

2025 Vashon Retreat Evaluations Review

Majority chose Excellent to Good for all categories:

Lodging, Food, Dance Space, Leaders and Overall Environment

Likes:

Community, love, joy, good vibes, big circle, dancing,

Variety of leaders and dances, music, musicians, Sat night zikr, younger dancers, preserving dances, jamming

Flow, organization, no KY, zoom option, dance space and decorations, free table,

Location, nature, food, kitchen staff, good weather, meals together, relaxing time

Want more of:

Free time, extra day, music jams, young people, free tables, longer zikr, storytelling, walks, small group activity, simpler deeper practices, culture of encouragement

Want less of:

Fussing with mics, delay swapping headsets, long explanations, abbreviated explanations

Heard about it:

Emails, word of mouth, been before, other circles in region, camps

Musicians:

Please announce key of dance to musicians

Schedule: most liked it, some want more free time, liked enough time to get to meals between sessions

Mix of leaders: most liked it, many want more young leaders. 2 wanted deeper with fewer leaders, 1 wanted outside senior leader every other year

Microphones: Too much fulling, need to have a mic training session for all leaders. Voices muddled if mic not placed well. Good sound team.