

# 15 to 18 August 2025, Bridwell park, Devon

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Please note that this is a private event so we kindly ask that you do not share in public websites etc. Please do, however feel free to share with friends, family and colleagues that you feel may be interested in attending.

A heartfelt gathering for shared growth and visioning We invite you to our first Queer Spirit Community Camp, a space for celebrating our collective journey, deepening connections, and shaping the future of Queer Spirit, both as a festival and as a movement. Think of it as a 'conference in a field', where open dialogue around the aims and ethos of QS, creative expression, and mindful community-building come together under the summer sky.

The camp is limited to two hundred people, and invitations are going out first to all our fantastic crew of volunteers, performers and facilitators – you have until the end of May to register (but please do it sooner!), before we open the invitation to the wider network of previous festival attendees.

## Why we're gathering

**Community bonding:** Strengthening the ties that make Queer Spirit a home for queer spirits of all persuasions, through circles of open-hearted conversation and reflection.

**Visioning the future:** Dreaming up possibilities for our next full gathering in 2026, and exploring how we can evolve as a community.

**Spiritual connection:** Coming into closer communion with one another and the land, honouring the sacredness of shared ritual and celebration.

## What to expect

**Talking circles and meditations:** Discussing the ethos, aims, culture and intersectionality of QS; reflecting on past experiences, nurturing shared insights, and co-creating future plans.

**Ritual, drumming and fire circles:** Enlivening our communal spirit and celebrating in the warmth of evening fire circles.

**Temple space:** A gentle, consent-based area for connection, intimacy, and calm reflection.

Open mic and DJs: Enjoying creative self-expression and dancing under the stars.

**Communal nourishment:** Meals available to purchase from the Queer Spirit Café and The Orangery.

#### Contributions

Instead of tickets, in the spirit of mutual support we invite you to make a contribution toward the costs of hosting the camp, in exchange for which we will issue you with a pass for the event.

Supporter £150 Community £100 Low-income £60

*We want everyone who feels called to join us – if finances are a barrier, please reach out so we can ensure your participation.* 

#### **Volunteer spaces**

We need a few volunteers to help out in the cafe, site crew, stewards, temple. Volunteers will get a free pass to the camp. Please email <u>volunteers@queerspirit.net</u> if you would like to help in this way.

#### Accommodation

As well as camping we have some additional options:

#### Old Stables

Eight comfortable en-suite rooms with a shared kitchen, available for up to six nights (including pre- and post-camp setup/takedown).

Contribution £300 per person (flat rate, regardless of the number of nights). Two-

person and four-person rooms available – coordinate with friends or let us help match you with another attendee.

#### Glamping

This could be provided if there are enough of you wishing to book it. We need a minimum order of ten tents in order to book. If you are interested, please let us know on the registration form. Cost will be around  $\pm 300$  per tent (TBC), and we request a  $\pm 40$  per person deposit, which will be refunded if there is insufficient interest.

## How to join

If you don't have one yet, create your free Queer Spirit Social account at <u>https://queerspirit.net/join/register</u>



After completing you registration you can then log into the website, and book your place at <a href="https://queerspirit.net/camp/2025">https://queerspirit.net/camp/2025</a>

#### Looking ahead

This camp is a collaborative community endeavour, not a festival. We are coming together to learn from one another, grow our shared vision, and carry Queer Spirit forward in ways that will truly serve and uplift our community. Join us to help plant seeds of compassion, inclusion, and evolution that will sustain us for years to come.

We look forward to co-creating a thriving Queer Spirit community with you, rooted in heart, purpose, and our shared commitment to a brighter future.

With love from the Queer Spirit team