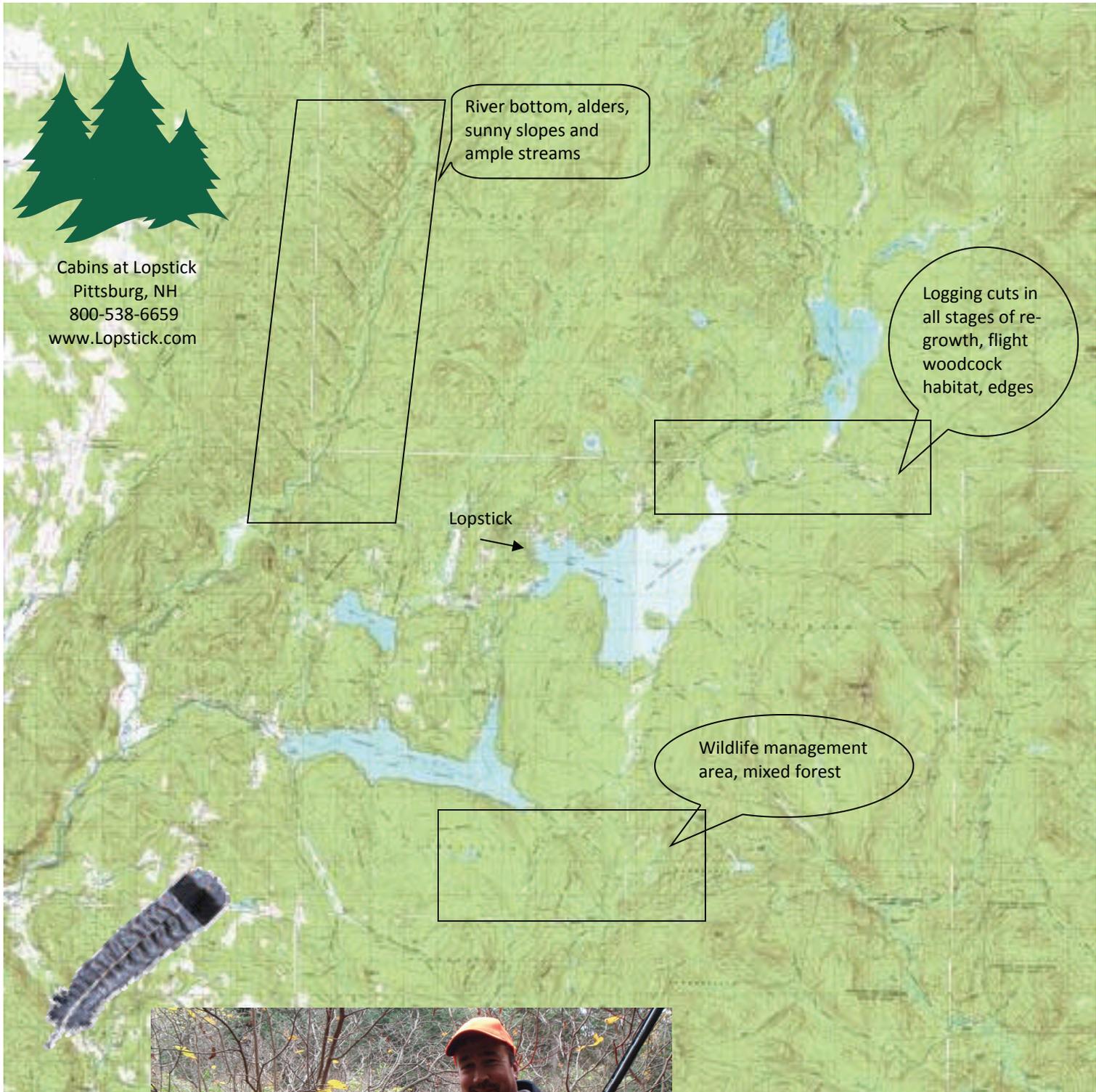


Grouse Hunting Map



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What to look for:

Grouse need the basics. Food, water and a safe place to flee to when danger presents itself. Find food and water with fir trees near, you'll probably find grouse.

What do grouse eat?

Pittsburg is not an area of overgrown farmlands. Here in the Great North Woods, our grouse eat many things. But in October, grouse eat high bush cranberries, choke cherries, mountain ash, alder berries, partridge berries, tender greens and leaves.

Where can these food sources be found?

River and stream bottoms, edges of clear cuts, edges of old logging roads, swamps and bogs, water edges and overgrown homesteads (there are a few in the area but they are not a dominant feature).

Graveling

Gravel is important to grouse. Helping to grind food in the crop, graveling is an important daily ritual. Where to find gravel? Road edge, abandoned gravel pits, dry stream beds, and stream edges.

Woodcock

Pittsburg has a strong resident woodcock population. Flight birds arrive usually between the 10th to the 20th of October. Resident birds are generally found in or near alder patches. Flight birds can be found in many places.

Residents vs Flight

How can you tell a resident bird from a flight bird? Residents will be larger as they have not begun to lose weight from their flight from here to their winter grounds. A resident bird will generally not fly straight up but rather twist and corkscrew away. A resident knows the terrain and has an escape route planned. A flight bird is new and will fly straight up and above the tree canopy and then off in a straight direction to freedom (or not!).

More about the Map

I have highlighted some terrain only as examples of cover types. Every major logging road in Pittsburg has some great areas to hunt. Use the suggestions above to discover your new favorite hunting spot. Forests age and regenerate so what might have been red hot last season may not be as great this year. A seasoned hunter will always be on the look out for the next great spot.

Enjoy! - Lisa