



The schooner fleet of Camden, Maine. The **Mary Day** is on the right.



Camden Harbor full of boats on a very rainy day.





A waterfall in downtown Camden.



We were really impressed with the Ducktrap Bay Trading Co. store in Camden. It specializes in original carvings, ship models and paintings.





Carved boat models.





The deer head sculpture with a bear & turkey painted on the same slab of wood was particularly interesting.

More sculptures.







Lifelike fish sculptures.



Check out  
the table  
with the  
unique legs!





A river runs right through Camden. Many of the buildings are built over the water.





We get a mooring buoy at the Tugboat Inn in Boothbay.





Reflections of a 100 year old Fife yacht in beautiful condition.





The mega yacht **Christopher** from London in Boothbay. It had 5 sets of spreaders.



This is the ketch **White Wings** that we saw in the Caribbean in '99.





Another shot of elegant **White Wings** at Wotton's Wharf in Boothbay.



A summer cottage on an island in Boothbay with Running Free on the right.





The 180' mega yacht **Silver Shalis** at DiMillo's Marina in Portland, Maine.



The **Silver Shalis** took up the whole fuel dock and was docked in front of us at DiMillo's.





Madeline & Bob Vreeland come to see us at the marina. They are on the **Betty L**, a custom lobster yacht built by Covey Island Boatworks in Lunenburg. We met them last year in Quebec City.



Leaving Portland, ME, we pass the well known “Portland Head” lighthouse.





Sunset in the Isles of Shoals between Portland & Gloucester. We pick up a free mooring buoy for the night.





The famous Fishermen's Memorial in Gloucester, a fishing town that started in 1623.





## GLOUCESTER FISHERMEN'S MEMORIAL

For nearly four centuries the history of Gloucester has been the story of America's greatest fishing port. With this memorial, we commemorate the lives and the legacy of those who died at sea while fishing.

The first settlers came from England in 1623 to harvest the ocean's bounty. They concentrated on the rich fishing banks between Gloucester and Newfoundland, and later ventured throughout the Atlantic. During the 1800s, immigrants from many lands joined in the perilous work. Sustained by the hope of prosperity, they came from the Canadian Maritimes, Scandinavia and Ireland. Later, they came from Italy and Portugal. These intrepid men established an industry that has yielded countless millions of pounds of fish.

Their legacy came at a tremendous cost: the loss of over 5300 men. Some were overtaken by the howling winds and mountainous seas of a catastrophic nor'easter. Some met their fate in the solitude of a small dory gone astray from the schooner that brought them to the banks. Some ships collided in storms and tragically sank. Others were run down by steamers in shipping lanes.

These courageous men have been known by names other than fishermen. They were father, husband, brother, son. They were known as the finest kind. Their lives and their loss have touched our community in profound ways. We remain strengthened by their character, inspired by their courage and proud to call them Gloucestermen.



Numbers alone can never chronicle the loss of human life, yet the statistics reflect the magnitude of Gloucester's sacrifice. On these plaques are the names of men known to have been lost. This memorial also stands to honor those men and ships lost without record.

- MEN KNOWN TO BE LOST AT SEA AND HONORED HERE: 1544
  - OF THE NEARLY 1,000 SHIPS LOST, THOSE LOST WITH ALL HANDS: 265
  - THOUSANDS OF WIDOWS STRUGGLED TO SURVIVE AND RAISE THEIR CHILDREN. MANY OF THOSE FATHERLESS CHILDREN ENTERED THE TRADE OF THEIR LOST FATHERS.
  - BETWEEN 1860 - 1906, A STAGGERING 668 SHIPS SANK, WHILE MANY OF THE FISHERMEN WERE SAVED, 3000 MEN WERE LOST.
  - A SINGLE STORM IN 1862 CLAIMED 15 SCHOONERS AND 100 MEN, WHILE ANOTHER DEVASTATING STORM IN 1879 TOOK THE LIVES OF 100 MEN.
- Let us remember, honor and celebrate these fishermen who made their final voyage from this great port.

*They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters; These see the works of the Lord, and his wonders in the deep. Psalm 107, 23-24*

Gloucester has inspired the films "Captains Courageous" & "The Perfect Storm".





So **this** is where my frozen fish sticks come from!