



A BRIEF HISTORY

In 1880, Nathaniel Holmes Bishop sent out a letter inviting passionate paddlers to convene, and thus the American Canoe Association was born. In 1901, the ACA acquired Sugar Island, a small island on the Canadian side of the St. Lawrence River. Today, Sugar Island is still the location of annual summer encampments open to all ACA members.

HOW TO GET THERE:

Sugar Island is located one mile from the US border, approximately 100 miles north of Syracuse, New York, and about 30 miles east of Kingston, Ontario. The only access is by boat. The closest launch site is from the **Misty Isles Lodge** (www.mistyisles.ca) located 3 miles east of Gananoque, Ontario.

From the New York side, take Interstate 81 north to the International Bridge, then take the 1000 Islands Parkway west approximately 6 miles (10km). Parking, boat launching and water taxi service are available. For reservations and more information, call (613) 382-4232.

Sugar Island is 2 miles (3.3km) from the Misty Isles Lodge on a compass course of 196 degrees magnetic. Head for the flagpoles which mark Headquarters. A beach is in the cove to the east of the flagpoles.

RESERVATION INFO

*For more information and
campsite reservations, contact:*

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*Sugar Island is an exclusive benefit
for members of the*

AMERICAN CANOE ASSOCIATION

108 Hanover Street
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(540) 907-4460

2012 membership rates:

Individual (\$40 US)
Family (\$60 US)

Donations gladly accepted!

2012 Camping Rates:

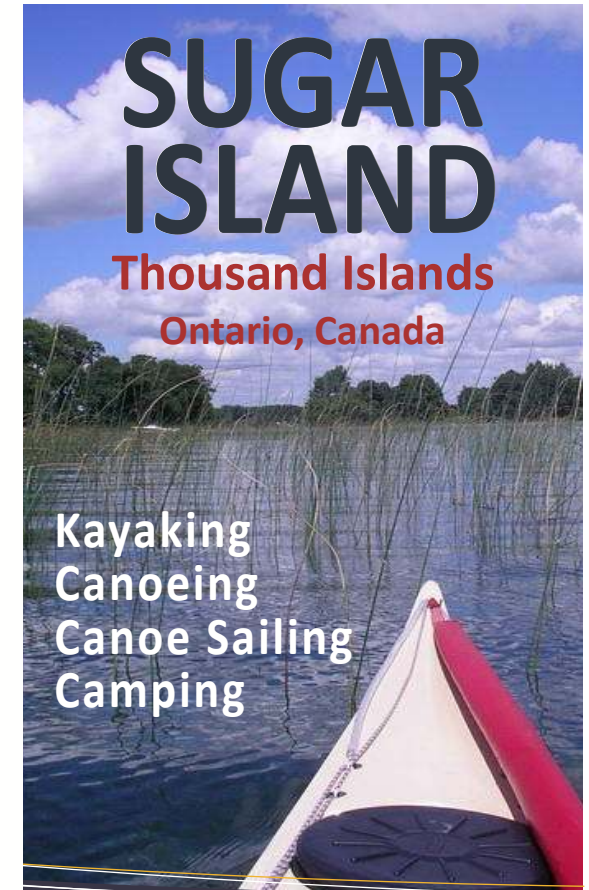
\$8 per day (ACA Members)
\$15 per day (Guests)
Children under 12 are free

Weekly & Seasonal Cabin Rentals:

Contact registrar for rates
and availability



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SUGAR ISLAND

Thousand Islands

Ontario, Canada

**Kayaking
Canoeing
Canoe Sailing
Camping**

Sugar Island is an ideal family camping and canoe-kayak base located near the border of Canada and New York, 100 miles north of Syracuse, New York.

This primitive island has been popular with paddlers since the turn of the century! Join the many others who have made the Annual Encampment a family tradition.

*An exclusive member
benefit of the American
Canoe Association*



ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

The **ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT** of the American Canoe Association, or “Meet,” is a tradition as old as the ACA. The Meet is held annually during the last week of July and first week of August. Canoeists and kayakers gather for a canoe or kayak camping vacation. During the first week, sailing races for both open and International decked canoes are held. This is also a good time for newcomers to learn and receive tips from experienced paddlers and sailors. Group activities for young people are available daily during the encampment and children’s kayaks are available.

2012 OPENING DAY:

JULY 22, 2012



SUGAR ISLAND

is located in the Canadian St. Lawrence Islands National Park, in the Thousand Islands Lake Fleet group. The spectacular scenery, fishing and boating have made this area a popular resort for over a century. The island is also ideally located for touring the Canadian Park Islands and trails. Boat tours and the Clayton, NY Antique Boat Museum are nearby, as are museums in Kingston, Ontario. Canadian fishing permits may be purchased in nearby Gananoque.



Make a Sugar Island vacation
your family tradition!



WHAT TO BRING... Camping on Sugar Island is primitive. Bring your own camping supplies, camp stove for cooking, food, beverages, water containers, binoculars, cell phone, first aid, and trash bags. Sturdy shoes are best as the shore is rocky and hilly. For comfortable ground camping we recommend that you bring a good sleeping pad. Outhouses are available and maintained by those who use them. We practice leave no trace, so please pack out whatever you pack in. Dogs are not permitted.

Crossing customs at the International Border is safest by land. Bring your passport or passport card for Customs.

In Canada call:

1-888-CAN-PASS

www.visit1000islands.com