



## PRESS KIT

1 Big Sustainable Island (1BSI) · Annabessacook Lake, Maine

## PRIVATE ISLAND STAYS

# Downeast hospitality on a Maine lake.

## Resetting humans, one island at a time.

1BSI is a non-profit community dedicated to inspiring the naturally curious to explore, create, and enjoy island life. Guests unplug on a private island with simple arrival by paddle or ferry, a down-to-earth welcome, and off-grid comfort.



## Quick Facts

### Location

Annabessacook Lake,  
Monmouth, ME 04259  
About 1 hour north of  
Portland · 10 miles  
from Augusta

### Access

Arrive by boat,  
paddlecraft, or  
seasonal ferry. Free  
parking available on  
shore.

### Mission

A non-profit  
community inspiring  
the naturally curious  
to explore, create,  
and enjoy island life.

### Stays

Cabin, treehouse,  
tent, dome, and a  
floating waterhouse.

### Included

Gear transport, canoe  
or two kayaks with life  
jackets, firewood,  
fishing poles and gear,  
drinking water.

### Public Access

Open to day visitors  
from sunrise to sunset;  
overnight use after  
sunset.

## Story Angles

- Private island on a Maine lake with a paddle-or-ferry arrival.
- Off-grid made easy: loons, campfires, and a fully supported landing.
- Non-profit hospitality that blends access, stewardship, and rest.
- Island stays for families, retreats, and creative escapes.

### NOTABLE COVERAGE

ABC  
News  
segment

WMTW  
feature

Only In  
Your  
State

## What Makes 1BSI Different

Island life here is intentionally simple and welcoming. Canoes, kayaks, a regular ferry, and docks for your own boat make arrival easy. Trails, hammocks, a rope swing, and shoreline views set the pace.

Guests pack food and personal items; the island provides the gear, the transport, and the quiet.

## Arrival + Amenities Snapshot

**Arrival options:** Bring your own boat, paddle across in a canoe or kayak, or use the seasonal ferry service. Free parking and gear carts on shore.

### **Included with overnight stays:**

- Secure parking and gear transport
- Canoe or two kayaks with life jackets
- Firewood
- Fishing poles and gear
- Drinking water

Guests bring food, clothing, and personal items. Off-grid basics and a warm welcome are provided.

## Photography + Film

1BSI has hosted ABC News, YouTube creators, music video backdrops, and local photographers. Custom quotes include transportation for crew and gear, on-island support, and access to island facilities.

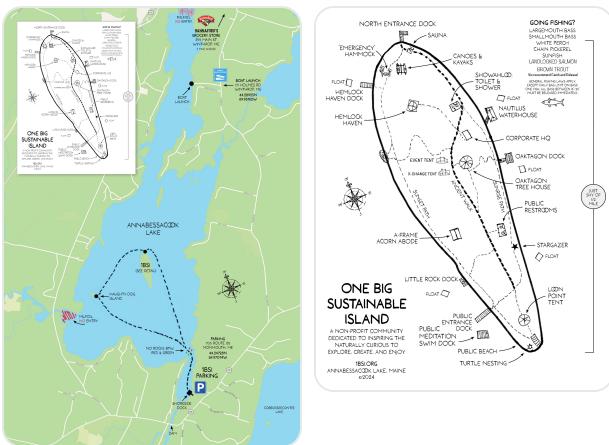
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## Island Images



Additional high-resolution images are available on request.

## Maps + Visual Assets



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1 Big Sustainable Island is a privately owned island with public daytime access and mission-led overnight stays.