



Weekend Beekeeping Retreat Schedule

Our weekend retreats are designed for those seeking a deeper connection with beekeeping in a calm, supportive environment. Participants enjoy a balanced mix of classroom learning, hands-on apiary work, and time to relax, reflect, and connect with others. Retreats run from Friday evening through Sunday at noon and include meals, lodging, and all necessary equipment.



Schedule Overview

Friday – Arrival & Orientation (optional Saturday 0800 arrival)

1500 – 1730

Arrival & Check-In

Guests may arrive any time after 3:00 PM. Room assignments and welcome packets provided at check-in.

1730 – 1800

Orientation

Overview of the weekend, introductions, and housekeeping notes.

1800 – 1900

Dinner (Provided On-Site)

1900 – 1930

Tour of Grounds & Facilities

1930 – 2200

Personal Time

Explore the property, socialize, relax, or unwind indoors.

Lights out at 2200

Saturday – Full Program Day

(On-site therapist available throughout the day if needed.)

0700 – 0800

Breakfast (Provided On-Site)

0830 – 0900

Program Overview & Safety Briefing

Expectations, goals, and emergency procedures.

0900 – 1030

Classroom Instruction

Core concepts of hive management, seasonal timing, and bee biology.

1030 – 1130

Field Activities – Apiary Safety & Gear Use

Protective gear review, smoker lighting, and hive area orientation.

1130 – 1230

Lunch (Provided On-Site)

1230 – 1400

Apiary Work – Guided Activities

1400 – 1430

Afternoon Break

1430 – 1600

Classroom Session – Applied Concepts

1600 – 1700

Day Review & Dinner Prep

Q&A, personal time, and hygiene break before dinner.

1700 – 1800

Dinner (Provided On-Site)

1830 – 1900

Optional “Bee Chat” Discussion

Informal Q&A or spontaneous mentor-led talk.

1900 – 2200

Personal Time

Lights out at 2200

Sunday – Wrap-Up & Departure

0700 – 0800

Breakfast (Provided On-Site)

0830 – 0930

Final Classroom Instruction

0930 – 0945

Break

0945 – 1130

Apiary Field Activities

1130 – 1200

Wrap-Up & Departure

Final Q&A, feedback survey, and after-action review.

Pickup bag lunches available at departure.