Nigueste Bay State Park



Colchester, Vermont

For Walter Poleman of the ecological planning program at the University of Vermont, the most important thing he can do for his class is to choose the best area for his students to study. "I can't emphasize enough what a great natural history site it is," he says.

Established in the 1970's by the State, the park gained an additional 260+ acres in 2000 when the Lake Champlain Land Trust acted to protect the

area from development. The lowland of the Champlain Valley and the calcium-rich bedrock make Niquette an exceptional learning environment.

Directions and Park Information:

From Exit 17 off I-89, go west on US Route 2 approximately one mile. At the Raymond Road exit, veer right to exit Route 2, and then turn left. Please note: Do not take the turn for Niquette Bay Road. The park will be on your left approximately 1/2 mile down Raymond Road. This natural area can also be accessed by boat.

The park is managed by Vermont State Parks (Day use fees in summer). Open from dawn to dusk. No motorized vehicles are allowed at Niquette due to the fragile nature of the forest. With an extensive trail network Niquette Bay State Park is the perfect place to boat, swim, hike, snowshoe, cross-country ski, or picnic.

Access from water notes: too far to portage but sandy pull-up from water. Please protect the land by not tying up to shoreline trees.

Niquette Bay State Park is one of dozens of properties saved by the Lake Champlain Land Trust. Since 1978 the Lake Champlain Land Trust has preserved thousands of acres and miles of shoreline on Lake Champlain. To help us save more irreplaceable natural areas, please donate through our

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