trail along East Carry Pond



East Carry Pond



Bog



Mushroom



Pierce Pond



Falls on Pierce Pond Stream



Pierce Pond Lean-to at sunset



Pierce Pond at sunset



Pierce Pond at sunset



Pierce Pond at sunset



Pierce Pond at sunset



Pierce Pond at sunset

Pierce Pond Lean-to to Moxie Pond

September 2

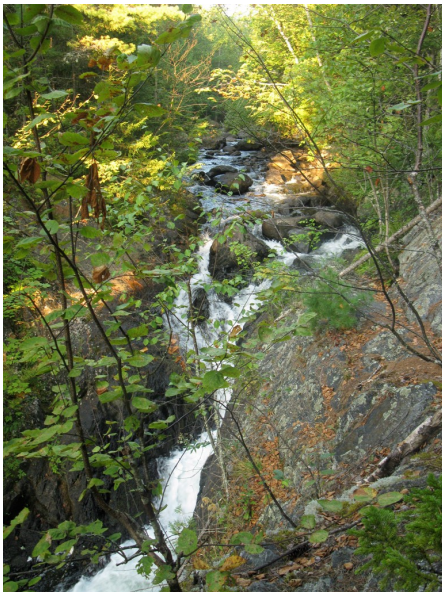
15.9 Miles



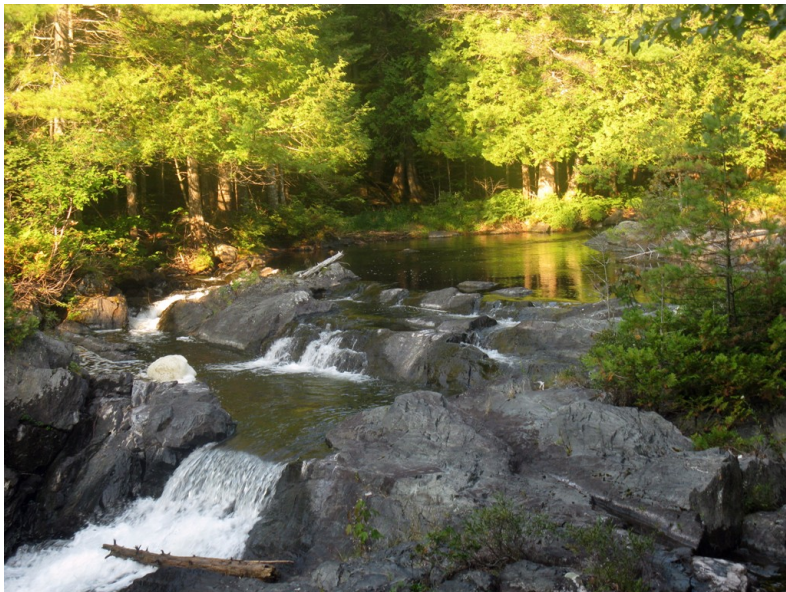
Pierce Pond



Falls on Pierce Pond Stream



Falls on Pierce Pond Stream



Falls on Pierce Pond Stream



Purple thistle



Flowers



Sunshine and morning mist on the trail



The Kennebec River



The Kennebec River



Touch-me-nots



A frog



“Frenchy” boarding the ferry



“Frenchy” and “So Far” being ferried across



Fall colors in the ground cover



Flower



Berries



Moxie Pond



Asters and Goldenrod

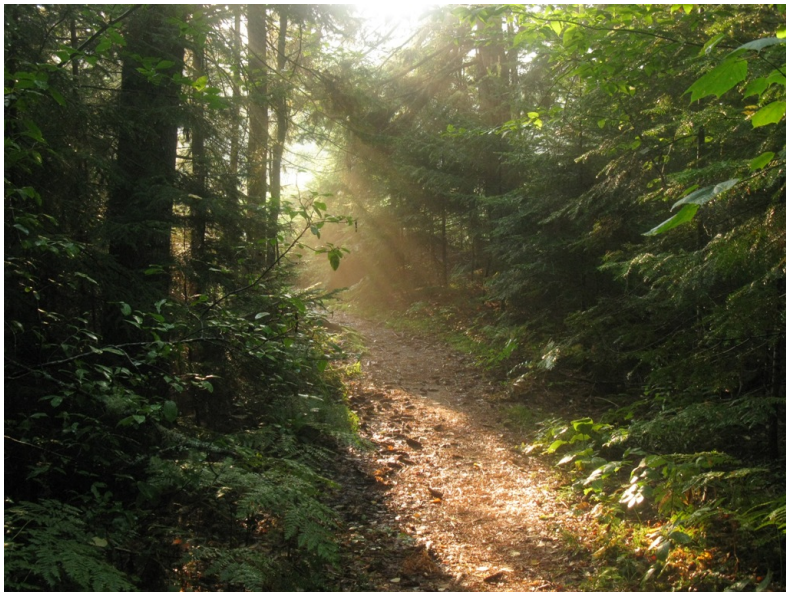
Moxie Pond to Horseshoe Canyon Lean-to
September 3
15.8 Miles



Moxie Pond at sunrise



Asters



Sunshine and morning mist in the trail



Ferns showing fall color



Hobblebush



A beaver pond



The summit of Moxie Bald



The summit of Moxie Bald



Bald Mountain Pond



Crossing West Branch Piscataquis River



The trail through a birch forest



West Branch Piscataquis River



Red maple leaves



Flowers



College students at Horseshoe Canyon Lean-to

Horseshoe Canyon Lean-to to Monson

September 4

9.0 Miles



Crossing East Branch Piscataquis River



The trail along a woods road



Lake Hebron



Lake Hebron

Zero Day in Monson

September 5

0.0 Miles



Shaw's hiker hostel



Monson General Store



Monson Community Church



Mary, Cindy, and "Wolfie" at the Spring Creek Bar-B-Q



Business hours at the Spring Creek Bar-B-Q



Rainbow near Monson

The End