Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Candlewood Lake area

Candlewood Lake

Connecticut
Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Eastern Time · Largemouth · Smallmouth

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

Strong odds

8/10

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Mostly stable	+ No lightning	+ 5–12 mph usable ripple	+ Clear / sunny (~0%)	~ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **51–59°F**, lows **29–34°F**, rain chance up to **~0%**. Story is light and bait position — dawn and last light carry the window.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

51° F high

LOW	29°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	NW 2–12 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:43 AM / 4:33 PM

Frame: Cold start — let the sun warm the shallows; the better bite often comes later in the day.

TUESDAY NOV 17

55° F high

LOW	33°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	NW 3–8 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:44 AM / 4:32 PM

Frame: Cold start — let the sun warm the shallows; the better bite often comes later in the day.

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

59° F high

LOW	34°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	NW 5 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:45 AM / 4:31 PM

Frame: Cold start — let the sun warm the shallows; the better bite often comes later in the day.

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: NW · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:43 AM EST) → ~9 AM**
- Use any ripple as cover

MIDDAY

- Shade lines, docks, deeper edges
- Electronics for bait height first
- Slow down once the sun is overhead

EVENING

- Revisit shallow shade as sun drops
- Topwater if the surface lays down
- Weekday traffic is lighter — work quiet pockets

FALL TRANSITION **Largemouth plan: Slow down: steep points, channel drops and remaining grass just outside the creeks, between the fall flats and the 15-30 ft winter depth; suspending jerkbait with long pauses, jig-and-pig or blade bait crawled down the slope.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

Largemouth are in the late fall transition — water under the mid-50s, so bass are sliding off the shallow flats toward steeper points and channel drops near their fall feeding areas.

Basis: estimated water ~53°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

Smallmouth bass are the primary target — they group up on main-lake points, rock humps, and steep drops to chase baitfish, and they feed hardest when wind pushes bait onto the rock. What's on the menu: No dated forage report for this window turned up at pull.

ALSO BITING

Largemouth · pickerel. Largemouth: dock rows and milfoil edges in New Fairfield and Sherman coves — jigs, swim jigs, and wacky worms.

PRESSURE

Weekday traffic — lighter than the weekend. Fish early, give ramps and swim areas room.

gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

WATER BOARD — LAKE CHEAT SHEET

FIXED Natural / small-impoundment water — no generation table. Check access rules and level notes with the managing agency before you go.

ITEM	NOTE	SOURCE
Permit / regs	Do not hardcode lengths or creel limits.	
Clarity	Clarity unconfirmed — main lake usually clearer than coves.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Bank access is limited on a lake ringed with private homes, so focus on public ground: the shoreline near the Lattins Cove and Squantz Cove state launches where fishing is allowed, and town parks in Danbury, Brookfield, and New Fairfield that are open to non-residents.

KAYAK

Launch from Squantz Cove or Lattins Cove and stay in protected water. The lighter northwest wind is the calmest paddling day but the coldest — wear layers and a PFD, and carry dry clothes in a bag. The light southwest breeze is ideal for drifting a tube or drop-shot along points near New Fairfield.

BOAT

Run main-lake points, rock humps, and steep banks between Lattins Cove, the New Fairfield shoreline, and the Sherman arm. Start on wind-blown rock with a jerkbait, crankbait, or swimbait, then switch to a drop-shot on the deeper edge when the wind dies.

LURE BOX

TOP

Walking topwater (bone / chrome) on calm late afternoon. Popper over shallow milfoil edges for largemouth. Wakebait on windy points.

MID

Swimbait on a jighead (smoke / pearl). Medium crankbait (craw / shad) on rock in the wind.

BOTTOM

Tube (green pumpkin / smoke) on rock and gravel. Drop-shot or Ned rig (green pumpkin / natural shad). Football jig (brown / green craw) on deeper humps.