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CAMDEN TO ACADIA NATIONAL PARK

From the **MAINE STAY INN** turn left on Rt. 1 north. Points of interest heading north include the town of Belfast (18) which has some nice old houses; Moose Point State Park (23); the Maritime Museum in Searsport (25); Fort Point State Park in Stockton Springs (30); and **Fort Knox** (36). Situated on a high bluff overlooking the Penobscot River and the town of Bucksport, the Fort is now a State Park. Be sure to take a flashlight with you so that you can explore the interior passageways. (36)

Continue north on Rt. 1 to Rt. 175 south at Orlando (39) Follow Rt. 175 and Rt. 166 to **CASTINE**. (54)

After touring Castine follow routes head north on Rt. 166 until you come to Rt. 199. Take a right on 199, go through the small village of Penobscot where you will pick up Rt. 175 without making a turn and head toward South Penobscot. There you will turn left on Rt. 177 to Blue Hill. This sounds very confusing, but the road is well marked and you are only going 18 miles. (72)

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BLUE HILL is the home of many writers, artists and potters. We recommend a stop in at least one of the several pottery shops. For an informal lunch we recommend an Adirondack chair on the back lawn of Jean-Paul's Bistro, located on Main St., tel. 207-374-5852 -- the food is good and the view is lovely. (Note: Jean-Paul's is only open in the summer.) If it's dinner time try the Arborvine www.arborvine.com on the Main Street in the village (tel. 207-374-2119).

Continue on Rt. 172 through Surry to Ellsworth. (80) When you reach Ellsworth you could follow Rt. 3 toward **BAR HARBOR** and run the gauntlet of "burger death row," a collection of every fast food chain known to God and man. Your other option is to turn right onto Rt. 230 just after passing over the Union River. This way is a little longer and a lot more scenic. Stop at the Acadia National Park Visitors Center for more information. (75 direct or 95 if you go via Castine and Blue Hill)

After touring the park you will have used up a good portion of the day, so go back to Ellsworth, get on Rt. 1 south and come back to Camden. If you want to stop for dinner on your way we recommend the Rhumb Line, an upscale European bistro located at 200 E. Main St., two miles north of the center of Searsport (Tel. 207-548-2600). You can make the trip in a little less than two hours-- not counting time out to eat. (75)



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