



Wild Writing Retreat

Who

A handful of women with pen, paper, and picnic wanting to write prose, poems, fiction, non-fiction, gibberish, or anything else. No experience necessary.

What

A retreat for writing, discovery, community, relaxation, and joy – nurtured by nature. We'll play with writing prompts, poems, metaphors, and share sustenance and stories around a fire. Let us guide you through the day's writing or work on your own project-- as you wish.

When

One-day Retreat: Sunday June 25, 10am-4pm

One-day Retreat: Friday August 18, 10am-4pm

Where

We begin at Tes Reed's house in New Marlborough, MA and walk a quarter mile into a private and beloved forest.

Why

Because it's delicious to unplug from technology, electricity, the news...and plug into Mother Earth. Because the container of writing prompts leads to creative freedom and expressive surprises. Because the forest feels like ease, vitality, creativity, awe, and flow. Because by the end of the retreat, you'll have practices to incorporate into your writing life—indoors or under the sky.

Your Guides

TES REED, wilderness educator, mentor, and storyteller, currently writing her first book, *Walking the Dogs*. JANE BERNSTEIN, riverside writer, and book coach whose work has appeared in *The Boston Globe*, *Natural Awakenings*, *The American Gardener*, and elsewhere. BA in English Lit, MA in Italian Lit, apprentice to the forest.

TESTIMONIALS

“A Women’s Wild Writing Retreat is a delight! To spend a day in an enchanted forest being guided by Jane and Tes ignites the creative spirit and heals the soul. With no need to go anywhere or be anything, time slows and relaxation sets in. In this meditative and inspirational state my thoughts and pen flowed freely like eternal partners speaking my truth. The added wilderness touch (learning to make a fire, finding wild edibles, preparing pine needle tea, identifying trees and bird song...) makes this one day a treat to savor and carry forth to share. Thank you!”