

LOONS ON MOUNTAIN VIEW LAKE

While historically there have not been any nesting pairs of loons on the lake, there are usually one to three Common loons on the lake each year. You will hear them calling throughout the day, and often see them swimming around the lake as they feed.

Please be respectful of the loons and don't harass them. Boat or kayak slowly in their vicinity and stop at least 25 feet away. The loons may come closer or they may move away; please let them decide how close they wish to be, and please don't pursue a loon for a closer view.

To learn more about loons and their behavior, visit the Loon Preservation Committee [website](#).

According to the Loon Preservation Committee, the largest known cause of New Hampshire adult loon mortality is ingestion of fishing tackle made of the toxic metal lead—specifically, lead sinkers and jigs (weighted hooks) weighing 1 oz. or less. New Hampshire lost at least 124 adult loons to ingested lead sinkers and jigs between 1989 and 2011. The loss of these loons, which do not reproduce until their sixth year of life on average, has had a large negative impact on our state's small loon population. Survival of adult loons is the most important factor in assuring the continued viability of our state's loon population.

Please use Non-Lead Fishing Tackle!

Check out the Resources page for more information.



