

Mudmill Pond

60.0 acres

Marydel

This pond was undoubtedly named for the muddy brown color of the water. Although the amount of silt in the water likely affects the spawning success of nest-builders such as sunfish and largemouth bass, reproduction has been successful enough to produce moderate numbers of bass with an occasional citation. A wide size range of bass was noted indicating a balanced population. Average weights were good.

Bluegill and black crappie were also present in low to moderate numbers. Most bluegill were small, 5 inches or less. However, nice size crappie were occasionally taken, either in the area near the dam or around the island. Pumpkinseed sunfish were also present.

VEGETATION

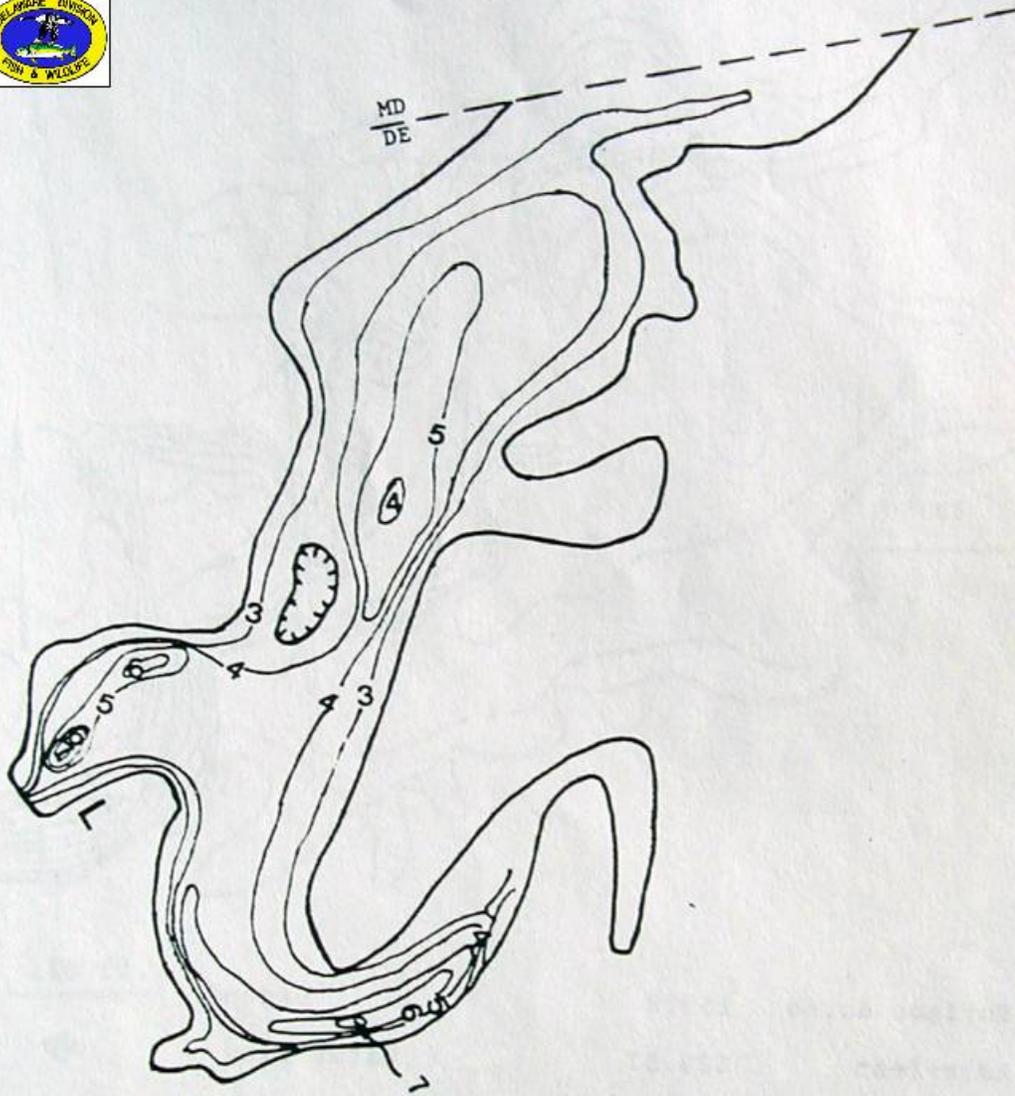
Although much of the pond shoreline was vegetated with water willow, smartweed, and other emergent plants, there was little vegetation in the pond itself. Spatterdock occurred in scattered patches throughout the pond and crappie appeared to hold in the cooler water of those beds. Duckweed was present among the shoreline plants but did not affect angling.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

The shallow depth throughout much of the pond makes running an outboard difficult at times. Visibility is generally poor due to the muddy water so maintaining a legal no-wake speed is best to avoid damage to outboards.

This pond lies on the state line between Maryland and Delaware. Since there is no reciprocity agreement between the two states, anglers have to be sure they are holding an appropriate license for their location on the pond.

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Surface acres 60.0

Maximum depth 7.0'