



Structures: Where to Fish in Lakes & Ponds

Cliffs & Shore Banks

A sheer cliff or bank that goes straight down into deep water provides no structure, but one with an underwater shelves or a gradual slope toward deeper water does attract fish.



Weed Beds

Weed beds provide food and shelter for bait fish, which attract game fish. Look for weed beds that lead to deeper water and create a break line.

Sunken Islands

These bodies of land will attract both bait fish and game fish if they create a break line where the land slopes gradually down into deeper water.



Drift Lines with Wind

Have you ever noticed lines on the water during a breezy day? The breeze is actually pushing surface water around the lake which pushes surface food around. Look for the drift lines and you'll find fish.



Rocks

Rocks are often the best fishing places because they provide fish with shelter (cover), food and a possible place to mate.

Holes

Holes are glacially formed basins that are lower than the rest of the lake. Water in holes is cooler, attracting deep-water fish on hot, summer days.



Points with Break Lines

A point extends out from the shoreline and slopes gradually down and into deeper water. It is a good place to fish. But a point with a quick drop-off or one that doesn't extend into deeper water isn't a good fishing place.

- The sloping-out formation of a point creates a break line.
- A break line draws fish from deeper water to shallow water in search of food.
- Fish the tip of the point and the corners of the point.



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