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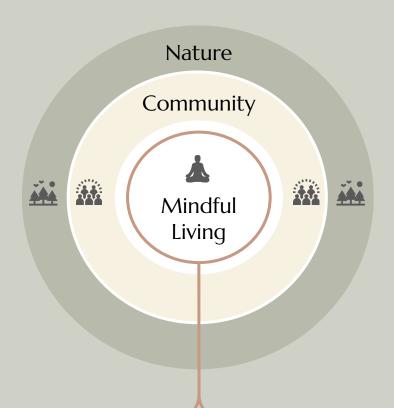


THE TIMES

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# An experience rooted in the power of psychedelics, mindfulness practices, and community

Discover a holistic retreat designed to foster personal growth, connection, and wellbeing. Experience guided psilocybin mushroom ceremonies, mindfulness, and community support to achieve meaningful self-development.



### Mind





- Meditation
- Intellectual growth (knowledge-building)

### Body



- Exercise & mindful movement
- Breathwork
- Healthy diet

### Heart



- Self-reflection and journaling
- Relational skills
- Gratitude & compassion practice

### Spirit



- Psychedelic macrodosing
- Prayer and/or ritual
- Arts & creative expression

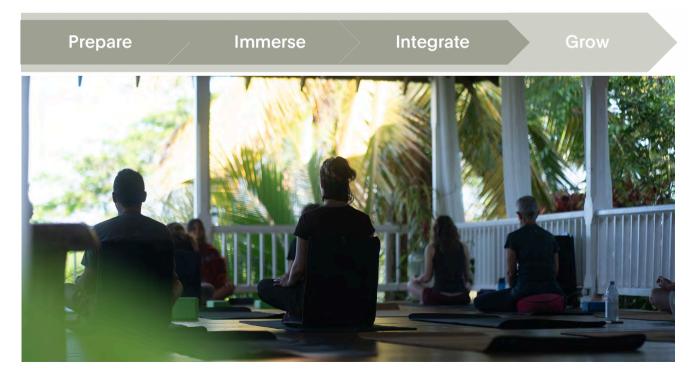
Experience deep, lasting personal growth and wellbeing through the legal use of psilocybin mushrooms and holistic wellness practices in nature and community.

### Why Beckley Retreats?

Building on Amanda Feilding's work at the Beckley Foundation, Beckley Retreats combines 25+ years of psychedelic research with compassionate guidance from world-class facilitators in modern and traditional wellbeing practices.

### The Standard for Psychedelic Retreats

88% of our guests say our program was the most or one of the most meaningful experiences of their life.



# Program

Our retreat journey unfolds in four phases to support lasting growth. Begin with personalized preparation, dive into deep exploration, integrate your experiences, and stay connected with our community.

Prepare Immerse Integrate Grow

# Set the foundation and get ready

- Cohort prep sessions
- Self-guided app
- Optional 1:1 coaching

# Go deep and build community

- 2 psilocybin ceremonies
- Meditation & movement
- Breathwork
- Group integration circles
- Nature immersion

# Continue self-inquiry & build new habits

- Group integration
- Guided skill-building
- Optional 1:1 coaching

# Stay connected and stay committed

- Monthly alum calls led by facilitators
- Alumni community
- Ambassador program









# Program - Prepare

Personal attention, community, and flexible preparation options for an optimized retreat experience.

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### Set the foundation and get ready. Go at your own pace.

The month leading up to the retreat marks the beginning of the Beckley Retreats journey. Participants enjoy building skills and confidence, and getting to know one another prior to the retreat. Scale up or down your participation based on your availability.

#### 1:1 Preparation Session

Speak with a retreat facilitator for personal support.

### **Two Group Sessions**

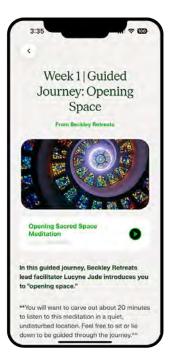
90-minutes for community building, guided practices, discussion, and relational skill-building.

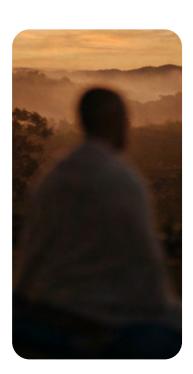
### **Optional Coaching Support**

Supplementary 1:1 coaching available.









# Program - Immerse

Safe, beautiful locations. Expert facilitators. Nourishing cuisine. A well-paced schedule giving ample space to commune with self, nature, and one another.

Prepare Immerse Integrate Grow

### Practice and experience in community.

Our immersive retreat schedule provides the perfect balance of guided ceremonies, personal reflection, and group activities in a serene natural setting.

### Immersion Program (Retreat) Schedule

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
6:00						
		Morning Walk		Morning Walk		Morning Walk
7:00		Movement		Movement		Morning wark
8:00		Meditate/Reflect	Movement	Meditate/Reflect	Movement	
9:00		Breakfast	Meditate/Reflect Breakfast	Breakfast	Meditate/Reflect Breakfast	Breakfast
00:00		1:1 Sessions/ Relax/Nature	Integration Circle	1:1 Sessions/ Relax/Nature	Integration Circle	Dicariast
:00		Breathwork or Voice		Breathwork or Voice		
2:00		Activation Smoothie/Group Time	Lunch	Activation Smoothie/Group Time	Lunch	Departure
:00		Sinodule/Group Time		Smoothe/Group Time		
:00		Rest/Free Time		Rest/Free Time		
:00	A . 1 /		Relax		Relax	
:00	Arrivals/ Welcome		Nature		Nature	
:00		Psilocybin		Psilocybin		
:00	Opening Circle	Ceremony (see next page)	Integration Circle	Ceremony (see next page)	Integration Circle	
0:00	Dinner		Dinner		Dinner	
00:00			Music or			
00:		Dinner	Fireside	Dinner	Fireside	

www.beckleyretreats.com Schedule subject to change. 10

# Mushroom Ceremony

A safe, guided ceremonial psilocybin experience rooted in practices from global wisdom traditions.

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### Harness the power of a group psychedelic experience.

<u>Research shows</u> that psychedelic journeys in group settings may promote a feeling of "communitas" – greater sense of connection, shared humanity, and a dissolution of hierarchies and social roles. The benefits of a collective setting are one of many predictors of long-term outcomes in well-being after a psychedelic experience.

### **About Ceremony**

Experience guided psilocybin ceremonies rooted in traditional and contemporary practices, supported by live music, our experienced facilitators and safety protocols.







# Program - Integrate

A meticulously designed experience for receiving deep personal support and maintaining momentum towards positive change.

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Continue self-inquiry and build new habits. **Go at your own pace.** 

In the weeks following a psychedelic experience, the brain is in a state of neural plasticity and high suggestibility. This is an optimum window for anchoring in a positive mindset, productive self-reflection, and supportive integration practices. **Participate as much or as little as time permits.** 

### **Guided Experience**

Content and resources in our app.

### **Four Group Sessions**

90-minutes for community building, guided practices, discussion, and relational skill-building.

### **Additional 1:1 Support**

Private coaching available for integration.







# Program - Grow

Join our vibrant community, continue your journey of transformation and wellbeing & get involved.

Prepare Immerse Integrate Grow

### Stay Connected and Stay Committed: The Beckley Retreats Alumni Community.

Many alumni want to stay connected beyond integration, go deeper with their personal development, continue improving their wellbeing and support Beckley Retreats. Our community platform and alumni initiatives make it easy to do that. Beckley alums are part of an ever-expanding circle of kindred spirits, seekers, and change-makers. This is your invitation to deepen your integration, stay connected, and continue growing.

### Calendar (Beckley Community)



**Join Our Monthly Alumni Calls** – Join and invite your friends! Guided by expert facilitators, these calls provide integration tools and a supportive space for reflection.



Shape the Future of Beckley Retreats – Share your experience in a feedback session with our CEO and hear about the future of Beckley Retreats held every other month.



**Educate & Inspire Others** – Bring your story to life with a video below & write a <u>google review</u>



**Support the Mission** – Help expand access to those in need by contributing financial aid to the Beckley Scholarship Fund.



# Why Our Participants Join

88% of our 650+ guests describe our program as one of the most meaningful experiences of their lives.

Accelerate personal growth and self-understanding

Unleash performance and impact

Build resilience and empathy

Improve mood and wellbeing

Explore spiritual connection and meaning

Address emotional wounds and destructive patterns

Break through limitations and inner blocks



"Since I came home, I have chosen to be light-hearted and patient. My daughter has started giving me spontaneous hugs like she used to. Maybe the cloud has lifted.

- Harriet Walker, Fashion Editor, The Times



"A perfect blend of science and spirituality, led by a masterful team driven by the power of self-healing, compassion and a little bit of magic."

Joshua Nino, CEO & Co-Founder at Dexerto Media Group



"This retreat was so profound and I am so grateful for the care and the intention with which the facilitators supported us. We showed up as strangers, but we left as family members. And that felt really special to me."

Candace Oglesby-Adepoju, Trauma Informed Psychotherapis



"If you want to reinvent yourself and be a better human being as part of humanity, do the work... The mushroom doesn't always give you what you want, but it will give you what you need."

- Jim MacPhee, Former COO Walt Disney World, Retreat Participant



"I am walking away from this retreat with new found love in my heart. And I am immensely humbled. Feeling cleansed and healed."

- Toni Ko, Founder NYX Cosmetics (sold to L'Oréal)

# Signature Program Pricing

Locations (discover here)	What's Included	Investment*
Jamaica	Retreats include preparation program, airport transportation,	\$4,850 - \$11,500
Netherlands	accommodation, guided ceremonies, wellness activities, meals, integration program,	\$5,975 - \$11,550
	alumni community.	
		*Price range per room
		(triple, double, private; standard or deluxe) depending on location

To ensure access for all, we offer financial aid. Learn more about our scholarship program <u>here</u>. We prioritize applicants: a) who have demonstrated financial need, and/or, b) who have been historically underserved, underrepresented, or oppressed.

# Additional Offers

Offer	What's Included	Investment
1:1 Coaching pre- and post retreat	Private coaching with the facilitator from your retreat	\$150/session
Massage at retreat	Relaxing 60-minute full body massage	\$120 in Jamaica €90 in Netherlands

# The Ethics of Psychedelic Retreats

Doing psychedelic retreats the right way

At Beckley Retreats, we are committed to ethical, science-backed psychedelic experiences that respect traditional practices and foster positive change.

### Facilitator Engagement

Multi-step vetting/
hiring process
Onboarding
Professional development
Community of trust
Collaborative decision-making

### **Personal Safety**

Screening & informed consent
Data security
Set, setting & support
Community agreements
& code of ethics
Safety protocols
& access to
medical care

### **Right Relationship**

#### with

Indigenous lineages, land and mushrooms Local communities Program participants Staff, facilitators, partners, advisors Broader ecosystem

### The Ethics of Psychedelic Retreats

### Philosophy of Care

#### Regenerative Business Model

Public benefit corporation
Aligned investors
Distributed equity ownership
Equal facilitator wages
Empowerment of local
communities

### Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging

Equitable access to programs (scholarship & sponsorships) Diverse teams Culture of belonging DEIB training Feedback loops

### Locations

### Jamaica

Jamaica is a paradisiacal island located in the Caribbean Sea. Known for its beautiful landscape, reggae and the warmth of its people, it is the perfect place to relax and connect with nature.

Jamaica is one of the few countries where the cultivation, gifting and consumption of psilocybin mushrooms is legal. This, together with its lush nature and scenery, makes it the ideal setting for our retreat.





### Good Hope

The Good Hope property has two special villas, each centuries old, cut-stone homes. The entire property was recently renovated with care to retain the historic charm.

The villas have a total of 13 rooms, all with their own bathroom, premium bedding and linens and thoughtful decor. Enjoy two swimming pools, a private beach, and yoga room. The beautiful landscape is perfect to enjoy the sunrise and sunset across the open mountainous vistas. Please click <a href="here">here</a> for important information about Good Hope's history.

### Locations

### The Netherlands



The Netherlands is known for a feeling of 'gezelligheid,' a mix of coziness, conviviality, comfort, and relaxation. The Dutch have liberal policies around substances; truffles are legal in the Netherlands, making it a wonderful place to offer safe experiences with truffles containing psilocybin.

### De Hoorneboeg

The De Hoorneboeg retreat center is just 25 miles from Amsterdam, and easy to access by train, taxi, or even bicycle. The property is quiet and lush, strewn with buildings renovated with the utmost aesthetic care.

The ethos of the community is built around a peaceful connection with nature and with other people. De Hoorneboeg provides a perfect environment for the depth, care, and beauty of our retreat experience.



### Venwoude

Venwoude retreat center is located on a breathtaking 40-acre estate situated in a nature sanctuary in the woods of Lage Vuursche, about 35 minutes from Amsterdam and 10 miles north of the city of Utrecht in the center of the Netherlands.

Away from the noise of modern life, the deep quiet emanating from the majestic beech and pine trees is palpable on the entire terrain. This peaceful sanctuary offers a unique place for reflection, awareness, personal growth, sustainable living and connection.

# Safety

Your wellbeing is our priority. We conduct suitability assessments and maintain rigorous safety protocols to ensure a safe and supportive experience.

### Safe Location

Safe, private retreats in legal psilocybin locations.

### Holistic Training

Expert facilitators blending indigenous wisdom with modern science

### Dedicated Care

1:4 facilitator-to-participant ratio for personalized support.

### Access to Medical Care

Qualified facilitators with medical support nearby for 24/7 emergency access.

### Screening Process

Rigorous screening ensures safe participation by assessing personal, medical, and psychiatric histories.

### Safety Protocols

Comprehensive, regularly updated safety protocols are in place and shared with all team members and partners



# Select Program Facilitators

Our world-class team of practitioners has centuries of combined experience holding safe, transformational spaces and working with psychedelics



### Dr. Dingle Spence

Dr. Dingle Spence is a Beckley Retreats Team Lead and co-facilitates ceremonies. She is a retired Jamaican physician with training in oncology and palliative medicine and heads the Hope Institute Hospital in Kingston. Her research and application of psychedelics has transformed her work in palliative care. Dingle is also trained in shamanic practices and psychedelic spaceholding.



### Lucyne Pearson

Lucyne is a certified Integrative Psychotherapist. She was the Founder of The Deepening Process retreats in the UK and has run retreats in Brazil, Spain, and Costa Rica. She specializes in shamanism, breathwork, and ancestral healing. A Beckley Team Lead, she is a skilled sound healer and a master of making connections between the wisdom of ancient practices and modern-day



### Ben Sheinwald

Ben is a Biodynamic
Therapist and group
facilitator. He brings his
knowledge of body
psychotherapy, biodynamic
massage, mindfulness, and
other embodied practices
into this work with Beckley
Retreats. As a Team Lead, he
leads the group processes
during retreat integration
circles. Ben trained at the
Centre for Biodynamic Body
Psychotherapy.



### Eber Rodriguez

Eber Rodriguez is a skillful multi-instrumentalist, breathwork, and psychedelic facilitator specializing in ancient chanting techniques and sound therapy. He creates a vibrational field that supports states of grounding relaxation and calm. He has years of study and practice with traditional plant medicine and indigenous masters.



### Micah Tafari

Micah Tafari is a Jamaican custodian of land, and he shares his love of nature through farming, entheogenic plants, and sacred circles. He is a firekeeper, and also trained in sustainable building techniques, renewable energy, yoga, and meditation. He has played an integral role in establishing villages and intentional communities in Jamaica. At Beckley Retreats, he facilitates ceremonies and holds space for the deep work on retreat.



#### Tamara Slock

As a former nurse, Tamara realized that the compassion she had for her patients was a big part of the healing process. She started following the path of yoga, and became a breathworker, bodyworker, and Reiki practitioner, exploring different pathways for holistic wellbeing. At Beckley Retreats, Tamara uses music and various healing practices to lead ceremonies. She is known for her powerful singing voice and presence.



### Rachael Oliver (Deva)

Deva is a Shamanic Guide and song carrier, a KRI-qualified Kundalini yoga and meditation teacher, and a social worker. She has spent many years working with trauma, offering counseling and support to children and families. During ceremony, she provides energetic support, sacred music, and a lot of love. Deva is known for her calm, grounded presence, and compassionate care.



### Sergio Rodriguez-Castillo

Sergio is a team lead and cofacilitates Beckley's retreats and ceremonies and has always been interested in the place where psychology and spirituality come together, earning multiple degrees on the subject. Sergio has been actively involved in the entheogens field, facilitating, developing curricula, and mentoring guides for over 18 years. He is a MAPS MDMA-Assisted Therapy Practitioner and a licensed MFT in private practice, focusing on existential growth and consciousness expansion.

# Psilocybin Mushrooms

Psilocybin has been used for millennia across many cultures and anecdotal evidence suggests it may improve wellbeing.



### History

The use of psychoactive plants has been integral to the spiritual practices of Indigenous traditions from all over the world including Africa, the Americas, and Europe. In fact, some historians believe that entheogenic plants were used as far back as 9000 B.C. based on rock paintings.

Psilocybin is a psychoactive compound found in +200 species of fungi. Aztecs and Mazatec shamans use it for diagnostic, medicinal/curative, spiritual, and recreational purposes to enter the realms of divine wisdom and healing. (2)

The Ceremonial Use of Psilocybin

Our retreats include two 6-hour psilocybin ceremonies.

Sitting together in ceremony has been done for millennia and anecdotal evidence suggests it has often been perceived to improve wellbeing.



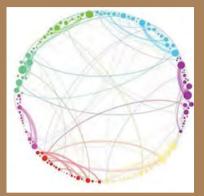
# Psilocybin

### Benefits of Psilocybin

Modern scientific research into psilocybin indicates that there may be many potential lasting therapeutic benefits:

- Potential relief from depression, addiction, anxiety, obsessivecompulsive disorder, and fear of death (3) (4) (5)
- Potential increased activity in the visual cortex and experience of "ego loss" (6)
   (7)
- Promotion of creativity and empathy, and enhances subjective well-being when taken in nature (8) (9)

Some studies have also shown that psilocybin may promote neurogenesis and neuroplasticity (1)



Brain connectivity on placebo\*



Brain connectivity on Psilocybin\*

\*Photo credit: The Beckley Foundation and Imperial College London Centre for Psychedelic Research

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# The Future We're Building

### Our Mission

To spark broader positive change through measurable self-development and wellbeing for all through communal psychedelic programs.

### Our Vision

Beckley Retreats believes that a healthier and more beautiful world is possible.

### Our Values

Rooted in our pioneering legacy, modern science, ancient wisdom, holistic wellbeing and humble curiosity.

# Beckley Retreats Leadership Team

Committed to serving others and continuing our own inner work



Amanda Feilding Co-Founder

Amanda Feilding, known as the 'hidden hand' of psychedelic science, is widely recognized for her impact on global drug policy reform since the 1960s.



Neil Markey Co-Founder, CEO

Neil, a former Army Ranger Captain, McKinsey consultant, and entrepreneur, founded Maryland Mindfulness and is MBSR-certified. He has taught meditation to athletes, special forces, and executives, bringing a dedication to integrity at Beckley Retreats.



Vian Morales SVP of Operations

Vian, a U.S. Army officer and one of the first Black women to graduate from The Citadel, found healing from corporate burnout through yoga and breathwork. She now dedicates herself to making holistic, science-based wellness practices accessible to others.



Val-Pierre Genton SVP of Growth

Val, an internet pioneer with the successful sale of BrightTALK, turned to holistic wellness and psychedelics after overcoming overwork and addiction. Now a father of three, he is committed to advancing accessible, science-backed well-being for a healthier world.

# The Beckley Foundation

The Foundation collaborates with leading scientific and political institutions worldwide to initiate, design and develop ground-breaking research and global policy reform.

### The Beckley Foundation's purpose is two-fold:



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- To scientifically investigate the effects of psychoactive substances on the brain and consciousness in order to harness their potential benefits and minimize their potential harms; learn more about consciousness and brain function; and discover and explore new avenues for the treatment of illnesses;
- To achieve evidence-based changes in global drug policies in order to reduce the harms brought about by the unintended negative consequences of current drug policies; and develop improved policies based on health, harm reduction, cost-effectiveness, and human rights.

### About Amanda Feilding



Amanda Feilding has been called the 'hidden hand' behind the renaissance of psychedelic science, and her contribution to global drug policy reform has been widely acknowledged. Amanda was first introduced to LSD in the mid-1960s. Impressed by its capacity to initiate mystical states of consciousness, she quickly recognized its transformative and therapeutic power.

Featured in the Guardian's list of the Bravest Men and Women in the History of Science, Amanda has initiated much ground-breaking research and has co-authored over 80 scientific articles in peer-reviewed journals.

Technology Quarterly) The new psychedelia
Ketamine, psilocybin
and ecstasy are
coming to the
medicine cabinet

From expanding minds to healing brains

In 1998 she founded the Beckley Foundation, and then hosted a series of eleven international seminars at the House of Lords, discussing key policy issues and drawing attention to the ignored topics of cannabis and psychedelics. These seminars, and the reports arising from them, were highly influential in changing attitudes among leading thinkers and policy-makers worldwide.

Through the Beckley Foundation's Policy Programme, Amanda has commissioned and published over 40 books, reports, and policy papers that have analyzed the negative consequences of the criminalization of drug use.

While her first love is the science, Amanda continues to bridge the divide between science and drug policy: her pioneering psychedelic research is providing the scientific evidence to open the doors for new therapies and to fuel a fair debate on drug policy reform.



The Dalai Lama, when asked what surprised him most about humanity, answered "Man!

Because he sacrifices his health in order to make money. Then he sacrifices money to recuperate his health. And then he is so anxious about the future that he does not enjoy the present; the result being that he does not live in the present or the future; he lives as if he is never going to die, and then dies having never really lived."

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