NATURE Retreats

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PROGRAM OPTIONS

The Nature Reset
Starts at $300
Up to 2 hours

A short, facilitated outdoor experience for a team meeting, staff gathering, board retreat, or conference add-on.

- Guided nature walk or sensory observation
- Shrub-steppe ecology and place-based interpretation
- Team reflection or nature-based discussion
- Yurt gathering space, subject to site availability

The Half-Day Retreat
Starts at $600
Approximately 3–4 hours

The flagship offer, balancing group gathering time with a facilitated outdoor experience.

- Use of designated yurt gathering space
- Customized environmental education or team activity
- Guided exploration of the local landscape
- Facilitated reflection and group discussion
- Optional stewardship activity, where appropriate

The Full-Day Field Retreat
Starts at $1,000
Approximately 6 hours

A more immersive experience for organizations wanting time to connect, learn, and work together.

- Yurt gathering space for facilitated sessions
- Customized guided outdoor programming
- A longer field investigation or habitat stewardship experience
- Time for breaks, lunch, and independent discussion
- A closing reflection or team action-planning session

The Custom Team Experience
Starts at $1,500
Custom scope and quote

For organizations seeking a tailored experience, potentially combining environmental learning, staff development, and hands-on stewardship.

- Customized learning objectives
- Multi-part field activities
- Volunteer or habitat restoration projects
- Multi-session or recurring engagements
- Optional planning consultation

Rates are proposed for one group and one facilitator, with group size subject to approved site capacity and staffing requirements. Food, transportation, specialized supplies, additional facilitators, and third-party services are priced separately.

Retreat Themes

Canyon Ecology & Place
Explore the shrub-steppe, geology, native plants, wildlife, and the forces shaping the Yakima Canyon

Water, Wetlands & Resilience
Investigate water, wetland habitats, restoration, and the relationship between healthy ecosystems and community resilience

Wildlife Tracking & Field Investigation
Look for tracks, signs, habitat clues, and evidence of wildlife; practice observation and field interpretation

Habitat Restoration in Action
Participate in an appropriate hands-on stewardship activity and learn about local restoration challenges

Nature, Creativity & Reflection
Slow down, observe, sketch, write, photograph, or use guided prompts to explore connections with the natural world

Outdoor Skills & Naturalist Experiences
Develop field observation, outdoor awareness, navigation, and nature interpretation skills

Team Challenge in Nature
Work through observation, exploration, problem-solving, and collaborative outdoor tasks