Alabama Shakes Event

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Verbatim Comments
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APPENDIX A – SURVEY INSTRUMENT
Thank you for taking a few minutes to provide your valuable feedback on the Alabama Shakes Concert in Taos.

Press "Next" to begin the survey

S1. Did you attend the "Alabama Shakes" concert in Taos last week?
   ☐ Yes ☐ No

Q2. Please provide your zip code/Canadian postal code or country of residence if other than the United States/Canada.
   Zip Code ____________________
   Country of residence (if other than U.S or Canada) ____________________

Q3. Do you:
   ☐ Live in the area (live within 50 miles of Taos)
   ☐ Live more than 50 miles from Taos

Q3a. How did you travel to Taos? (choose one).
   ☐ Drove in a private vehicle
   ☐ Flew into Albuquerque and rented a vehicle
   ☐ Flew into Santa Fe and rented a vehicle
   ☐ Other ____________________

Q3b. Did you spend one or more nights in Taos as a result of attending the Alabama Shakes Concert?
   ☐ Yes ☐ No

Q3b-nights spent. During your visit to attend the Alabama Shakes Concert, how many nights did you spend in Taos? ___

Q3c. Where did you stay while in Taos?
   ☐ Hotel/motel/B&B
   ☐ Vacation rental/short-term rental (i.e. Air B&B, VRBO)
   ☐ Second Home
   ☐ Friends/relatives
   ☐ Recreational vehicle (RV)
   ☐ Campground (non-RV)
   ☐ Other

Q3d. During your visit to attend the Alabama Shakes Concert, how many additional nights did you spend in New Mexico outside of Taos? (please enter 0 if you did not spend any additional nights in New Mexico) ___

Q4. The Alabama Shakes concert was:
   ☐ The main reason for my visit to Taos
   ☐ One of the reasons for my visit to Taos
   ☐ Something I wanted to do on my visit to Taos, but not a high priority
   ☐ Not initially part of my visit to Taos
Q5. What other things did you do while staying in Taos?

- Visited the Taos Plaza
- Visited museums
- Visited historical sites
- Visited art galleries
- Visited Taos Ski Valley
- Fine dining
- Hiking, biking, camping
- Rafting/kayaking/stand up paddling
- Scenic drives
- Visited Taos Pueblo
- Shopped
- Visited Taos Mountain Casino
- Night life
- Visited the Rio Grande Gorge
- Other (Please specify) ______________________

Q6. How did you hear about the Alabama Shakes Concert? (check all that apply)

- Word of mouth/someone told me about it
- Print ad
- Print article
- Web ad
- Web article
- Television
- Radio
- Taos.org
- NewMexico.org
- Amp website
- Another website ______________________
- Mail or email sent to me
- Social Media (Facebook)
- Social Media (Twitter)
- Social Media (Instagram)
- Social Media (Other): Please specify ______________________
- Other ______________________

Q7. On a scale from 1 to 5, with a 1 being "Fell short of my expectations" and a 5 being "Exceeded my expectations", how would you rate your experience:

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Q7a. Why do you say that?

Q8. On a scale from 1-5, with a 1 being the least satisfied and 5 being the most satisfied, how satisfied are you with your experience at the Alabama Shakes concert in the following areas:

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Locals and visitors will spend money in a community as a result of attending a concert or event.

Q9. How much would you estimate your entire party (including yourself) spent only at the Alabama Shakes Concert in each of the following categories as a result of participating in the event? Please enter 0 in each category if there wasn't any spending.

- Event(s) Tickets
- Food, meals and beverages
- Concert merchandise
- Other

Q10. Excluding spending at the concert, how much did your entire party (including yourself) spend on each of the following categories as a result of attending the concert (not at the concert)? Please enter 0 in each category if there wasn't any spending.

- Lodging
- Food and meals
- Transportation, fuel
- Outdoor recreation
- Attractions/entertainment
- Shopping and misc.

Q11. How many people were in your party, including yourself? # in party ___

Q12. What is your age? Age ___

Q13. What is your gender identity?

- Male
- Female
- Other, please specify ____________________
Q14. What is the highest level of education you have completed?
- Some High School
- High School
- Some College
- Bachelor’s Degree
- Master’s Degree or above

Q15. What is your annual household income?
- Less than $24,999
- $25,000 to $49,999
- $50,000 to $74,999
- $75,000 to $99,999
- $100,000 to $124,999
- $125,000 to $149,999
- $150,000 to $249,999
- $250,000 or more
- Decline to answer

Q16. Please use the space provided for any additional comments or suggestions you may have about your visit to Taos while attending the Alabama Shakes concert.

Please provide the following information to be entered into the drawing
Name __________________________________________________
Email address _____________________________________________

Thank you for taking our survey. We appreciate your responses and helpful feedback that allows us to understand our audience better.
APPENDIX B – VERBATIM OPEN-ENDED COMMENTS
**Q5. WHAT OTHER THINGS DID YOU DO WHILE STAYING IN TAOS?**

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<td>Wine tasting, live music venues</td>
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<td>Ojo caliente</td>
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<td>Up and Over Race</td>
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<td>Up &amp; Over Run</td>
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<td>I’ve been to Taos many times</td>
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<td>fly-fishing</td>
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<td>Got a tattoo</td>
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<td>Ojo caliente spa</td>
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<td>Taos Mesa Brewery</td>
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<td>Taos Mesa Brewery Show</td>
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<td>Camped in CO</td>
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<td>Sat outside and enjoyed a good book or two.</td>
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<td>Galactic show</td>
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<td>Blues brunch at the Taos Mesa Brewery</td>
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<td>Rock Climbing</td>
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<td>Cliff jumping at lake abiquiu</td>
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<td>Earthship community</td>
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<td>golfed</td>
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<td>golf at Taos Country Club</td>
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<td>Farmers market</td>
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<td>Golf</td>
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<td>Visit friends</td>
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<td>Coffee</td>
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<td>Rode bicycles and drank good beer.</td>
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Food venues

saw friends

Galactic

Raced in Taos Up and Over

Hiked Wheeler Peak

Went to Taos Mesa Brewery went to a few Restaurantseconds love apple, Taos cow, michael's kitchen, pizza outback, Marshall's great noodles

Fishing

Golfing

Saw the Earthships

Had to fight with our rental manager at Wagner's Casitas to try to keep a reservation we'd made months ago. She'd given away our room to another client. So we missed all activities in Taos, including the concert since we had no place to stay.

Taos Up & Over 10k Trail Race

TMB taproom, tennis at Taos Tennis/Quail Ridge

Visited with friends

boarded our dogs

Earth ships

Golf

breweries

stargazed

Taos Mesa brewing co. Tap room

Williams Lake

Stayed with family in Dixon, NM

Galactic concert

Michael"s

I have visited Taos many times and done most of the things listed above, this trip was for the concert :)

ate breakfast the next day

Taos Mesa brewery

Visited friends

Earthship
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<td>went to brewery</td>
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<td>Went to Angel Fire to get room</td>
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<td>Visited wineries</td>
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<td>Ate at the ale house</td>
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<td>Horseback riding</td>
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<td>Just the show</td>
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<td>Outback Pizza and Michael's kitchen</td>
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<td>Saw Galactic also</td>
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<td>Ate at Historic Taos Inn</td>
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<td>Brewery restaurants</td>
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<td>Shopping for Yarn!</td>
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<td>other shows at Taos Mesa Brewery</td>
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<td>Fishing</td>
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<td>Visited with my mother</td>
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<td>Hiked to Williams Lake</td>
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<td>Wanted to but limited on time</td>
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<td>wine tasting</td>
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<td>Monte Sagrada day pass</td>
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taos mesa brewing
Guadalajara Grill!
None
none
Visited the Earthship house
stayed in Chama, traveled to Pagosa Springs
farmer's market, Galactic at Taos Mesa Brewery
We had a picnic.
Taos Mesa Brewing for Galactic
Concert at Taos Mesa brewing
None
visited friends
not so fine dining at the brewery
ate
ojo caliente
was just there for the concert
None
Pub
went home to Santa Fe
Angel Fire Bike Park
Galactic at Taos Mesa Brewing
Golf
Visited friends
dinner
dinner and breakfast
moderate priced restaurants
Ate at drafthouse
Farmer's Market
Rock climbing
Ojo Caliente
Fred Baca park
Flea Market
Winery and dinner
Earthship development
Drove to Angel Fire after the concert as that was where we had to stay
camping
Massage
Visited friends
Food
None - had to get home the same nite
Taos Cow Ice cream shop
Saw Galactic at Taos Mesa Brewing

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<td>Dawes website</td>
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<td>Alabama Shakes' official website</td>
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<td>Dawes Schedule</td>
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Q7A. WHY DO YOU SAY THAT (IN RESPONSE TO RATING THE EVENT ON A SCALE FROM 1-5 “EXCEEDED” – “DID NOT EXCEED EXPECTATIONS”).

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<td>The concert was well organized. Traffic is tough in Taos or my visit would have been a 5 instead of a 4</td>
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<td>Moved here recently from Texas. Thought the entire production was extremely well organized. Food and beer great. Stage and setting are wonderful! But what the hell with the local restaurant/bar scene? Walked down to Doc Martin's to a &quot;sorry, we're closed&quot;. Crossed to the plaza and the Gorge was closed. Ally Cantina open with a line of hundreds out the door. Friends in town said all hotels had 2 night minimum for the weekend. With the amount of extra income town businesses could of had, seems absurd that they aren't taking advantage of the opportunities. Especially for the food service workers. In a town where many have three jobs to get by, why wasn't the opportunity there for them to make a bit extra?</td>
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<tr>
<td>Venue needed more visibility towards the rear. Drummer was way off time</td>
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<tr>
<td>Overall a great experience. Looking forward to attending future events at this venue.</td>
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<td>I love Taos!</td>
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<tr>
<td>We enjoyed the scenic views, the shops, the food, the drinks, the beer from the brewery. We hope the Historic Taos Inn ASA wonderful place to stay. We liked the ski valley area. The owner of one of the Taos stores told us how to get to the ski valley and suggested eating at the Bavarian. Suggestions and recommendations from townsfolk are very helpful to travelers from afar like us.</td>
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<tr>
<td>well organized event, great performance</td>
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<tr>
<td>Venue was too small for number of people. Lines for food, beer or soft drinks and bathrooms were crazy long.</td>
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<td>Excellent experience except for minor irritants including people sitting in chairs, no wine, very long lines for food.</td>
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<td>Too many people; could not see anything--I'm short; usually a concert venue has a slope so more people can see stage; sound was great; also city organization was great; we would've stayed in Taos but there were no rooms--we stayed at Sipapu for the night</td>
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<td>I love Taos. I enjoy AS</td>
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<td>Serious problems with the sound system</td>
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<td>It was a great experience as always, travelling to Taos. However, the Kit Carson park as a concert venue could have been improved to be able to see the stage better. Nevertheless, it was an excellent show.</td>
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<td>Concert was shorter and more mellow than I expected. Sound was best I've ever heard at a concert.</td>
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<td>Concert was amazing, the venue was great, friendly atmosphere and not too crowded for how big the show was. The town was also wonderful to visit and walk around as I had never been to New Mexico before. Definitely plan to go back.</td>
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<tr>
<td>The concert was great, the event seemed well organized and the production crew seemed efficient and professional.</td>
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<td>I'm not a huge Alabama Shakes fan, it was just something else to do while in town</td>
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<td>The food was a long line at the concert and I thought there could be better information in regards to parking.</td>
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<td>Concert venue and opener were really cool. Hard to say, but I was extremely underwhelmed by The Alabama Shakes, which was a bummer.</td>
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<tr>
<td>I love Alabama Shakes! Great concert. Always enjoy Taos.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Concert was amazing (including the food trucks and venue). Loved the town and plaza of Taos - will certainly return.</td>
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Great place for a concert plus wonderful stage and sound.

Show was weak. Too crowded. Long beer and restroom lines. Entertainment was artistic but not exiting.

Yup

The show was absolutely incredible. Venue was excellent. Taos was beautiful.

Traffic flow was well maintained, thought the town did a great job handling that many people.

Concert experience fantastic. We come to Taos whenever we can.

Very well organized and mellow crowd.

Well organized.

The bands were both great, weather fantastic, the park was a nice setting. Always enjoying coming to Taos and the concert kept us in town for another day.

Have had a 2nd home here for 10+ yrs - love the area.

Concert was awfully short. I will not be attending other AMP events if this is the kind of show they put on.

badass concert, badass town

The show was organized, on time and easy to navigate. We had a great vacation!

It was good.

First time I had attended a concert at Kit Carson Park and was very well planned. We love Taos and live here June through September.

The lines at the concert for bathrooms and refreshments were very long. The people we met in Taos and the ski valley were very nice!

Line for beer was ridiculous. Need a better system, more kiosks or a dedicated beer garten.

I loved Taos, the food at the concert was very good. There were no problems with the venue/getting in.

The sound and venue were well-suited for the show. It's seems like the stage odd placed as, once the show started, it was impossible for anyone under 5-7 or 5-8 to see the stage. It felt like the audience was looking up-hill and all we could see was the lights atop the stage. Better placement in the park or a higher stage would've made it much better.

Great concert, well organized.

I thought the set times were shorter than they could have been. It seemed very structured, with barely an encore, and the crowd would have loved a second encore and final final song, but instead the lights went on.

The band was great. Location was great. Possibly too many tickets sold or too few vendors. Missed quite a bit of the show standing in line. Additionally, many vendors ran out of food or were ill prepared for the volume of people. A bit of an issue with drunk people. Overall the city did a great job. Food/drink vendors were not ready.

Loved Taos and the venue. A bit difficult to see the act from where we sat.

Security did a great job dealing with intoxicated and unruly attendees. The show itself was amazing.

Taos is the most beautiful little town I've ever been to. Mild summer weather, breathtaking scenery, cozy feel.
| I could not stay in Tais because the rooms were so expensive. It was kind of a bummer. |
| Thought AS could have played longer; need another beer tent/fewer beer choices (to move lines faster); came in early to get parking and eat ... no problem. |
| The lines to buy anything at the concert were very long but the concert was incredible. |
| Exceeded the comfortable limits of Kit Carson Park |
| It's a beautiful community, and we look forward to coming back in the near future. |
| Love the city of Taos and will support live music in and around the area |
| It was a great experience. The show was great and the food was amazing |
| Nothing but positive experiences. We're looking forward to coming back with our kids. |
| Taos is exceptional and the concert was out of this world! |
| Enjoyed concert and our stay in Taos. |
| I come there often. This time I brought friends and extended family, 5 in our group. |
| Concert was great! And the traffic situation was handled excellent! |
| The show was awesome except Dawes set, the drums and bass guitar were lost in the mix... Camping at Taos RV was rough to say the least 8 campsites in 25 yards of dirt mounds wasn't cool. |
| Wonderful venue for outdoor music. Well organized good security. |
| It's how I felt |
| Very crowded and not as relaxed of a venue as we would have liked for a show like Alabama Shakes. Loved the food trucks and beer and venue site, just had to push off stoned teenagers all night. Just wanted to chill and watch Brittany entertain. |
| We had a lot of fun |
| The show was terrific and Taos was lovely as alwqys |
| I enjoyed all parts of my stay. Short drive but still a nice vacation. Loved the area. Such character in the town. |
| Outback pizza ran out of dough. Michaels kitchen was closed due to power outage. Streets and restaurants were very busy. |
| Great venue - could have had a couple more beer tents to prevent such long lines |
| Great show, great venue, would be perfect if they served wine or liquor other than beer. |
| Concert was well organized and ran. |
| Music was amazing! Not having chairs or something to drink besides beer was inconvenient. I was with older people that have a hard time sitting on the ground for a long time. I also never said the advertised wine and cider from the emails. Just Mesa brewery. |
| The concert would have been so much better if seating had been allowed and maybe not opening the gates so early before the concert as there were many people falling down from drinking too much too early. |
Loved the concert - only thing could be more beer lines. Anytime we visit the town of Taos is great.

Both bands were excellent, as was the setting of Kit Carson Park. The staff was exceptionally kind and helpful. I saw security people helping kids to find food and facilities, for example.

I didn't see much of Taos; however, what I did see was nice and quaint. It was a little dirty and dimly lit in the shopping plazas surrounding the park, but the park itself was pretty and well organized and maintained.

The concert was very congested. The limit of 4 beers was insulting and the length of lines was ridiculous. I am an avid concert attender and have always had a bad concert experience besides the band.

Concert was well organized.

awesome trip all around

Venue too crowded . no seating. Taos is beautiful, great

Too expensive, not enough space to park, we wanted to eat out before the concert not during and not enough places to do so, when in the concert only four trips per person for beer? I am not a child to be given a limit, also beer selection was poor, I for one am not into "craft" beer and there was nothing else for me, the venue was too small for all the people that brought their blankets. The band was great but everything else was just awful in my opinion.

The concert ended around 10pm, many people were interested in doing something after the show. Bar owners were rude and stated "last call" had already occurred. There were no restaurants open feed the crowds. Truly disappointing.

In the concert the volume was low and could not hear the guitar very well.

For the town, every place closes very early. No nightlife

The lines were pretty long for beer and food but overall it was an excellent set up.

Taos is a beautiful town but didn't get a chance to see much so definitely making plans to return soon.

I had never been to kit Carson and it was a good venue with a chill vibe

I thought the concert was good - but rather short. Vendor's lines were too long. But I like the park experience and the crowd was polite.

I love Taos and always try to find excuses to visit. Thought the venue did a great job hosting the concert.

Wonderful service, people, community

The Alabama Shakes concert was unbelievable and the places we dined at were great!

I was expecting more of taos, liKe restaurants would be open lately and bars

Hotel was terrible

Concert was somewhat short

venue was great, people were great, very enjoyable experience.

Concert was awesome! Stayed in Angel Fire....didn't get to see too much of Taos. But overall it was super nice...people were friendly and the weather was perfect!

I really enjoyed the concert and the venue. The town of Taos and its surrounding attractions were more than I expected.
People were friendly, the 2 days we were in NM it was supposed to rain but it was perfect weather, had awesome food and a great time!

All of the hotels were completely sold out and it was very difficult to find a place to stay in Taos. But the concert (including the venue) made it all worth while.

Concert was done at 10 pm. Went to old Taos inn thinking we could get a drink but they cut everyone off at 10:21? The next morning on Sunday all the coffee spots were closed? It's like the town didn't want our business?

The organisation of the beer tents made it hard to get to the stage people were lining up into the crowd. The tee shirt tent had one person working it and people were cutting in line while the rest of us waited for ever.

We booked a hotel room at the El Camino lodge 3-4 months ago and were unable to stay there. The hotel overbooked themselves and so myself and many more people were forced to find different accommodations at the last minute. We ended up sleeping in the bed of our truck! Thankfully, it was a beautiful night and the music made up for it all but we will hesitate coming back to Taos for such an event because this happened... Or we will camp :-)

I would say that it was up to my standards, Taos was unusually busy (as to be expected). I wish they would have kept the number of tickets down.. it was too busy at the show.

No lodging. Traffic leaving the venue.

I grew up in New Mexico and thought Taos is just as charming as the other little towns in NM. I loved it though and will definitely be back!

The lines for everything at the show were ridiculous! Need more vendors

If you are going to host a concert with 8000 people you need to have video screens so that EVERYONE can see the band. Extremely disappointed in your short sightedness on this.

We had to sit pretty far away. Sound was fine, but sightlines were not that great and there was no video feed near the stage for those of us in the back. Bathroom lines were long as were food lines. But, the show was good and again, so was the sound quality. Been to Taos one other time, so knew what to expect. Enjoyed it again.

Concert venue did not lend to good view of stage. Would have expected either more amphitheater style with a hill or a more highly raised stage allowing all patrons an ability to see the performers.

The concert was fantastic--well organized and executed. Having a non-beer option would have been the only improvement I can think of. For the rest of the visit, things were lovely. We would have liked bars/restaurants to have stayed open a bit later the night of the concert, but all in all, it was a great trip!

The concert was great but it was very hard to actually get food or drink. The lines were too long

Taos is a great place! Good food, small, but not too small. It’s a great festival, we went to the Mumford and sons show.

The concert was great but I had seen both, Dawes and Alabama Shakes before. My visit to Taos was great because we’d never been there before.

Both were great!

Lines for bathrooms and drinks were really long. Accommodations in Taos were expensive and difficult to book. No taxis or public transportation available.

Getting to, parking, getting in the venue, getting food was all very smooth. Sound system was great

One of the best places to relax and the Shakes concert was amazing!

The venue was well managed, although the lines for entry and within the park were quite long. Local businesses also seemed unprepared to accommodate the influx of business.
We LOVE Taos!

I was a bit scared that the crowds would be too big for the venue but I feel like the city handled it well.

Concert was too crowded, lines for beer and bathrooms took forever, restaurant staff in Taos were ill equipped for the weekend, and the Indian Hills inn was so disgusting we slept in our car. We love Taos but this concert and the town was frazzled and not planned properly.

I enjoyed walking around the farmer's market Saturday morning

Great show and stay

:)

Didn't enjoy the opening band. We had rain for several days of the trip

Vendors ran out of food. Merchandise line was ridiculously long. AS set was short. Happy it didn't rain though....

Organized, safe, the weather cooperated, fun

the concert was my reason for coming to taos and it was amaaaaazing!

I loved my time and Taos, it is a beautiful city and valley. The concert was the icing on the top!

Was great. Perhaps one more beer station and a couple more toilets to reduce lines

Taos was a fun town. The food at La Cueva was great and well worth the drive!

Came to see Dawes. They should have been properly introduced before taking the stage and allowed to play a longer set. Far too short of an appearance. To improve have someone remind the crowd to be quiet for all acts that perform. A substantial number of younger people were talking and visiting annoying a lot of those who were there to listen to Dawes.

The lines to get a cold beer at the park/concert venue were absurd. that's something that would need to be addressed before I would consider seeing another concert there.

I think that parking/lodging was tough. We did not find out about the concert until all the lodging had already been booked. We ended up having to camp about 40 minutes away (closest place with reserved camping) so that prohibited us from spending much time in taos it's self. Additionally the concert promoter gave a lot of info about the show but never mentioned how difficult it would be to park. As a first visitor that would have been good information to know ahead of time.

NO campsites available and no rooms available. Had to drive back to Colorado. The police forced us to leave town in the wrong direction.

Never realized what a cute and cultural town Taos was and will definitely be back to visit!

Great concert, very well organized and run. Great food

Had 1bad experts experience getting ignored for 20 minutes at a restaurant.

Taos is amazing little city. The park was a great venu and the weather was perfect.

It was the good time I expected of concert & city

concert a bit flat.

Visit met my expectations. I liked the Town having lighting and fire trucks along the road away from the concert when it ended. Made if feel safer to walk.
The concert itself was pretty much what I expected and was great. Finding places to eat in Taos was a bit difficult, everything was very busy and felt over capacity.

The concert could have used more water stations, more soap and paper towels in the bathroom area, more food options, and more alcohol stations. We also read that there would be cider and there was none. Cider or wine would have been nice because I am gluten free.

Over crowded event. Vendor lines to long

Everything seemed to have an easy flow and the show was fantastic!

Too many people at concert

I visited Taos in the winter to ski at Taos SV. I loved the town, the culture and the food. When I found out that Alabama Shakes was playing in Taos we decided to make another trip out to Taos. The venue was great, relaxing, and we loved that you could bring blankets. It was also great that they had food vendors with reasonable prices and good food. Taos as a town is beautiful and everyone is so friendly. I love vacationing here.

awesome venue!

I wish I could've stayed longer. Concert set up was wonderful. Food and drink was great. Broad there wasn't commercial beer/drinks. The local vibe was very appreciated

Tremendous job to everyone involved. I'm in the music business and have been a part of community concerts of this scale, and y'all crushed it. Great vibe, good people, chill scene, no stress. And two GREAT bands.

There was long lines for beer maybe add other beer vendors.

The concert was short and wine was not available though it was advertised.

It was fun had a great time, and I love Toas

The concert was great, but Taos Mesa Brewery's decision to only bring beer really put a damper on the experience. My girlfriend can't drink beer and they advertised wine and cider as well as beer. Not cool at all

disappointed in public transportation and handling of traffic after event

Great town, awesome venue

Beautiful venue. Main band was exceptional and the dinner was reasonable and quite good. Had a comfortable pad for 4 of us to sit on. We were lucky and grabbed a good parking place. Didn't have time to visit the sites n the city or even sell my extra ticket because we weren't allowed to leave.

Last minute planning on our behalf, so we didn't get to do everything we wanted to do.

Taos rocks and has the eclectic mix

The venue was nice, but I don't understand why "low" lawn chairs weren't allowed. Also, you need more beer stands and something other than beer (like liquor) to drink. I'm not a huge beer fan but would like to have let loose a little. The lines for beer were literally 20-30 min long.

I thought the layout of the beer tents and vendors at the venue could have been better there was way too long of lines. Have been to Taos numerous times but my gripe with this past weekend is it seemed that many of the restaurants/shops were closed (oddly) or unprepared for the amount of people which made it difficult to get into many of the awesome places in town it'd be good have more buy in from the local businesses and help them deal with the increased capacity. I also think potentially shutting down the main drag to car traffic and having pass through vehicles be re-routed could really help make it more pedestrian friendly and give businesses a better chance to capitalize on the foot traffic.
I had an overall great time.

I think that the city was not prepared for the influx of people. Not enough hotels rooms-- and those available were highly overpriced or required several nights stay. After the concert it would have been wise/nice for eating establishments to stay open late. Also, on Sunday morning the city diners didn't prepare for the influx of guests wanting to buy breakfast. It would be wise to add staff on those mornings-- A learning curve.

no room for chairs

Concert was good, but the venue is small and long lines for everything was frustrating.

There was a ton a waiting time in between when the doors opened and then the show started. Also, the venue isn't far from Adams State, which means students were there and the food was outrageous.

Alabama Shakes was amazing! Crowd was a little mellow and didn't always appreciate our excitement. Beer was awesome but very expensive. Very hard to find a quality breakfast and dining in the downtown area before 10 a.m. We didn't ask around however.

Taos is a fun area and the show was fantastic

Alabama Shakes put on an amazing show and my husband and I were not expecting to like the show as much as we did. We always enjoy visiting Taos and can't say that it ever doesn't exceed our expectations.

All good

Great community, awesome shopping, and phenomenal dining!

Venue was extremely organized . Very impressed when leaving concert the exit out was blocked for safety of pedestrians . Limiting beer to 4 visits is good idea to tone down potential rowdiness . Alabama Shakes what a treat!!

Concert too short, love Taos!!

Too many tickets sold, crowded venue. Not allowed to bring in water, only water available at concert cost money, which was not as advertised. Lack of public transportation in and around Taos, added charge at RV campground to pitch a tent.

I felt the sound wasn't loud enough and the concert seemed short. Was irritated about the lack of clarity as to what age kids needed tickets.

I feel that the venue did not have the resources for the amount of people that were at the show. There were far too few bathrooms and as soon as it got dark they were disgusting since no one apparently could see where they were peeing- at least have some lighting around. The beer lines were never shorter than 20-30 minutes. There were no other options for adult beverages... There is good wine in New Mexico why weren't those vendors there. I waited entirely too long for a coffee drink that was never received. The vendors seemed overwhelmed.i did however have some amazing food- especially the veggie spring rolls!

At least the weather held out for us.

The Alabama Shakes only played music for 1 hour!!! That was a $60 ticket and I expect 2-3 hours from a headlining band. What gives?

Concert was wonderful & Taos was great too!

I have been there before and I knew what to expect

The entire weekend went by too fast. Even though we really enjoyed the concert it seemed short. The food was great in town and even though there were 8,000 people there you would not have known it as we never had to wait in line. Luckily, we were able to walk form our Airbnb to the plaza and Kit Carson Park otherwise driving would have been a challenge due to all the traffic.
The concert was fun, and I enjoyed getting a chance to explore Taos & the surrounding area.

Traffic sucked

The city of Taos and their employees did an exceptional job of organizing the event. The park was a great venue and people were congenial and polite. And it didn't rain! The equipment for the concert was stellar and the performance was outstanding! My best activity all summer!

very well organized and it was so great seeing a concert in a park!!

Concert was amazing. Venue organization was good. Traffic was not favorable, but not horrid either. Finding a hotel was challenging. Overall, good times. (Maybe get some off site parking areas with shuttle transport available scenarios set up in town)

love Taos. Went to the Harwood to see Dodge Luhan exhibit, Couse open house and pottery display, and Parsons open house. Went shopping downtown, had breakfast at the Farmers Market. Planted flowers at my house

I had an awesome time. Very fun to visit a town I’ve never been to.

Exhausting standing for 4 hours at concert. Couldn’t sit for fear of being trampled. Taos needs a concert venue with outdoor seating available. And not enough late night places open to accommodate people after concert for dinner/drinks.

The concert was wonderful and the environment was really relaxed. My visit to Taos was also really nice. The town is really cute and the people were very friendly.

I live here PT, so know what to expect.

The concert was amazing!

Brittany Howard is an AMAZING artist - and she delivered. Holy smokes, did she deliver. Venue was awesome. Taos handled the whole size of event gracefully. Well done - as a former Taosena - I was impressed.

The concert was well organized and really fun. The venue was clean and comfortable. The atmosphere was friendly and relaxing. The community support, especially security and police, was also friendly and efficient. Town was clean and our campground was nice.

I've spent a lot of time in Taos before, and really enjoyed the trip, but I would have liked to stay longer, and it would have been nice to find accommodations closer to town

I was very impressed with the venue but not with the way the beer tents were set up and how long their lines were. I was even more impressed with Friday’s concert at Taos Mesa brewery. I loved that there were both events.

Not very many options for affordable hotels or places to stay

Very much enjoyed the venue. Had a great place to stay at the last minute. Originally made reservations with Alpine Village however they cancelled my reservations 2 days before check in and majority of Taos was Sold out. B&B pulled through which was closer than the 35 minute drive.

too crowded and commercial

This was one of the most well organized concerts I have ever been too. I regularly attend concerts and fests out of state. This was by far one of the most pleasant experiences of my life.

Great but not perfection.

Long lines at concert

The concert was the reason for my visit, but the drive was absolutely beautiful.
we always enjoy a reason to visit Taos

Seems like the artwork is all similar. Though there are a lot of beautiful works.

Love the concert. Would be nice if there were bleachers in the back for those who want to sit.

I always enjoy Taos. Was pretty awesome that Taos held such a huge event there like Alabama Shakes.

The event was very well organized. The NM hospitality was impressive. The shop owners were very friendly. Food was awesome! But most if all, the police were ambassadors to the great city. Very professional bug friendly with smiles, noticeably “different” from almost everywhere else. The police are to be recognized during this time of adverse policing. The town of Toas Police are the best part of the show. FYI, I called and left a voice mail at the police department, it really was that good, slowing traffic into main streets with the lights timed do that we could get out of time was like a Red Carpet! Most friendly!!

Parking was great! The camp ground were kind of far from the concert. I really didn't mind. The hotels were all booked up 2 months in advance, otherwise i would have stayed at a hotel. Overall, I was satisfied!

Lines were long, obstructed view of stage.

Taos is my absolute favorite getaway - good food, nice people, unique things to do in town.

The concert experience was excellent. It was easy to park, easy to get in the venue. It was a comfortable setting in the park. The actual performance was good, but could have been better if the artist would have interacted with the crowd more.

Too many tickets sold. The venue was crowded. It was impossible to see, get a beer, get a snack and go to the bathroom.

Great music and well organized

We may too old for an outdoor concert. Got there when Dawes was playing and stood at the fringes, it was too much standing to not be able to see. We did not want to sit on blankets, would have preferred low chairs. Got one beer, when I got in line after Shakes started, they told me I could come through 4 times, 2 beers per time! Egads, that's too much beer!!! No wonder there were way too many drunk souls in the audience, we left early because we were concerned with (1) drunk fights, and (2) drunk drivers. The bands were excellent. Also our bed was uncomfortable. Aside from that, we ate at The Love Apple and it was superb!

Concert very well organized. Music great!

We wanted to stay in Taos overnight but all lodging was booked. The concert was fantastic. But some of the crowd made it less enjoyable. I'm not opposed to smoking dope, but I don't do so myself. Yet I inhaled a lot of second hands smoke at the show.

Enjoyed the food trucks. Wish vendors had wine in addition to beer. Lodging was good. Concert seemed well organized. Music was sensational.

Really impressed with how quickly fans were admitted to park. Always enjoy Taos, there's so much to do.

way too many people for event venue, made it a miserable experience

Sound mixing of the concert was not as good as it should have been. Bass was to lound to hear vocals, perticularly the harmonies. Also to many people so lines were long and no where to sit and see the bands.

The excessively long lines for drinks took away from the experience a bit. Also no lighting at the restrooms in the evening hours. Took a bit long to get the music going. ..kinda kills the mood. But the venue was beautiful and the line to get in was easier than most. I don't think chairs would have been awful to allow.
Overall very positive experience.

Been to Taos many times. Always a good time. As an older adult, it was uncomfortable to NOT be able to bring a chair. 2 bad knees made standing for the entire concert uncomfortable, so we left before the encore. Luckily, you could hear the show all over town (<:

setting arrangements not good.

We had a great experience at the concert. We did not spend any time in the town. We arrived just in time to attend the concert and drove straight out of town afterwards.

I had a good time, but it was a little crowded.

The concert was claustrophobic for me, partly because there were no markers delineating aisles to reserved to get to and from bathrooms, food and drink. Especially after dark, it was difficult to move around without tripping over objects and people. Took me almost 30 minutes to get access to a port-potty between Dawes and AS. I have never been to an outdoor concert or festival without areas reserved for passage to and from parts of the venue, and lines drawn on the grass to designate areas where blankets are allowed, or standing only. I am 5'5" tall and I was near the sound board with a center view of the stage, and I could not see anything. The stage was on the uphill side of the field and the natural elevation meant no matter who I was behind I could not see anything, nothing, for the entire set. Was like listening to a recording.

Park did not offer seating, concessions, would not allow chairs. Park not good venue for 8000. I am somewhat disabled and sat on a blanket behind thousands.

good times

The concert was great, the venue was perfect. Everyone working the concert was amazing!

It was a great show with good food options and a few beer tents.

Well organized event, however the opening band should have gone up at the scheduled time.

Great food trucks at concert venue & set up.

The sound could have been much better. There were times I felt that my singing was louder than the speakers. I was front / center and there were no speakers pointed in that direction.

Otherwise it was great. Taos is always a treat and even more so when there is amazing music like this. Thank you.

It was a great concert by any measure and being able to get their on bicycle from a nearby Arab park made it so much more relaxing and enjoyable.

Great concert and wonderful atmosphere but extremely long wait time at restaurants and all the shops and bars closed down too early.

Great concert!

The hotel we stayed in was horrible. Indian Hills Hotel was dirty, unmaintained, the window did not lock, sheets and towels were stained and dirty.

Outside of the beautiful, power artistry of the Shakes'. The sound was crystal clear! Several friends are musicians and noted that, I have a sensitive ear and if felt as if the band was acoustic in a small room (in a good way). The event was well organized, and enjoyable. We appreciated the event parking - walking was nice as we are young robust folks who could do it. Not sure about differently abled folk, though. Well done! Will definitely be attending more events!

We would have never purchased tickets if we knew what we know now. You kept changing the guidelines for what could and couldn't be brought into the concert. We received numerous emails with changes. It was ridiculous. Now you can't bring this. Now you can't bring that. Also, low chairs should have been allowed into the venue. You were all about
making money and selling as many tickets as possible and not about customer comfort. Some people cannot stand for that long due to injuries or chronic conditions. It was not enjoyable. Sell less tickets for more money to allow for a real outdoor concert experience. People that want to dance or stand can go to a designated area.

Well, I wasn't a huge fan of the venue. I loved that the concert was outdoors and that there were food trucks, but it was so crowded and I just prefer buying a seat so people aren't constantly walking by and obstructing your view of the show.

The cigarette smoke and all the drunk douchebags smoking them all around me killed my ability to enjoy the show. Also, would have been nice if there were other adult beverages besides beer.

Had an awesome time! Was just bummed that we couldn't find any more rooms / vacancy. Otherwise, awesome trip!

The stay was great. Thank goodness for Uber!!!! Uber driver was knowledgeable and took us to Taos Brewing Co pretty far from town. Restaurants had excellent customer service but were understaffed and you could see the wear on the employees. Understaffing/unprepared restaurants created LONG waits for food and was frustrating.

'ICause I can

It was well-planned and coordinated. It was easy to park. Really great night!

I LOVE TAOS!

Had a blast! The weather, the venue, the people were all awesome. The food trucks and beer tents were great! The music was incredible! One of my favorite concerts of all time. And our air bnb was really beautiful and peaceful!

Great location, friendly people, good food and lots of things to do

We had a blast enjoyed every moment in Taos.

Beside the fact the music was absolutely the best I was impressed with the efficiency and organization of the event and extremely impressed with the staging and lighting. I also love visiting Taos.

I hate standing at concerts. People walk right over you. I think there was plenty of room for chairs. The concert was great. Taos needs a better layout.

Loved the performance and have always loved Taos, but one big thing marred our enjoyment of this show: the stage visibility in Kit Carson Park is awful. I understand it's a park first and foremost, and that ballpark-style seating or banking of the ground are impossible, but if the platform on which the musicians performed were five feet higher, everyone could have seen the show clearly. As it was, only those in the first two "rows" at the very front of the stage could SEE the performers. Everyone else was lucky to catch glimpses of the lead singer's head from time to time. Alternately, if a separate dance area were created to one side, and everyone else was instructed to stay seated, that would make visibility great for all, too. $60/person is a lot to pay for a concert you can't really see. On the plus side, the sound was superb, the staff was friendly and efficient, there were plenty of port-a-potties, and there was a nice variety of high-quality food trucks. If you could fix the visibility issue, even though it's a 3-hour drive, Kit Carson would be our favorite concert venue in NM and we'd come to many more concerts. I heard many, many people saying the same thing at the show. Thanks for sending this survey. Always good to feel a town cares.

The concert was really well organized. Doors opened early and we were able to enter quickly. Lines for food and beer were long but did not detract from the overall experience.

The concert was well organized and despite the large amount of people it didn't seem chaotic or crowded in town

There was only 1 beer tent, which was ridiculously long and bottle necked the entire flow of the space. Also we could not leave the venue and re-enter.

I know Taos well and love it, so it didn't exceed my expectations, but it met my high expectations! Great time!!!
Taos is my hometown, and one of the most beautiful and vibrant towns in America. My father and sister both live in Taos, and it's always a pleasure to come home! The concert was exceedingly well produced and well executed.

Just great.

The concert went so smoothly! Taos is incredibly beautiful.

The concert was fantastic. The sound system was amazing! The weather was great! The food and beverage carts were great! The B&B was less than satisfactory! I will never stay there again.

Too many people at the park!!!

great place for a concert

I love Taos. Having Alabama Shakes there just made my visit even better.

Had a great time with friends

I love Taos so no problem there. The concert venue was terrible. Didn't allow chairs. I got there early had a nice place up front with blanket down and then it all got mobbed and had to stand and couldn't see anything. I would never see another concert at this venue again. Awful. Music was great. But standing in a crowd like sardines was awful.

concert ended too early. It was barely after 10pm. would be nice to bring food into a park setting

No hotels.

The concert was well-run, packed, fun, exciting! My accommodations, the food, the nightlife, the storms, and the overall beauty of Taos made for a fantastic trip!

The concert was amazing. I live in Albuquerque, so I am a NM resident (Q5 didn't take that in to account). My only issue is the ridiculous increase in lodging price for the event.

The service at the hotel, restaurants and bars we visited was lackluster.

The Alabama Shakes show was incredible. We didn't appreciate the super high cost of a really mediocre hotel, however.

The venue was set up well, easy to get in/out of. The sound was great. The staff at the concert and people in town were very friendly.

Concert was short.

Had a great time!

Band was excellent but the sound at the venue was quite terrible. Dining in Taos was very disappointing. The art is nowhere near the quality you would see in places like Santa Fe.

I always have a great time in Taos with friends and family.

The concert was great but I did not like the opening act

I didn't enjoy the concert as much as I expected because the music volume vs the singing seemed too equal.

The concert was amazing, the venue was perfect, and we really love Taos!

I would have completed this survey without a raffle. Great experience all around. So easy and so fun!
traffic was horrible and beer lines way too long

Loved the band and I loved the Kit Carson Venue. Perfect weather.

Seemed very well organized.

The concert was fantastic and well worth the money and travel, but I did have some issues with Kit Carson park itself. Taos itself was gorgeous and the people I found very hospitable.

Always love Taos, and the show was well organized.

As a long-time Albuquerque resident, I have visited Taos many times. I knew what to expect. I thought the concert was well-run. Police/firefighters seemed cool and relaxed.

Traffic through town is tough but we love Taos and I was impressed with concert set up and food options. Food/drink lines were too long.

the concert was amazing. the security and organization of the event were really well done, the food trucks and beer tents were great. everything was easy and well coordinated. sunday morning we went to world cup for coffee, and the owners of the vape shop opened in the 10 minutes we were inside. they freaked about us being parked in front of their store and were very confrontational about how we were preventing their customers from having parking. i understand their concerns and had the store been open when we pulled up, we wouldn't have parked there. their reaction wasn't by any means terrible, but it probably isn't the message the town of taos wants their businesses sending to visitors. that being said, we are in albuquerque and frequent taos several times a year for its splendid galleries, shopping, dining, skiing, hiking, camping, etc.

Cause Taos kicks ass

Concert was excellent. Shuttles would have made it nicer. Hard to get around by car if you were staying several miles away.

The concert was better than expected, I live in new mexico and so taos cannot be a surprise, the slider does not allow me to select 2.5 so I can't be completely neutral.

Parking was easier than expected. Show was good, but not sure if it was worth the high$/ticket.

Beautiful venue and great band! The pueblo of Taos was gorgeous and very hospitable.

As for the concert - I would say it exceeded my expectations regarding the music and the venue and the ease of entrance. I didn't mark it as so because I have an issue with the amount of plastic cups and other recyclable items left on the ground when the show was over, which all went in the trash/landfill/buried in the earth. I would have expected that for a town like Taos and a community show, the service of recycling would be offered. So much plastic could have been diverted from the landfill. A group of my friends and I gathered a trash bag full of recyclables to make a statement and walked around asking where we could recycle and all we heard back was, "That would be nice but.... (nothing)" or "yeah take it to Walmart" or "We don't do that here". Everyone who is apart of a show like that, has a huge impact in all ways - why not reduce the negative impact of generating more trash and eliminating the idea that there is no other option than putting recyclables into the trash. Last thing is that It was hard to find public camping spots as they all filled up quickly and there aren't as many as you would expect to be in the Taos area. It would have been nice if another area was offered up for FREE camping or at least cheaper than what it was at Taos Mesa Brewing.

It was fun, but there were so many people.

The concert was amazing! I thought everything went well at Kit Carson Park. It seemed very well organized.

Everything was easy
Taos is one of our favorite places to spend weekends when we can, so we always enjoy our time there regardless of how we spend it. The Alabama Shakes concert was phenomenal and was only enhanced by the thoughtful event organization and planning.

I love Taos' culture food music art peacefulness

Was easier than I thought it would be with high number of people.

Too many rules at the concert

One of the best concerts I've ever seen in New Mexico. The event was incredibly well organized and I had nothing but an amazing time.

I love Taos, everyone is very down to earth, very home like feeling and welcoming. Taos is very beautiful and scenic.

The concert was amazing, however sitting was an issue. We arrived two hours before the concert to reserve a spot with a blanket to sit, relax and watch the concert and unfortunately everyone began coming to the front and standing and completely pushed their way and were extremely rude. I really enjoyed Alabama Shakes, however I have never attended a concert where the fans were so rude.

Could t see stage well

we were fortunate to get ahead of it and book a b&b that was close to plaza. the concert was run so well! it was easy and felt safe and comfortable.

The weather was great and easy to park and walk a short distant to concert.

Chain smoker next to me at concert

Met with friends and had a good time

Show was great but ever since the Solar Fest couldn't keep itself viable, the shows at the park are typically average at best. There seems to be a "planning" or execution issue with all the amenities and organizational issues versus the actual execution.

Stayed at El Camino Lodge. Will not stay there again.

Great concert. Ran out of stuff to do in town.

I live here.

The concert was well planned for access to venue.

Traffic in town was difficult to maneuver.

The lines for food and drinks and the bathroom took hours to get through

Needed chairs but not allowed to bring them, restaurants in Taos had terrible service.

The stage for the concert was really nice and there was plenty of food. The lines for drinks were too long, and there wasn't enough water for everyone. Taos was extremely crowded that weekend and it was hard to get around town.

So the concert was great and the music was beautiful, I was kinda taken back by the lack of vendors at the park. The lines were extremely too long. They also ran out of water at the water booths!! The traffic in Taos was horrible but its understandable due to the size of the town. Other than that everything was great.

Music great- too crowded in park- should limit to 6000-6500
As I explained - we missed the show because we were forced to search for lodging last minute. The manager at Wagner's Casitas - Taos Territorial's Melissa, overbooked and left us without lodging. We didn't stay in Taos and missed the concert searching for somewhere to stay. Melissa did offer to put us up in her own residence (at the same price as the rental cottage in town). Terrible - and she made Taos lose credibility for us. We didn't get to go out to the fancy restaurant we'd planned, go to the pueblo in the morning, or do any of the things we'd hoped for. All because of one shady hotelier.

I LOVE TAOS!

The concert was great!!!! Great to see such good much going to Taos. The town itself was not prepared for the number of people. Restaurants closed early, night life was not prepared with enough staff to offer great service.

I reserved a room at the Indian Hills hotel in Taos at the beginning of March, when I purchased the tickets to the show. I was looking forward to spending the weekend with my husband enjoying Taos and the surrounding area for the weekend. Despite the reservation, I was told our room was overbooked and we were left without a place to stay hours before the concert was set to begin. We spent another hour trying to find different accommodations with no luck. I was appalled that I had to drive 3 hours into Taos after working all day, only to have to drive another 3 hours after the show was over to get home. The service at the Indian Hills was atrocious, the family who owns the place was so rude, and to think they are one of our first impressions of your small town. I would've loved to check out everything your town had to offer but was unable because of some money hungry business owners.

It was overly crowded with no method to the madness. Hard to see the stage. Very long lines for everything. And an abundance of overly intoxicated people.

Being a NM resident I have been to Taos numerous times. This trip was different in the fact that we went with a friend who has family and they showed us all the fun hiking areas and local things to do.

Had a great time! Accommodations were great, close to the concert park, and the concert venue was amazing.

Great venue, great band.
Enjoyed the cooler weather and the race weekend being combined with the concert
Parking and accommodations difficult to find, town itself is great.
Parking was easy, and entrance to the show was well organized and smooth. Both Dawes and Alabama Shakes were fantastic, the crowd was wonderful-diverse, friendly, having a great time but no crowd issues at all. My visit to Taos was great but due to unexpected issues at home, we did not get to stay as long as we would have liked to and were not able to go to museums or shop.

Very well organized, easy to find and safe, friendly environment.
Great venue. Relaxed. Not too crowded. Lots of positive energy. Great weather right after a rain. Lots of great food trucks.
I love Taos. It is where I am from originally and I always have a wonderful time there.
Have visited Taos before, other than experiencing the food and nightlife, not much more interest me

We were welcomed very warmly by our hosts who introduced us to their friends and made sure we felt at home. We stayed near the plaza so we walked to most of our activities which included going to Farmers market, visiting the plaza, shopping and dinning.

The concert was fun at a great venue. Our B&B was great.
The traffic in and out to venue was tough. Parking and then after the blocking and redirecting of traffic.
Good show. Taos is great (we have a home there). Sound not perfect. I think the stage should be at the bottom of the hill not the top (if that is possible....)
I think the event coordinators need to consider adding wine to the list of drink options. Why not close off the main drag outside of the event and redirect the traffic so that its pedestrian friendly. Event shuttles would be great!!

Concert was great nice set up. Thought Taos town would be a little nicer and more accessible. Lodging near the park is really not convenient and the lodging is extremely expensive. Would be the reason for not returning a second time.

Concert was great, but Alabama Shakes could have played more than 1 hour 20 minutes.
Always like visiting Taos - parents live there, I visit about once/month.

The venue was excellent: clean, organized, staff were/are polite, beer selection was excellent. Even though I did not eat at the food trucks, it was a pleasant to see that it was not the usual concession stands that are standard at music venues. The stage and sound quality was great. I've been to Taos, so it was a standard trip.

For a crowd that large, a jumbotron or big screen would have been nice.

Everything was good

Concert ticketing, venue access, and show quality/space were easy! Taos up and over was excellent addition to the day as a cheerer or participant (from what I heard).

Concert was good, as I expected it would be, but all lodging in the area was booked so we spent $225 for one night in a standard room at a hotel that was 2 miles away and not even clean or well kept up. I would have expected to pay far less for this type of room.

Great concert and facility. The beer lines were a bit long, but I liked the wrist band idea instead of the fenced in beer garden we get in ABQ. Good work all around.

Had a great dinner at Lambert's and breakfast at Taos Diner with friends, enjoyed the show, and the whole process was hassle free - enough staff, bathrooms, beer lines.

Not allowing the vendors to sell water was ridiculous and dangerous to your patrons. The people working the event were not well informed. I asked several people where the merch tent was, there wasn't one, and I was given the run around.

everything went very smooth, including the entrance gates to the venue.
The concert: amazing venue with well-run event planning, amazing bands.

Taos: had a bad experience with restaurant service getting lunch, but everything else was phenomenal. More signs to find parking for the event would have been helpful.

ADA area for the concert was too far away from the stage. Gold Standard for ADA amenities is Austin city Limits Festival. This festival's venue that had 5 more stages. http://www.acdfestival.com/information/

The performance was one of the best I've ever seen.
We enjoyed camping in the national forest on Saturday night.
We had a lovely breakfast in Taos Sunday morning.

Great weather, nice peaceful crowd

The concert was more crowded than I expected. I prefer smaller settings. However, the visit as a whole was lovely. Adored the Mabel Dodge Luhan House and plan to go back to Taos next year for rafting and relaxing.

Want to visit and see more later
It was crowded. I was worried about parking because there were I references for parking sites, it turned okay though.

The concert was held at a great venue, the food trucks were amazing and the beverage tent were plenty. Alabama Shakes didn't play long enough. The played 1 hour and stopped came back for a couple more songs. I feel like chairs would great to take in or if supplied by venue importance. We sat by a area that had seats and many were vacant. There should be a chair area in the park.

We did not get to spend much time in Taos proper.

The band was more awesome in person than on their albums.

Loved the concert. Pricing for staying in hotel local area was OUTRAGEOUS!

I had fun with my friends and the people were nice.

The whole weekend was amazing. The only thing that maybe needed improvement was exiting the venue. There were a lot of cars parked near the venue and it would have been nice to have more pedestrian/traffic direction, just for safety. Everything went amazingly though, considering how condensed Taos is vs. the size of the crowd the Bama Shakes attracted. Well done. Taos, never change though. Stay weird.

The concert's only downside was that the general admission seating created the chance for people to have to talk, share, and adapt with each others needs, wants, & flaws. For whatever reason there was this odd distinct feeling of belonging to a bigger picture. tl;dl y'all did a great job on sound, food (even the lines were fast!), parking, toilets, beer, yadda yadda yadda.

There should be more alcohol beverage options. Lines were also too long and unorganized.

Finding lodging was difficult and we reserved a room the previous week, we would have preferred to stay closer to town. The line was much better for the concert than when it was for Mumford and Sons. The venue is amazing!

Not having chairs was tough while trying to sit on the ground with drinks and people were more inclined to step on your stuff without chairs to make you walk around. Beer line was too long, bathroom line was long.

Kachina Lodge for 110+tax. Yikes! Too much for that place.

The venue was not stocked with enough portapoties, food trucks, or beverage tents. There were way too many people for what there was.

Beer lines were long, Beer list was short :(

Perfect location, we walked to the Ale House and Taos Inn for drinks and food.

Concert was great and Taos and the surrounding area is great. A very cool hippie vibe!

I love Taos.

was all great

Beautiful weather. Awesome concert.

The venue was well organized with the vendors, and restrooms. I GREATLY appreciated the amp water bottles and refill stations for the price. It was also very easy to get to and leave the concert for my family and I.

It was awesome.

It sucked that we couldn't bring lawn chairs. This was a laid-back concert to sit, relax, and enjoy the show. As everyone was standing, it was hard to see the artists perform. I suggest the stage is lifted higher.

Concert venue wasn't ideal for that many people.
Stayed at the Indian hills Inn and had my car vandalised in their parking lot. Ghetto and filthy hotel

I didn't have high expectations regarding the venue since it was outdoors and it's monsoon season. I still think we lucked out with the weather as it would have been a completely different, muddy, and uncomfortable experience otherwise. The food truck lines were aggravatingly long and quite a few only took cash.

I've been to Taos plenty of times, it beautiful!!! Everything about it is so great, it's the first established place in North America! It is where art was born here in America do to the rail roads, all do to the beautiful scenery and Natives wich brought life and the beauty to the world in so many ways! Having music which is a great art and so much other art surrounding in one place is a great thing! The promoters did a great job, I've been to a lot of things in this beautiful place and they did one of the best jobs I've seen to preserver a good time with out disturbing the peace!!!! I Love Taos!!!

The laid back, efficient ease of entering the venue. Very short bathroom lines in comparison to other venues.

it was a very pleasant experience-

B&B was incredible. Weather was perfect. Food was delicious. Concert was beyond my expectations. Got in early. Ate from a food truck. Enjoyed beer and the opening act. Organized. It was wonderful!!

EMAILS STATED BEER, WINE, AND CIDER WOULD BE SERVED, ONLY BEER!!!!!! Very upsetting. Also all food trucks only took cash, no atm in park.

Although the concert was wonderful.. Loved Dawes and Alabama shakes. I should have brought a camping chair with a back.. I'm in the 55-60 age group .. no chairs makes it a bit difficult for such a long time

My expectations were high, but both the concert and Taos were more awesome than I expected. even.

We live in Albuquerque, have family (and a place to stay) in Dixon, NM (about 30 mins from Taos). We came into Taos only for the show. The show was Awesome, and I would say the visit to Taos "met expectations."

Concert production was impressive and the performance was beyond expectations. The stay was lovely, and the sites to see (Rio Grande Gorge) was unbelievable. I wish I had more time to see more.

The concert director returned our phone within 5 minutes of leaving a message regarding a service dog. We had no idea that there would actually be ADA accomodations. Penny, the volunteer at the ADA accommodation seating was beyond helpful to our minor daughter and her service dog. This made my daughter's 1st concert with her service dog unbelievably comfortable and less fearful.

Amazing concert, well handled crowd control, food, beverages, security, etc.

I felt the concert venue needed more food/drink vendors and some more lighting in order to get around the park easier after dark.

Taos is always a lovely place to visit, the locals are so friendly and welcoming.

Would have liked to take in camp chairs to sit on - would have liked to be able to buy wine to drink - would have liked a regular pale ale to be available.

Motel was awful and we left without being served at Earline's for breakfast the following morning, restaurant not prepared for business

It was good

Didn't visit Taos. Just attended the concert and left.

I ended up sitting to the side for most of the concert and didn't realize how much the sound quality off to the right side was degraded until towards the end I walked to the middle.

I had wanted to stay at a hotel or AirBnB in Taos but everything was sold out. I had to camp.
I had high expectations for both, and was pleased with the entire experience.

My expectations were very high and they were met.

It was hard to find accommodation to stay in. Not many places open. I do not drink beer and there was no other alcohol options available at the concert.

The weather was perfect, the concert was well organized and the crowd was well-behaved. Our AirBNB was in walking distance to the Plaza and Kit Carson Park.

Concert venue was good. The drinks were limited to beer only as the alcohol option which wasn't great. The porta-potties were not terribly clean at the beginning of the show.

Concert: The concert was awesome! there are some improvements I think you be done to the venue but over all it exceeded my expectations considering is was in a park! Visit: I have stayed at Sage Brush Inn many times and have always enjoyed it, however it's been about 4 years since my last visit and I was quite disappointed this time. We stayed in the aux building and it was run down, the foldout couch was a joke and the breakfast is not what it used to be, etc. I'll be staying elsewhere from now on.

I had a great time.

Forgot what it's like to attend a field hosted concert, so forgot the views would be moving targets. Wish we had spent more time in Taos.

Had a great time!

Numerous places we visited, including our hotel, were not prepared for high volume of visitors. Taos Pueblo was AWESOME, though, and we enjoyed finding trail heads in the ski area. Some merchants appeared resentful of the crowd, which creates an awkward atmosphere. Britney Howard of The Shakes was full of praise for Taos and its beauty--the show was excellent.

awesome music/engery

Taos is always fun.

I couldn't see the stage. No video screens, no chairs, no water stations, beer lines were forever and I do not even drink. never AGAIN IF THAT IS THE SET UP.

I don't think the infrastructure is in place to support that many people. There was no where to park. We had to park a mile away. Also when checking into my hotel we had to wait an hour and a half for check in because they were not prepared for the crowd.

The concert was well-organized. The wait time in all lines (bathroom, beer, food) was acceptable. Bars and restaurants did not seem prepared for all of the people after the concert. It was nearly impossible to get in to anywhere, and the waits were excessive.

crowd was too large for my enjoyment and the food truck selection was not up to par and there were not many trucks to choose from thus leading to large aggreavating lines

For the ticket price, the venue could've been set up a little better.

The concert was fabulous but too crowded. The beer lines were too long. Folding chairs should be allowed! The food trucks were great! Taos is beautiful! El Monte Sagrado was wonderful! I plan to return very soon for some R & R.

Good venue...good food

Smoking was allowed which I could not believe in this day and age. The motel I usually stay in doubled their prices. I had to stay else where. With chairs not being allowed there were no paths and people were walking all over other people.
I wished with a crowd that large there would have been large video screens on either side of the stage. The sound was
great, but I really couldn't feel like I was "seeing" them.

The music and atmosphere was amazing. Plus we Love Taos.

The concert was great-Taos is nice, but I didn't know all activities available

The concert was amazing but food vendors needs improvement

Sound at Kit Carson was great, environment relaxing, budget hotel clean and well kept

Hotel was a disappointment and people working at bars were not very friendly

Great atmosphere, great organization, peaceful, serene, mellow. Weather was clement too, which helped

The major problem with the concert was the other patrons' use of blankets and tarps during the show. They continued to
have their blankets spread out on the grass, which kept the rest of the concert goers from stepping into, or on, the area of
grass that the blanket or tarp was covering. So, there were 2-4 people taking 10-30 square feet of ground and refusing to
let other concert goers step on their "claimed" territory or move forward to EMPTY spaces closer to the stage.

The group I came with had terrible service in Taos, which ranged from our hotel to almost every restaurant where we
dined. The town did not seem prepared to handle the influx of people for the concert.

They were both splendid.

Wonderful Night.

Ended too early and nothing was open after

I travel to Taos from Albuquerque frequently, so I knew what to expect of the town. I have also attended concerts at Kit
Carson Park many times and felt this one was handled well.

Beautiful venue for a concert. Great crowd. Everyone we met was pleasant. We spoke with a Taos police officer for about
15 minutes and he told us about the town and gave recommendations about where to eat. Love the walkability of town.
Everything is close by.

Great concert. Even more amazing town.

The Concert was excellent, although the food trucks were terrible in terms of lines, quality, and price. I was disappointed
that so little in terms of restaurants and bars were open immediately after the concert.

Town looks boarded up. Hotels in disrepair

Amazing concert, great venue.

Cost of hotels in the area.

Beautiful venue, perfect weather

The show was great and so were all the people! Taos was also great as always!

Our experience was wonderful aside from our hotel.

Great show the crowd was great. Easy parking and great food.
Great Venue, weather was fantastic.

Hotel was disgusting

Long lines for food/drinks at concert. Long wait at restaurants.

I love Taos, the venue was perfect, we had a great time visiting

That venue is tough for a concert, but it was better organized than we anticipated

It could have been louder. The audio quality was fantastic, however.

Alabama Shakes’ performance was amazing. The venue and weather were nice. There could have been more choices for vendors. There was only beer and it would have been nice to have wine and more dessert choices.

The concert was well-planned and easy to attend. The bands were awesome.

Weather was great, venue was great, music was great and local breweries were delicious!

It was awesome like I expected. Would have liked wine at the venue. Also, it would have been nice to be able to bring chairs.

Great concert, great venue, excellent food/drink vendors, everything ran smoothly, Town of Taos was ready for crowds/traffic, great atmosphere, could not have been better

I’ve lived in Albuquerque all my life and this was my first visit to Taos. It was beautiful! I loved the culture, the nature and the vibe altogether. Friends and I are planning another visit to experience more of Taos soon! (hopefully rafting!)

I met new people who showed me around town. Taos is very beautiful place to walk around and become inspired.

I did not enjoy Dawes. However, the Alabama Shakes more than made up for Dawes. There are a couple of issues I had with the venue.

1. There were not chairs to rent. At my local concert venue, there is the option to rent ($5/chair) and foldable beach chair. These chairs do not sit high, but allow for back support. My husband was very uncomfortable while sitting. There are various groups who rent out the chairs. Some are high school groups (band, orchestra, etc.). I thought this may be an opportunity to benefit different local groups and also the patrons of the concert.

2. I enjoyed how the concert was dim so that I could see the stage, but also the beautiful night sky. That being said, when the Alabama Shakes came on it was already dark. When other concert goers started making their way closer, they were tripping and stepping all over people. I thought that having designated rows where people could walk for beer, bathrooms, etc. that were lighted would have been very helpful.

Toas is a beautiful place, I visit often. The concert was great

Concert was too crowded. I much prefer the Taos SolarFest as a music festival- more relaxed atmosphere

Visiting Taos is great, but visiting Taos for during tourist season made the town feel cramped.

Had a good time

Concert was good although the speakers didn't sound very good and it was a bit chaotic with no seating. Taos was alright. Seemed a bit pricier than it should be, and was a bit old (more odd old than charming old) also they should have had restaurants open after the concert! I was starving after and just went to sonic (as did everyone else leaving!)

It was better organized and thought out then I thought it would be. Will definitely be coming back to Taos
Pleasant concert atmosphere

Parking was a mess. Overall, the event was well handled. I wish the lawn was on more of a grade so it would be easier to see the stage.

I wish I would have booked a room in Taos earlier - I had to stay in Angel Fire

We waited too long and could not find a hotel to stay in (nor Airbnb, nor home away)

Very dissatisfied with Kachina Lodge service and accommodations.

Lines are leg to get into the venue and parking was very spread out. Traffic was thick leaving the venue.

New Mexico is trying hard to be a green state, I volunteer with Planet Bluegrass and they practice sustainable festivation, recycling bins next to every trash can and compost bins too! So I was disappointed when I didn't see a single recycling bin, I understand composting is an involved process but recycling is something a lot of people are familiar with. Also reusable chips for beer would be a great idea! Pay a nominal fee for the first with the cup then a little cheaper for the rest, saves the environment and gives attendees a souvenir!! Also add water fill stations, we've paid the money for the concert, the drive, lodging, food and drink, the least Taos could do is provide water refills!

The concert was well planned and organized. Our visit in Taos could not have been better as we were able to walk to every destination all weekend.

Alabama Shakes were awesome and the pre concert with Galactic was exceptional.

The venue was nice except it was difficult to see the bands because the field slopes the wrong way for a concert.

Taos handled the crowd and the concert very well.

We had to stay in Angel Fire because lodging was sold out in Taos.

Concert was very crowded and over priced at $60 parking was very difficult we printed a map of parking and couldn't find or access the free lots

Concert access is difficult

not enough facilities for the crowd, entrance, vendors

Lines were very long for beer and beer was only selection. Maybe a line for sangria or wine cooler

I just love Taos in general. The venue was awesome! The concert was unforgettable and the energy and good vibes from other concert goers were so refreshing!

I've been there before and nothing was different from what I remember.

Awesome band, wonderful venue (park, food trucks, beer), very scenic landscape.

Taos was absolutely beautiful. It's green, the people are friendly. Heck, even the police are friendly.

The concert itself was a blast! The venue was a perfect location.

Concert was fantastic, town was as expected

Fabulous concert and visited family

Great weekend all around.

The city catered to the concert goers and made info readily available before the concert, great venue with food, drink and helpful event staff. Well organized, Sound was great even in the back of the crowd
Great weather

It was a good show. I could hear great but not see. That was fine, however, I would have preferred to have had a lawn chair. I was kicked and stepped on multiple times. Not to mention the occasional beer splash from those passing by.

Taos is a small town. It's very scenic but there weren't a lot of options to eat out and it was difficult to navigate with my phone's reception going in and out.

Summer concert outside in the mountains can't be beat

Huge crowd nicely controlled. Everything flowed.

Loved the outdoor venue, food trucks, and being under the stars, but beer lines were ridiculous and the Porta Potties were atrocious - one almost fell over with me in it.

Venue was well organized and super easy to get in and out of.

I have been to Taos before therefore I knew what to expect. It is a beautiful town that always exceeds my expectations.

It was nice to do some exploring in Taos however it seems to be a town for outdoor activities which I do not have a lot of experience with.

Days Inn hotel was nasty. Too long of wait times to dine. After the concert everyplace in town was overcrowded

I'm too old for outdoor concerts where people would rather party than listen to the music :(

Location, traffic

I saw sights that I hadn't seen since I was much younger. The weather was perfect.

Great overall experience!

The concert was wonderful and Taos is a fantastic town to host a show like that!

I am rating Taos a 4 because as soon as we got into town, we noticed an event parking sign near the Taos county office that lead us to a dead end. We've never been to Kit Carson Park so we hadn't realized how far we were. Luckily we had smart phones to pull up a map. As for the concert, it was great, however, it was short.

Entry and exit into the park was a breeze and I attend a lot of concerts at different venues, actual concert venues. The vendors and placement of vendors throughout the park was ideal

Everything went smooth!

The concert was my main reason for visiting. I enjoyed the food and shopping at a variety of vendors.

Alabama shakes were amazing! Sound was well executed throughout the venue. In regards to the venue itself, I found it a bit all over the place and thought the layout could have been better executed.

I'm from Albuquerque and haven't spent a lot of time in Taos. It's a great town with lots to do. Both indoor and outdoor.

Very gorgeous part of the state. Concert was a bonus!

The concert was great! I wish Taos had Uber or a cab service or something for the evening. That's the only reason the visit isn't all the way to exceeded expectations.

hotel rates were very high - even for a high demand weekend, also lines were VERY long at the venue, and not having cider or wine available was a bummer

Parking was a disaster!
I had not been to Taos in a long time! It was as great as I remembered! Nice people, great food, great art!

Everything was great! No issues at all

The hotel I stayed at was amazing, every store I went into everyone was SO friendly. The concert was amazing the setup was smooth and the food was amazing! I didn't want to leave!

It is a beautiful place and the show was well organized. Just wish more hotel availability so we could have stayed the night.

The concert energy was incredible. Alabama Shakes exceeded my expectations. Shop owners were friendly and helpful. Waitstaff was also friendly and the food was delicious.

Was misinformed about cost of hotel stay by hotel staff, service at diner extremely slow although food was great

Service in most places slow, and at a couple of places not at all friendly. Hotel El Monte Sagrado was excellent, and Parcht and Taos Cafe were great.

The music was amazing, but Taos people were rude, they kept smoking pot at the venue even though there were kids present and kept pushing others. Security did nothing about it

It seemed as though the Village of Taos was not quite prepared for such a large turn out. The crowd was handled well though and entry into the venue was quick and easy.

I went to Mumford and Sons a few years ago and the concert experience was sub par. The lines were too long and the venue did not do a good job of handling alcohol purchases. This time around, all of those issues were fixed. It was a great experience.

We love staying Taos from time to time and the concert gave us a great opportunity to do that again. The concert was great, but, unfortunately, we missed some of the concert experience due to long lines and wait times for food and beer.

Everything was perfect!

The El Camino Lodge was a dump! Never would stay there again. Power/transformer was out when we got to Michaels kitchen (not their fault) but made our morning less special.

The music was incredible with suburb sound quality; the event was organized and the influx of people was handled remarkably well by the city. Traffic and parking were of little to no issue.

I enjoy live music; the acoustics were great.

I wanted/needed more specific info regarding the venue. Sad to see so many closed shops & restaurants. Places closed @ 10pm on a Saturday... WOW

Local businesses, particularly restaurants, seemed ill-prepared to handle the larger crowds for the concert.

I found a great camp site in the taps ski valley, had an amazing time at the concert and a great hike the next day. All around sweet weekend!

Venue too flat, couldn't see. Music & sound were great. Natural beauty of area made the total visit fantastic.

Taos is beautiful.

The crowd at the concert was pleasant - No pushing or shoving. Everyone was peaceful.
nice job handling the crowd. found parking and got out after with minimum fuss

I thought most everything went very well! The concert was great!

Glad that there was free event parking. Needed better traffic control.

It was an awesome concert and Taos is always great. A couple of suggestions: our group biked from our campsite to the show, but were disappointed to find no bike parking near the entrance. Would have been nice to promote biking and to have a bike rack at the entrance! Also, the beer and food lines were super long.

The concert was amazing and enjoyed my very first visit to Taos.

Venue was great. Intimate show. Very organized with the food truck lay out, beer tents and facilities were clean. The handling of traffic was great. Didn’t take too much time to leave the area. Always wanted to visit Taos. Gave me a reason to come back at a later date.

Not many places were open late on a Sunday--ie 830pm

Taos is beautiful, and I love visiting. (I live in NM but 5 hours away). The concert was great, but I wished they told a few more stories/talked and connected with the audience more.

Lovely town!

Friendly atmosphere and beautiful people

Love The Alabama Shakes and love Taos. We visit here annually and love the area. Having the opportunity to see such a talent in a beautiful spot is a lifetime event.

we were not allow to bring in folding chairs and umbrellas

Had the best time

Beautiful town, venue, and organization of the event.

I love Taos. There is no place else like it. Beautiful venue. Wonderful people.

Great venue and Taos hospitality is wonderful

Taos is very beautiful and the people are friendly. It's completely affordable and fun to visit.

No lines! Great music! Fun people!

So easy to park, awesome vendors on site and EXCELLENT music. No traffic. So easy and wonderful!

The event was well staffed and ran really smoothly, and the bands also were excellent. The only reason I didn't give it a five is that there were so many overly drunk people stumbling, tripping, falling into us. It happened the whole show. That, to me, means either the alcohol booths were not setting appropriate drink limits, that the check points did not catch the number of flasks that came in, or that security was not well staffed enough.

I attended the Mumford & Sons show in 2013, which was also fantastic. But the parking was much easier this time, traffic flow was better, and getting into Kit Carson park was faster. Way to up the game, Taos!

Plenty of parking and easy to walk out of concert with police at crosswalk.

Alabama Shakes were great, Dawes was a downer. Didn't really spend time in Taos just saw the concert

I bought tickets in February. I was shocked to get an email a few days before the concert saying that 8000 tickets were sold. Should have stated number of tickets being sold from the get go.

Great venue, beer lines were a bit too long and hotels all booked was the only downside
The music was great, even the opening band. Taos was fun tho very crowded and restaurants could not handle to overload.

I live in Pojoaque and have been to Taos numerous times. I appreciated that the police seemingly wisely chose not to enforce parking violations other than those that presented a danger to the community (fire lanes, turn lanes, etc.)

great venue and staff. loved the bands. but the sound from the speakers left a lot to be desired in my opinion. missing low range tones. sound level was too high as well. not sure if the tech was trying to compensate for the lack of base tones, but it flooded out the high tones. we plan to return for future shows, and I have high hopes that you all will work to make the audio quality superb in the future!!

I thought the concert venue was well managed and all aspects of the patron experience went smoothly: entry into the park, drink wrist bands, park layout, sound quality and mix, exiting the park (closing down the main road was a great idea) etc. The only comment I would make is that more food trucks would have been nice. Lines for food and beer were longer than I had hoped they would be. That said, the concert exceeded my expectations.

I love concerts in Taos! The whole town is so prepared and welcoming to the crowd. Kit Carson Park is the perfect venue. Plenty of food and beer vendors. Efficient entrance and exit through the gates. Simply perfect!

Lines were too long at concessions. Low back chairs should be allowed. Information should have been provided in advance regarding parking.

Very organized Venue was clean food was good people were sweet.

Food vendors, beer, merch vendor could have been organized a bit better at the park. Restaurants should have been open after concert

restaurants would not let’s us take our little dog in and neither could we take her to concert. What's up with that?!!!

COULD NOT BRING A CHAIR TO SIT ON ... EVEN IN THE BACK

The band was excellent live & the people watching was great; had expected longer lines or more inconvenience but it was all super smooth!

Because I enjoyed it

I tried to book a room in Taos for the night before and/or after the concert, but everything was booked. If we could have booked a room, we would have stayed the weekend and participated in the up and over race and might have purchased tickets to another concert.

Very well organized

fantastic show

Concert was a bit short.

The stage and sound equipment were much more professional than I was expecting. It was also high enough that I had no trouble seeing the performance. The city did a great job with crowd and traffic control.

Taos was amazing, great food, beautiful scenery! Concert lines for food, beverage, restrooms were way too long.

Great venue for the Suze if the audience. The park was spacious and Taos is charming . I liked the good truck options !!!

We had a great time

The concert was awesome and being outside while at a concert in Taos was awesome! Taos is a beautiful place- how could the experience not be awesome.

Hailing from Santa Fe, I have been to Taos many times; it is a pleasant city. This trip showed minor (beneficial) changes, in my opinion, to the city and its amenities. It did not exceed my expectations, per se, but rather the city's changes
reflected efforts expressed by the citizenry and leadership of Taos to make it more hospitable and attractive to non-residents.

Always good to visit Taos. Too crowded and too loud. Also, would have preferred to have lawn chairs. Both bands were great (wished Dawes would have played longer). Glad I went.

Taos is beautiful and has such a cool vibe, the lines for beer were too long before the concert, and I don't think the blankets should be allowed

Show was awesome and always love Taos

Stage/lighting/sound were very good. Town/venue didn't seem ready to accommodate the crowd: not enough trash/recycling cans or port-a-potties. Blocking Paseo after the show and having police direct traffic was great idea. Telluride Bluegrass is an excellent event to emulate if Taos plans to embark on more concerts like this that can overwhelm such a small town.

The easy, orderly walk and entrance to the concert was great! We pulled into $10. parking about a half mile before. The people guiding the crowd were friendly and informative about the short wait.

While Alabama Shakes is a great band, I did not feel they were good showmen. I would have liked a little interaction with the audience.

Too many people. When I purchased my tickets for 5 of us on the day the tickets went on sale. I was assuming that it would be like solar fest. Able to bring our chairs and be comfortable. I am 56, I am active but sitting on the ground is not my idea of what a $60 ticket should be for. Michaels Restaurant seem to not be ready for 8000 people to converge on Taos. They were out of everything and the service was very slow. Had I known that there would be 8000 people there I NEVER would have bought tickets for my family of 5.

I love taking trips to Taos and the concert was excellent.

Concert went smoothly and was fun. Surprised by how well the parking situation went. And I always enjoy my trips up to Taos.

Honestly I thought it would be a mad house, and it was very well organized.

Excellent time in Taos. The people were very friendly and we were not harassed by the cops for parking or anything. Had a great time.

Lodge was outdated

Sound and food trucks at the concert were great

cool place and cool attendees. good music

I had a great time. You handled the crowd well which was my main concern...and it didn't rain!

There were smokers at the show.

Far too crowded. Not enough beer tents with enough people working them. Outrageous lines.

I was willing to overlook this, until when crossing the street at a crosswalk to get back to our bikes, a local police office made a comment about "stupid white people". This is inexcusable. The Taos police department will be hearing about it and so will the press. Wish I knew the officer's name

The venue was too crowded and the lines quite long. Parking was a hassle. Also, the headlining band was not as good as the hype. But of course, Taos is amazing on its own, so the trip wasn't just about the concert.
Everything was as expected, and it was great. Host more events like this in Taos!

Wonderful time all around, and no rain!!!

Much better handling than Mumford!

No hotel rooms available for the weekend and the line to get into the concert was ridiculous leading up to security opening the gates.

Venue poorly lighted after act and water availability poor. Beer lines ridiculous.

Darn fun event!

Why did everything close down at 11pm right after the concert? That seemed short sighted for having so many people willing to support local businesses right after the show.

I had a great time

Everything was fairly organized related to the concert and traffic flow. Law enforcement and security were firm but cool. Locals seemed not to be too bothered and people were friendly.

The organizers may have allowed too many people to attend the concert. It was quite crowded within the park grounds.

I only live 1.5 hours away from Taos, and I've visited there many times, but I've never spent the night in Taos. It was a great experience. The town did a fabulous job with traffic control and the number of security people around. It was very civil and calm and nice. Good job.

Easy to get into park. Nice weather. Happy people

Was what I expected

The stage height is too low, you can not see the performers since everyone stands up!! Another suggestion is what they do up in Denver at Fiddler’s Green - they have two large video screens set up on either side of the stage - works great!

Love the Shakes, love the venue, but a few pushy 'burqueños took some of the glow off.

I used to go to the solar fest every year. This show was very well organized and it was nice to be able to have beer outside of a beer garden

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Exceptionally well organized and operated

Great music and amenities

Great times and seemed well organized

Well executed concert! Crowd was happy and services was friendly. We stayed near the Plaza and walked to everything so no traffic to deal with. Loved how excited everyone was about being in Taos for the weekend.

Field sloped backwards, hard to see if your short

Alabama Shakes show very canned. Very impersonal and music selection slower than slow

Concert was organized. There was many food and beer options. Taos is a friendly town. Needed more vendors to sell water.

Taos was prepared for this concert with parking areas clearly identified. There were adequate personnel to manage concert access, and beer service was organized and efficient.
I knew Alabama Shakes was going to be good, but I didn't expect them to be perfect. Hotels in Taos seem to embrace broken-down crappiness, assuming visitors consider it charming. We certainly paid a lot for a sub-par room with a non-working air conditioner, a hot tub that was broken down, and a guy with his dick hanging out in the court yard.

Everything was great. I really wasn't sure what to expect.

Electronic tickets were surprisingly easy to use and get in with. The people attending the concert were nice, the bands were really amazing. Great production! I would come back. Thanks to all the volunteers!

very organized, great venue

Loved it but there were no gluten free alcohol options at the venue

The concert was well organized and the people of Taos were very helpful and friendly

LOVE northern NM

Great event, wonderful venue, well organized. Only downside was some loud/unruly folks near us not engaged with the music.

It had been a little while since I have had the opportunity to explore Taos and see a concert at Kit Carson park - it was wonderful!

I love Taos and I love Alabama shakes. The combo was great

Concert event felt safe, even with tons of people, beautiful sunset at the awesome venue Kit Carson Park. Stage and lighting impressive. Parking for event well marked and easy for out of towners.

The town seemed like it wasn't quite ready for the high volume of traffic and people that the concert brought in. Otherwise everything went very smoothly and high volumes of crowds should be expected regardless.

I think the stage should be about 3-4 ft. higher. I was in the middle and about 40 feet from the stage and none of us could hardly see the band. I also did not like all the blankets, people were hoarding areas and would get upset if you tried to get through.

it was a great time!

+'s = farmers market, getting in/out of the venue

-'s = street folks on the plaza, litter, traffic (no one will let you turn left!)

i didn't expect the show to be so packed, it was difficult to move around

Because I enjoyed it.

Perfect setting

Amazing music

Great crowd

Beautiful weather

Lots of cool stuff to do before and after

Ideal time of year for a visit

I wasn't sure how Taos could handle 8,000 people, but it turned out great!!

We had a great time. We waited in line most of the day in the shade. We ended up being in the front row for the show. The weather was great, the food was great, and the show was even better.
Not enough portable potties. It was disgusting to have to use them. Thank god I only had to use them once. But once was enough.

I think there should have been a designated smoking area. It was kind of funny, ok maybe not really but yeah sort of watching people step on feet thinking they were putting out their cigs and cigars.

Oh and the poor park afterwards. Gazillions of plastic cups and empty food dishes and plastic ware all over the grass. Perhaps there was a Roomba that could assure all that plastic got sorted and recycled?

Had a great time

It was all as great as I expected. Nice dinner easy parking good Taos vibe and fun concert

was great

The concert was great, and very well run. I didn't spend any time in the town other than at the concert.

I had a good time, I love New Mexico, I live in Santa Fe also not my 1st concert in Taos

Loved my Airbnb, loved the concert - well/organized, by the way. Great food trucks. You ordered great weather too.

The town handled the big crowd really well! It was very smooth considering so many people.

It was very well organized. Everything from parking to standing in line was easy. Taos did a great job with the crowd. Loved all the vendors on site.

good concert, music was good, hearing the lyrics were really good. Taos did a great job getting us in and out of the road and center of town. Hotel was expensive but good quality.

Too many people in one venue. Could not see the stage.

Crowd control was easy; parking was easier than expected; the food was great; the music was terrific. My only suggestion would be to make it easier to see the stage when standing in a big crowd.

Well organized for the amount of people.

Perfect evening.

I have bragged to all my friends how well organized it was.

The entrance line was long and hot

Lines to get in were still too long. I was hoping that would be remedied after the Mumford and sons show.

Stayed within walking distance of venue so no vehicle needed once we checked on. Two great restaurants nearby.

The concert was good. Didn't like standing the whole time. Didn't like people pushing through to get around everyone there.

I visit Taos regularly as I only live in Santa Fe.

The concert met our expectations and our visits to Taos almost always exceed our expectations because we have so many old friends there.

Show was great. Stage and sound were a bit week but I love raps for a couple days

Most bars and restraints within walking distance were closed or at capacity after the concert
The organized way in which safety officers assisted in the departure of the concert was brilliant.

hotel experience was horrible

Wish the concert had been longer.

I bought tickets early with the understanding chairs were appropriate. 70 year olds should NOT have to sit on grass. VERY disappointed & will not attend events as poorly represented as this.

I fully enjoyed my visit.

I thought it would be crowded and lots of traffic and raining.... None of that happened and it was very pleasant and well organized to reduce the wait times to get in and out!

I was skeptical that Taos could handle the influx of visitors and accommodate with parking, security, crowd management, food vendors etc. But was pleasantly surprised at the overall organization and pleased with my concert experience.

Amazing experience

Live in Santa Fe. Visited Taos may times. This trip was just to see band.

It would have been a 5 if we'd been able to take chairs into the venue and get a hotel room in Taos.

Stage too low, my wife could not see at all and she is 5’6’. No big screens, too crowded, felt like it was over-sold

it was an enjoyable experience

I love Taos man. I loooove Taos hahahaha! Wow.

City is fun to visit, show was amazing. Great venue.

Parking and traffic were challenging

Concert grounds too crowded with blankets, decreased mobility. Need designated walk paths and beer vendor lines too long

I thought the concert would be wonderful and I thought it would be wonderful to stay in Taos. My expectations were high and they were met.

Traffic in Taos is a nightmare when there's no special event. Other than major gridlock, it was fine.

I was concerned about the weather mainly, but it didn't rain! walking in to Kit Carson Park I felt a great vibe all around. everyone did a great job at managing the event! thanks!

All went smoothly - parking was easier than we expected.

We had a wonderful family visit! We did love the scene at Kit Carson Park. The line for tshirts pretty long. I waited for 45 minutes. There was only 1 person manning the merchandise tent. Usually at a concert this large, there would be 4-5 people at each of the merchandising tents.

the town, environment, and people were nothing but more than amazing

I will not attend any concerts in Kit Carson Park. Not fun with 8000 obnoxious drunks

Wanted to bring lawn chair. Grassy area was too flat to have a good view of the stage. Also, people were too intoxicated which made it a worrisome event.

The event was very organized.
It was fantastic!! I had a lovely dinner I'm Taos beforehand and it's always a pleasure to visit the town. The concert was well organized and no one was too pushy or anything. And of course the music was absolutely fantastic.

Taos is a beautiful city. An elderly gentleman gave us a ride from our parking to the concert. Alabama Shakes gave an excellent performance.

Great experience not my favorite band.

live in the area

The Alabama Shakes were excellent. I am concerned that the tickets were oversold.

the band was awesome! no lines getting in.

Needed to go later

it was far too crowded.

I had fun and felt safe.

Really well organized when compared to Mumford concert. Taos is learning through experience.

It was very hard on our senior group to stand for such a long time and I could not see over the crowd, You need some large projection screens to be able to see the performers.

Hotels all full

We could not see anyone on the stage. Should have had close circuit screens.

No chair rule.

Venue needs strategic, human made seating. Couldn't see the performance.

? Stayed with friends which I was not expecting to and had a great time.

Very organized getting parked, into the park, and back on the road at the end of the night; people working there and attending the concert were really nice, respectful, easygoing.

Alabama Shakes was the best concert I've been to. Their musicality is beyond comparison.

It would have been nice to stay in taos but there were no rooms available

There should be seating for 9" chairs in a back section. It was difficult to stand that long. Seems like you could provide some section with seating. Just show you know ... On visit to Taos section NA is not accepting it as an answer, so I am putting in a number , but I live here and would like to choose NA

Great concert that ran smoothly. Beautiful weather.

Not as advertised. No wine, only beer. Celiac so can't drink beer. People were very rude pushing you around to weave their way through the crowd. Too many folks were pretty ripped by the time concert began, and wouldn't shut up the whole time. Difficult to enjoy. Alabama Shakes was excellent!

The beer and porto potty lines were way too long. It takes away from the concert experience because you are waiting the whole time!!
Alabama Shakes is an amazing band.

Concert was short and lines were long

Lovely

Concert was great!

love Taos

It was a little too many people, also the beer lines were really long, the concert ended quickly with no encore.

Not enough vendors for food and drink

Long lines for food and beer

Everything was very well organized, from the bag checkers to the ticket takers to the bathrooms. Long lines at the beer tents, but no big deal.

Very organized. Pushy crowd when music started. Lots of cigarette smokers.

Liked fact roads nor closed

It was difficult to find seats in the park and there was little organization on the lawn which made moving around difficult. It was also difficult to see the stage due to the flat plane of the lawn. Sound was good. Felt like we stood in line the entire time. Lines were very long, and there were many vendors who didn't accept cash. An ATM would have been helpful. Lines moving into the park moved quickly! Lines for food were too long, (we waited 1/2 hour to order food). Also, there were no local vendors for meals, (only beer and ice cream). Don't think I would spend $60 per ticket again to see a show at the park unless it was my absolute favorite band.

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Given the size of the crowd, I thought it felt very mellow, well-organized, and the music was great.

It seemed well organized and a beautiful night

Long lines for beer; otherwise well run operation overall.

everything was a positive experience, had a lot of fun

It was frustrating to have to drive to Eagle Nest after the show because all the hotel rooms in Taos were booked. Near sit camping would've been nice.

It was exactly what I expected. It was a good time but didn't exceed expectations.

We loved the concert but was disappointed in the food around town.

Very well run concert and Taos is a great town to eat and see wonderful sites. People are friendly.

Great show and venue. Loved the opener. Perfect length show.

Main reason for being dissatisfied has to do with general admission approach to the concert. We prefer to have assigned seating at a sold out concert venue where one doesn't have to arrive so early to stake out a spot close enough to see the performance. I did hear that overall experience related to park entry was better this year as compared to Mumford and sons last year. Beautiful weather and easy going crowd were two positive things.

Beautiful night. Well run show and venue.

The venue was beautiful, Taps is always a treat
Had no real expectations of what to expect

I knew taos and what to expect therefore expectations met.

Had to stay in Eagles Nest. Too far. No place to go after concert that wasn't a 1.5 hour wait. Taos Inn even had last call as we arrived. 10:00 pm? Really?

Less traffic then I expected.

I always enjoy Taos, also in the summer.

Very well organized this year!

We've been to Taos before so we know what to expect, generally. And we always have s good time when we're there.

expected the show to be amazing - it was
expected the venue to be chaotic - it wasn't

It was great. But allow people people to bring their own beer if you're only going to have three spots to buy beer for 8k people.

Our stay @ Indian Hills Inn was HORRIBLE!!! Filthy, dirty, nasty...

NM has a wide variety of good beer and to limit it to Taos Mesa Brewing--one of our worst breweries--was a disservice to concert goers

The venue seemed to be organized very well. The lines were short, the environment was pleasant. Everyone who interacted with us was very friendly and helpful. The streets surrounding the venue were closed to motorized traffic right after the concert so that 8,000 could all stream out at the same time and walk to our cars. Good job, Taos!!

Too short to see, music a little "off"

The concert was terrific - music was great and the event was well managed. The town of Taos looked great and was lively with lots of fun places to eat and things to do.

I had attended the Mumford and Sons and there were a lot of improvements made in the organization for such a large concert. We enjoyed our time in Taos (restaurants, music, shops.

I prefer to have a blocked off beer tent area just like when we went to Mumford and Sons or Solar Fest. I also was not real happy with the Kachina. It seems to be pretty run down, but still charging more than many hotels in the area. We do not plan to stay there again. However, we love visiting Taos and can't wait for the next concert!

Concert was too short. AS played for one hour with a short set after. Loved seeing Dawes. Liked that everything ran on time.

The organization was much improved since Mumford and Sons.

Easy access, excellent music. (Lines for food, too long.)

I rated the concert a 4 - Alabama Shakes rocked it. But since the grass area is level - it would be a great idea of you could add large screens on each side of the stage so that people near the back can see the performers. Other than that, it was great!

I think that the added Galatic show at TMB eased traffic woes on Saturday. It gave people a reason to go to Taos a day early. I expected a traffic jam.
The best organized event I’ve every been to at Kit Carson park.

Ive lived here for 13 years and never attended a concert at the park. Brought my grandsons and we LOVED IT! We LOVE Alabama Shakes and look forward to more concerts.

Not like Telluride Bluegrass better organization. We can be like that

Weather cooperated, crowds were manageable, event seemed well organized, parking worked, food trucks were great.

The headliner was great, the opening act was mediocre. I live in Taos; not much more to say about Taos

Musical performance was what I expected from the performers.

I live in the area

The concert was great but all the emails I received said there would be beer, wine, and cider and there was only beer. It didn't ruin the night but it did seem a little sloppy and I know the out-of-towners really caught on to it.

Concert area needed more "Taos" atmosphere - lights in trees, etc. like solar festival decorations.

Alabama Shakes and Dawes were excellent. However, at age 70, after the tickets were purchased the email came out no chairs allowed. We can't stand for 4-5hours. I feel like Taos oversold the space and this was negligent of those of us who already had tickets but needed chair seating

I live next to the park, I heard the sound checks in the afternoon, and Brittany Howard's voice was exquisite as I have heard on recordings. During the concert I felt the sound was not balanced the same and I could not hear her voice clearly over all the instruments. Some friends sat on my deck during the concert while I was in the park. When I returned they said they could barely hear her voice, so I know the soundcheck and concert sound was not the same. I did enjoy myself and was also a bit disappointed

Concert was awesome, well attended and well organized. Good security & police presence. Good food & beverage vendors. I said N/A for visit to Taos because I live here.

Great, safe, easy event. No long lines, pleasant crowd, great weather, great band.

Fun and well organized

Concert was beautifully organized - lines not too bad, traffic fine, A/V good too. I live in Taos so I wanted to answer N/A to "visit to Taos" but survey would not allow it.

Everything seemed very well organized, very smooth.

I live in Taos, it wasn't a visit.

Traffic. Need a bypass and need more parking. Need a shuttle bus.

Crowd was very well controlled. Venue and parking was adequate. We felt safe in the park...

It was the most organized event I have ever been to in Taos. And I have lived here 35 years. The best..welll organized... well staffed. Nice to be able to have a beverage at your seated spot. I do believe that every vendor should be able to sell water.plus the free water. and people should be able to take in a couple of bottles of water too the more water the better

Concert was amazing, but I felt the tickets were a bit overpriced

Stage too low for flat terrain

As a consumer you Town needs to have a little more buy in from your businesses. i think that after you let out over 4,000 people before 10:30 you need more then 5 places open food establiments need to open and willing to serve that swarm of
people. it's only one night and could greatly impact businesses in the future. I think that there was a lack in that phase of planning not once but twice. Mumford and suns and for Alabama Shakes

Alabama Shakes was great. The band Dawes was boring and not concert worthy.

Wasn't too crowded despite the reported numbers. Entrance through the gate was easy, line moved swiftly. Ability to get close to stage was helpful.

Way too crowded. Dangerous after dark. LONG lines for everything.

I live in Taos.

concert was a little short. If you have a noise curfew then start it a little earlier and let the bands play longer.

Great concert. I didn't visit Taos--I live here.

Glad you asked. I was so excited about getting to see and hear the Alabama Shakes. Then I was very upset that I bought my ticket before it was announced "no chairs". Would never have spent the hard earned $$ if I had known. And then to be crowded in with 7999 people. Couldn't see the stage at all. Felt like I had been ripped off and was aching from standing the whole night. I was afraid to even have a beer because I would never find my friend or my place again. And use a port a potty at night? Are you kidding? I will never go to another concert like this, not even for such a great band. So disappointing after having been to such wonderful Solar Fests in the past. In my opinion, this is is no "music destination" to be proud of. I will drive south to a casino where I have a seat and actually see the band I paid to see. You asked.

I live here so I already know what to expect, but the concert was smoothly run and wonderful.

It was great, but didn't exceed expectations

not familiar with the bands, just came for the event, so didn't really thrill to the music

I was disappointed in Alabama Shakes .....but I really liked Dawes

The Bands were great. Sound & stage were great. The event was very well organized and Kit Carson Park was a fun, comfortable venue. I didn't know what to expect with such a huge crowd expected, but it was a terrific experience.

Loved the music; I live in Taos, so the expectations question makes no sense to me.

Concert was organized

Concert organization and preparation was excellent, but people climbing over us was annoying and distracting as were people talking loudly during concert.

Perhaps setting up some aisles for coming and going could improve on that.

Everything ran so smoothly. Easy access entry, no lines. Both groups started "on time" and the sound was excellent. Good thing it didn't rain.

ive lived here for 4 years and work at a hospital. to get out and enjoy Great music with alot of friends Rocked !

I live here

it was fun, A.S. could have played longer

The show was very well organized, good food. I live in Taos but the slider doesn't let me put N/A...
SO much better than the Mumford concert. Great sound. Good crowd control, decent beer access, but good beer - and happy it was local beer. Great opening band. All around well done

LOVED having a concert at Kit Carson Park. Perfect place for a concert.

I was a Taos resident for 12 years and just moved to Denver a month ago. I came back to Taos just for the concert. So it was not a vacation or "travel experience" for me.

It went very smooth. Glad for all the beer tents.

Good crowd and well organized

The concert was fantastic and we would love to see more concerts come to Taos (possibly even several times each summer?!)! We frequently travel to other cities to see bands playing that we love, and it looked like the concert brought in many people from out of town. Taos is a great place and more events such as this one would increase Taos's exposure to people who have never visited Taos before. I LOVED the food trucks, Taos Mesa beer stands, and Taos Cow. It was great to see local businesses with their beverages and food for sale - I didn't know beforehand there would be SO many options. I would recommend having more beverage stands in the future, as well as free water (because I was the DD). Also, more food options, there are many food trucks in the ABQ metro area, to reduce the lines at the food trucks.

Concert was great, but too short for the high ticket price. Lines at the beer tents were ridiculous. I never got a single beer during the show because the lines were so huge.

The headlining act's set seemed very short.

The event was well organized and the music was good.

Local

Fun

Seemed well organized. Good vibes. Great music

Much more organized than Mumford last year. I would STRONGLY encourage a public transit option as parking is very limited near the Plaza and Kit Carson Park, and a shuttle could help with the heavy foot traffic on Paseo as well....

The show was amazing, and being a lifelong resident of Taos, this magical place was the BEST to host the event!

My only complaint was that there was not enough accessible water. Other than that, everyone who was part of the staff was really nice and I felt like the show was well laid out and fun.

Great mellow festival environment, good food vendors, just a wonderful vibe. Ran smoothly

Food lines were little long however food choices were great an vendors seemed organized. Could use more food vendors next time

great performance. nice venue. some issues with facilities

All restaurants were overwhelmed by the amount of people.

The whole event was well coordinated. The line to get in was minimal. We didn't have rain!! SUCCESSFUL

Love Taos

I'm wishing there were a way to ban cigarette smoking on the field - despite it being outdoors, with such close quarters, the smokers were unbearable.
I expected the concert to be somewhat short and full of drunk people. I always enjoy visiting Taos.

I really loved the experience and Taos

It was a lot of fun, and the music and food were great! It would have been nice if there were additional screens showing the musicians as they played. Unless you wanted to be in the crush of people in front, it was difficult to see the performers.

Very expensive parking fees... Concert and organization was great

Seating needs to be reconsidered. Too many drunks.

Ease of entry into venue; friendliness of "security"; great food booths in the park (though you needed more); lines for food and beer went way too slowly and were way too long

Concert was fantastic but both beer and wine were advertised and only beer served. Long lines for food and beer. Need more food and beer vendors. Concert GREAT!

It was a great experience and impressed with how the crowd was handled but could have had a few more food and drink vendors and amenities

It all met my expectations.

It was about what I thought I would see. Bigger than expected but not too big.

The only negatives regarding the concert were the single entrance line (why not another one from the north so that those of us who parked north of the park don't have to walk way down Kit Carson to get to the end of the single line?) and the porta-potties, which were awful early in the evening. I travel to Taos fairly often and it is always great.

Had a blast doing all the activities

great venue and always love the atmosphere

Well organized, lots of food and drink stands. Taos is beautiful.

Kit Carson park was a good venue, access was relatively easy, dining and lodging were no problem. I was expecting worse problems with traffic congestion, but thought everything was handled well.

We always enjoy Taos but the concert was terribly disappointing. We are older folks and not being allowed to bring chairs made for a untenable situation. I was helped off the ground and assisted several others to their feet. People our age can afford tickets and tend to benefit the city's economy as a whole. Forcing us to the ground or stand for hours is ridiculous unless you just don't want us back. I, along with many others I spoke with after the show felt the same way. We won't be back! Good luck with your bottom line after alienating your most benevolent customers.

There were too many people for the venue. Food and beer tents had very long lines, I waited 30 minutes for a drink. People were smoking weed and there was not enough security. We went to look for somewhere to eat and it seemed like the city shut down very early. We went to into a "cantina" and all of a sudden there was a line and a cover charge. Kitchen closed in 5 minutes and it was impossible to get a drink (even water). There were no water vendors in the park. People were drunk, doing drugs and disorderly. Lines were blocking crowds of people who got there early to have a seat on the lawn. The city could have prepared the venue and the city a little better to accommodate a sold out event.

Beautiful scenery, friendly people, great food, drinks, shopping & entertainment.

Was only there for the concert, not to visit Taos specifically. Great show.

Enjoyed the concert, but parking was hard to come by.

The place where we stayed was beautiful.
Awesome time, awesome concert!

Unfamiliar with area and camp grounds much further from town than expected. Not too far though

We love Taos and had an excellent time.

Met my expectations although everything went smoother than I anticipated.

The band was outstanding! And the crowd control well done.

I haven't been to Taos in years. We loved the experience. It is a perfect midpoint to visit with our friends in Denver.

I felt that certain establishments were not very welcoming to out of towners One hotel had a sign "Welcome to Taos Tourist"

Trip was great. People were friendly rafting was awesome. Wineries and breweries were fun. Hotel was sub par.

Taos was beautiful. It was different from southern New Mexico, I liked the layout of the streets and the architecture. I didn't like the traffic too much.

There were no rooms available in Taos so we had to drive to angel fire after the concert. The venue was poorly lit, hard to navigate the grounds. Food and beer tents/trucks oddly placed throughout the venue. Difficult to see stage from some areas of the park.

Grammy winning band in a small crowd. It's hard to experience that with such a popular band. Bands like that play in stadiums with 80,000 people.

The area is so beautiful and eclectic. I wish I had more money to spend. Everything is expensive and I want to do all of it!

It was a fantastic trip with a great concert

Good overall. Wish the concert was a little longer. Was chastised by local troglodyte for "damaging gravel" by driving on it. Overall a good experience. I'd love to come back.

I was worried since it was in a park that it would be muddy, hard to hear, etc. The sound system was perfect! Better than any outdoor venue I've been to. Worried about parking...signs directed me the whole way to free parking (unheard of!) Great experience and great people who worked the event to get us in.

Everything was really great, easy to get around and find parking, etc.

Camping was limited and the campsite closest to town was an antground not a campground. However, the people, the music, and the food and service at the many fine restaurants and pubs were excellent. Taos Mesa (downtown) was the pinnacle of our dining experience while there. The other location at the Gorge was a fly torture trap. The show and venue were sparkling and the infrastructure was well suited to the event. We need more and better camping options along the river and closer to Taos. Otherwise why not just eat and stay closer to the camping? Espanola, Santa Fe, etc.

horrible breakfasts, Michaels power out the first day and too crowded the next, Ricky's and el Taoseno were not good coffee especially

Loved the food trucks: we go to a lot of concerts, food is always over priced stadium food. The food trucks were a great treat!

the concert was amazing.. the setting was great and everyone was great in town

I felt so at home and comfortable in Taos. It has a warm and friendly vibe. I stayed at the Sagebrush Inn which was a perfect setting for me and my dog. The concert was wonderful, the weather was perfect, the venue was beautiful. The crowd was friendly. It really didn't feel like 8000 people were there. Kudos to Taos, AMP concerts, Dawes and Alabama Shakes.
Had a great time, good food, good friends - Not great stay at the Kachina Inn

Taos is magic.

Didn't do anything in Taos really. I've visited before though since I live nearby. Nice town.

Concert was alright. A few songs were really incredible but so much of it just seemed trite and generic. Especially after the band started with two of the best songs of the night, made a lot of the rest of the concert a let down.

I enjoyed myself, and it did not rain!

The hotel I stayed at was outdated and the workers were unfriendly but everything else was perfect.

Great people, beautiful weather, cute town

The concert was great and well put together. People were well behaved and I had a blast! I used to live in Taos and enjoy spending time there

The concert venue was awesome and the Alabama Shakes were INCREDIBLE!!!

I love Taos! I love the town, the people, the culture, the food, everything. The concert went on without a hitch and I would come back for any and all concerts!

Was more fun then expected

It was a great events well done and well organized very friendly very neighbourly, The sound was great people were nice we were treated well everywhere we went do it again soon

The crowd I was expecting was well controlled and not a hassle.

I loved the ski valley area

We were incredibly impressed with the way the venue was able to handle that many attendees. Usually a concert of that size in a smaller town/venue would result in outrageous lines for entry, bathrooms, beer, and food. We encountered none of those things. Taos was lovely! Great food at the Treehouse bar, great beer at Taos Mesa Brewing, lots of fun.

Everything we did was fun. The people and places were great.

Very well organized, great venue, great town!

I didn't now what to expect but the concert was very well organized and food was great. Taos was nice - could probably have spent another day or two exploring.

Was fun well organized despite crowd. Wonderful energy

We visit Taos often so we pretty much know what to expect and we've not been disappointed yet!

The event was very well coordinated and we were kept very well informed about the concert in the days prior to the show

The show was fantastic, the event extremely well organized, and the crowd was a blast.

both experiences were good. Concert a bit big for my liking

Amazing show! Great crowd, perfect weather, awesome sound. This was my first time in Taos and it was a beautiful place and I will be visiting again soon.

concert was great but didn't get to stay in Taos - next time I promise
Everything was as I hoped

The concert was fantastic! And I just love everything about Taos, the people, the food, the music, the art scene.... I could go on and on.

The event went smoothly. Traffic, parking, entrance and exit to the event, crowd control, venue, music, weather, hotel, shopping, and eating ALL exceeded my expectations.

I love Alabama Shakes and Britney Howard oh and Taos

Casa Gallina! Best place we've ever stayed!

All hotels were booked months prior to the concert. Kit Carson park was beautiful, but not a good venue because it was very hard to see the stage. Maybe some huge tv monitors would have made it better. Also, the lines for beer and food were outrageous at the concert.

Nothing to do with Taos or concert - I wanted to have more time but was not able to because of work and home chores.

Well organized

Shortly entry line

Accommodated many folks

We enjoy visiting Taos. We ski there in the winter and like to visit with out of town guests throughout the year.

Great people and an outstanding performance by the band.

It didn't pour down rain, and entering and exiting the concert went extremely well. The band was wonderful.

I just love taos, art, dining, surroundings been coming here for 30 years. I guess in general inspiration for my painting as well. Kksenior@gmail

There was nothing to do after the concert.

weather was great, fun to get away

We'll planned, organized, love northern New Mexico, love Alabama Shakes

The whole festival seating on the ground was a bust. By the time it got dark people were stepping all over each other. More ground was consumed by sitting on the ground versus chairs. It ended up being a stand up concert for anyone who wanted to see the band's.

Lines where long at concert for everything. Could of provided more food and wine and beer stands.

The concert went smooth and everybody was very nice in Taos

good flow into the venue, better than last time. Flow in the venue bad, crowded, lines for bathroom and beer 20 people long, not good.

No offsite parking with shuttles

Ticketing was smooth

Shakes great! Higher stage needed for viewing from back

kit carson park venue....well done...the roads and parking in taos....never done!

Everything no problem
the concert and crowds were handled excellently, the hotel was very clean and inexpensive. the crowd was polite.

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<td>Allow low chairs</td>
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<td>Kit Carson park needs more staff in EVERY area. More cashiers selling merchandise, more food vendors, more bartenders, and more restrooms. You can't have 8,000 in that venue with so few people working the concert. Also, there really needs to be some light in the park. After sunset, the park was completely dark. Having the park that dark is a safety hazard.</td>
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<td>We wish that we could have spent 1 more day so we could have visited museums and maybe even kayaked!</td>
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<td>We will be back!</td>
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<td>would like to see a jumbo screen so that I could actually see the performers.</td>
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<td>No chairs was a problem. Doors opened at 5pm and sitting on ground or standing for 5 plus hours was cruel punishment to see great concert.</td>
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<td>We love Taos and come here every year.</td>
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<td>Would've been nice to have a room in Taos; also don't sell so many tix or use an amphitheater ...</td>
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<td>The concert was incredibly well managed! The sound was so so, too much bottom end</td>
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<td>Should have been roped off area to dance in.</td>
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<td>The concert tickets (while worth it) were VERY expensive for a public park concert that only featured 2 acts. I'm from Chicago, where huge multi-day festivals are usually free. Even similar concerts in suburbs are often free. When tickets are necessary, $20 covers it.</td>
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<td>Like I said, loved The City of Taos and the concert venue. It took longer than expected to use the restroom and buy beer, but that is somewhat to be expected at a crowded venue.</td>
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<td>We love the outdoor activities the area provides, the shopping (especially the art) and a fun concert was the icing on the cake. Was expecting more from the band but all in all, a very good time!</td>
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<td>Cheaper beer!! Just kidding (kind of) everything was great I would not change a thing. Planning to come back for a concert soon.</td>
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Hope to return

More bathrooms

I thought the town did a great job with such a large event. I wish the Alabama Shakes would have played a more upbeat set, but I still love their music. Good work Taos!

Provide shuttle buses from remote parking right to gate. Have a VIP area with reserved seating.

A great time for all of us.

Can't wait to find out who will play next year! We'll be back. The only negative was long beer lines at the show.

Need better means to allow people to purchase beer. More kiosks. Or a larger dedicated beer garden area. Also have a few wine options.

Great show. I know my wife was a bit frustrated because all she could see where the lights of the stage and not the performers.

Concert was terrific!! Thank you!! 2 areas for improvement: couldn't get car out of parking lot for 30 minutes, tried to walk to have food/drink while waiting but the only business that was open was the Alley Cantina with about 60 people in line, nothing else was open (Taos could have made more money if the restaurants and wine bars had been open.)

Kit Carson park handled a huge turnout very well. More parking would be favorable.

Instead of jacking all of the room rates up ridiculously you could have some more affordable options, perhaps a deal offered with the purchase of the ticket. I did not let loose as much as I would have liked to because we had to drive to Santa Fe.

Good experience. Thanks!

I believe (your) hiring a professional company to help make decisions and improve on the next concerts/performances is money well spent.

Advise people that once the concerts starts they should pick up their blankets unless they are in the very back.

Great weather

Bring back Dawes for their own show!

Came to Mumofrd and Sons, Alabama Shakes and several Solar Fest. Barn Dance too.

Please keep bringing quality artists to Taos!

Y'all killed it! Look forward to the next one!

Better sound engineers next time

A good experience. Hope the outdoor concerts will continue.

It was nice!

The concert venue should sell wine or gluten free beer.

I would be very likely to attend another concert in Taos.

I thought the flow and overall management of the concert was well organized.

1st time to Taos - will definitely be back!
I frequently visit Taos and always enjoy it. My wife and I ran the Up and Over event at Taos Ski Valley, and our group attended the Galactic concert the night before. So if you have multiple events, that's always nice. Also, I think you have to serve wine and liquor at the concert, or at least wine. Beer alone isn't enough variety. Great weekend in Taos!

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<td>Enjoyed the music so much! Grateful for the venue to see them. Felt it was almost overbooked on people. Very crowded. People stepping on people. Beer only not favorable for people with gluten issues or wine drinkers. Nonetheless, thank you for the opportunity to see great love music!</td>
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<td>Taos was wonderful, as usual. The Taos Inn was wonderful, as usual. The only complaint I have was the standing up situation. I could not see the band at all. If more standing room only concerts are going to be at the park (which is a beautiful place), the stage needs to be higher or seating should be allowed.</td>
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<td>The behavior of some of the crowd did get tiresome. In our party two people with back problems had to sit down during the latter part of the Shakes show, and people who were looking for shortcuts in the crowd actually stepped on them (and they were carrying beer, and spilled some of it or our blankets and tarp); this happened at least a half-dozen times. Several people standing in the same area as I was joined arms to try and prevent people from cutting through the crowd, and we were cursed, or had people push against us so hard that we risked falling down. It might be good to mark paths using reflective markers.</td>
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<td>Offer shuttles to the venue(s), not only from inside the city and other close cities or towns surrounding the venue, but also to other neighbouring cities. For example, we stayed in Cedar Crest outside of Albuquerque and our friend was kind enough to drive me and my girlfriend to the concert and then back to the house we were staying at. He drove the whole way to and from Taos. We didn't get back to our house until 2:30 am. It would've been very helpful if the venue offered a shuttle service for a small fee. Maybe something to look into?</td>
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<td>Please ticket less people and more beer options and vendors.</td>
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<td>Great reason to schedule another weekend in Taos this summer</td>
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<td>I'm not representative of age of most of your crowd but I won't be back if there's no seating. I go to many music events all over the country and was excited to hear taos was beginning to have some better performers but it's not enjoyable to stand around over 3 hours.</td>
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<td>Concert was amazing, Taos was boring and offered rude locals and no nightlife. Have no desire to visit there again.</td>
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<td>Open business at night. If you are going to have visitors you sure can make business out of it. There is only about two local restaurants that you can eat after 9:00 PM. I do not want to have dinner on McDonald's after. Bars closes very early too.</td>
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<td>Sorry to the residents who seemed upset about visitors like myself and my friends who were in town for the weekend. Hope they're doing fine now and thanks for the hospitality!</td>
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<td>Please have more shows</td>
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<td>Don't grow too fast. National music talent booked for shows at your Kit Carson park is a great idea. It will bring my wife and I 400 miles from El Paso to Taos staying 2 or 3 days spending at least a couple hundred dollars. Just make sure those shows are on a weekend.</td>
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<td>Taos Mesa Brewing was a fantastic venue for the Galactic concert! We had a blast!</td>
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<td>Great everything was wonderful!  would love to go to taos again.</td>
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<td>Actually was looking to see Dawes...that's how we found out about Alabama Shakes playing in Taos.  Loved both bands....it was great.  Had never been to the Taos/Carson Forest/Angel Fire area.  Definitely want to go back now:) Beautiful area....</td>
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<td>Restroom and beer lines were long....but unfortunately that's normal at these types of events.  Great concert booking....do it again!</td>
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<td>Awesome town with lovely people</td>
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<td>Taos and the show were fantastic! My only suggestion shows would be to have taxi/uber to get around and vendor lines were way to long at the show. Otherwise I had a fantastic time! Thanks Taos!</td>
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<td>Video screens, allow chairs to be brought in. Make it enjoyable for everyone. I will not recommend this venue to anyone until changes are made. This ended up being a waste of money.</td>
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<td>Please don't sell so many tickets next year, provide more restrooms and more beer tents- lines were ridiculous!!</td>
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<td>Taos is a great place! I hope the venue continues to offer awesome shows!</td>
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The lines for food, restrooms, and beer were exceedingly long. Allowing people to lay out large blankets and occupy large tracts of space was too bad.

Some thought needs to be given to replacing some of the roadside sidewalks. Sidewalk areas immediately north of the park are so bad they should have been torn out and replaced well over a decade or more ago.

-I did not like the fact that people got there early to set up blankets and take up a significant amount MORE space than they needed for the concert. It resulted in a very inefficient use of the area in front of the stage... especially for those who like to be able to see the musicians from less than 150 yards away

-You guys gotta figure out a way to make it quicker and more efficient to buy a beer. You would make more money and concert goers would have left without that being their number one complaint. Everyone in my party was frustrated with the beer line situation.

More direction to available lodging would have been great

Would’ve been gr8 to allow lawn chairs at venue. Standing and blankets only didn’t allow for good visual of band and higher risk for injuries by people standing falling or tripping on those sitting and clocking view.

Alabama shakes is awesome!

Prohibit cigarette smoking in the park during the event!

Wonderful to easily find free public parking for our RV within walking distance to venue

I think NOT letting us bring in chairs was lame. and we loved the Super 8 Motel. and the staff. they limo-ed us to concert and back. We love Melanie-asst. manager.

Great time! AMAZING sound quality at concert- not too loud, every instrument and vocal was clean and crisp. Fun time camping along 522 and 518, went climbing as well. Wish there was some more communication about parking, although it was easy to park at the courthouse and walk to the venue.

I thought the concert was oversold with 8000. But the venue was ok and everyone fit once I got inside. I had looked forward to a smaller venue for Alabama Shakes instead of seeing them in Colorado. Crowd was very well behaved and I appreciated that so that we could all hear the music and not be trampled. Thanks. I would come again.

Great show! Maybe more beer lines, a few more food options, and cleaner toilets, but everything else was great!!

The only concern I had was the lack of security. While they were friendly, I didn't notice anyone getting pat down. My sister brought in a blanket and they didn't even make her show that there was nothing in it, which there wasn't. While high security coming into an event can be tedious and annoying to some, it shows that the venue and the town are prioritizing and putting safety first. With all the nasty things going on around the world, I would have had more peace of mind if some if not all people were pat down and all belongings were checked.

NA

I met some taoseños that were very concerned about the amount of growth the community had experienced in recent years and also was upset they didn't know the concert was happening. they were very upset at the increased cost of living and worried that foreigners and people from out of state were going to continue pushing locals out

Hope y'all do it again! We had as perfectly of a weekend getaway as I could expect. Went to Galactic at Taos Mesa brewing the night before. Could not ask for more.

Great show, awesome town!

We had a wonderful time, excellent food, friendly people and all around good time!

Again, please provide beverage options at the concert. Not everyone can or want to drink beer.
provide better public transportation, and don’t funnel traffic one direction after the concert.

Shuttle services/more ubers/taxis would be great.

Nee ding to get seats and not being able to leave the grounds prohibited us from visiting other places in town.

Taos is a beautiful town. We will visit again soon!

Is there a way to ameliorate the lengthy lines for all food & beverages?

The venue was great and I would return for another concert-- just think the city is unprepared to host that many people at one time-- even having some lunch trucks around town after 10pm would be profitable (for venders) and convenient for concert goes after the concert.

larger venue to allow chairs

Very lovely place to visit.

We had a condo at Kit Carson Park. The sound was better from our back porch than close to the stage (left side). It was a bit muffled. Also, we were told no chairs, yet people had chairs everywhere. Which makes sense. Security did not check our bags! We were stunned at what seemed to be lax security and enforcement of the rules. If no chairs for us, then no chairs for anyone who paid the same.

This was by far one of the best concerts I have ever been too. I'm so glad to hear that the concert stage will become a permanent fixture. PLEASE continue to pull bands like the Alabama Shakes and Mumford and Sons to your town. I wouldn't be able to see this amazing artists if if wasn't for you. Also, I cannot express enough how your price is perfect. As a college student, $60 a ticket is perfect. If it were any higher I honestly wouldn't be able to afford it. So thank you and please continue to pull in awesome bands at a awesome prices in an amazing town/venue!!

Overall I would say the concert was organized very well. Security knew what they were doing and they were very informative. I would attend another concert.

Wish the venue restrooms were available I hate porta potties.

We had a great time. Thank you!

Thanks!!

We think Town of Taos should be recognized and serve as model for other all towns how to handle large crowds

Firstly, we have been visiting Taos on and off for 40 years. Enjoy our times at solar fest, skiing, art, etc. We were drawn to this concert because it was the Alabama Shakes, not a full day or two festival, making the tickets affordable. Kit Carson park is a nice venue. Performances by opening act Dawes and Alabama Shakes were great. Criticisms; Too many tickets sold, venue too crowded. Only beer sold at venue, not everyone drinks beer. Charging for water negates the importance of hydrating and cooling your clients, a basic health issue. Also, calling the $1 per container charge to refill your water a "donation" misconstrues the nature of the fee. One would assume it would go to a non-profit. I asked, it didn't. Seems overly mercenary, didn't sit right in my mind. Being involved in many non-profits in my community, I highly suggest a tie-in fundraiser for a deserving non-profit. A bus route for concert goers would alleviate some parking issues.

More bathrooms and adult beverage vendors please!

The music should have been longer.

I would have liked to have brought a low seat chair.
I have attended MANY outdoor shows in the southwest. Taos is a beautiful place! I suggest more porta-potties. Many more. And more lighting in that area and other areas in the 'back' of the venue. An emergency after dark would have been difficult if folks needed to exit the venue in a hurry.

No more suggestions—it went smoothly. I don't know if any vendors sold rain gear, but that might be something to offer in the future.

I would love to see more concerts in the park. It was fantastic!

Awesome!!

I hope Taos continues to host great events like the Solar Music Festival and the premiere bands like Alabama Shakes, Mumford and Sons, Lyle Lovett, Michael Franti, Jacob Dylan, Los Lobos, etc.

The parking could be more organized for this many people.

NA

First time attending. Great experience. Would have bought liquor if lines were shorter.

My sister and I were the front, directly stage left of the center mic. At the end of the concert, a female security guard was in front dancing and taking video on her phone. At one point, she stood up from kneeling and was dancing in front of us. We thought it was ironic and unprofessional that a security staff member did this. Otherwise, the concert was awesome!!! Oh, the bathrooms were DISGUSTING!!

This survey is way too long.

More opportunity for purchasing concert merchandise. We left without t-shirts because the line was unbearable.

The venue was great once located. It was a good atmosphere with excellent selection of food. It would have been great to also have wine available besides beer.

Very happy to know running water was available for port-a-potties. Had visited Taos a year ago and was familiar with parking which helped during this trip. Wish I stayed longer because so much to see. I'm looking forward to returning to have a chance to see and visit more of the area.

Please do more of these concerts! It was a blast. Thank you!

The only suggestion is the beer line had one for credit and one for cash. The cash line was just too long. This might need to be adjusted. The beer selections were great!

More beer tents the waiting in lines got old fast

Overall great experience

Keep on hosting these types of events in the same way

N/A

I enjoyed myself!!!

I also attended the Mumford and Sons concert in 2014 and for whatever reason, there was a significant communal vibe present at that concert that was absent at the Alabama Shakes. The town seemed more bothered than excited to be hosting this concert, everyone was polite but not necessarily welcoming.

We thoroughly enjoyed our experience in Taos.
There were so many people smashed into the venue that I believe you would of had a catastrophe with a disturbance due to a fight, injury or illness. I have been to Kit Carson Park for events that were much better because there was adequate room for the activities.

Hope more concerts like this are scheduled

The other couple that was going to attend with us backed out because of the seating situation. One has a bad back and had suffered a stroke a few years back, and the other has MS. The seating provided was unacceptable to all of us. We missed spending time with them. The seating and the amount of alcohol allowed should be reassessed. Unless that were to change, we would not go to another concert there. Thankfully the weather cooperated.

Enjoyed our stay at the Sagebrush Inn, and our doggie's stay at 10,000 Wags!

I would gladly attend another concert at the Kit Carson Park venue. Next time I hope we can find lodging locally so we can also enjoy some of the other amenities in Taos.

I have to say that I was initially concerned about the huge number of people attending. I was disappointed about the changes re: bringing in chairs due to the extra people that were allowed to attend. Taos did a very good job of accommodating the numbers. The folks at the gate were friendly and helpful. Nice venue. I would recommend that children not be allowed to sit on their parent's shoulders. There was a tall father w/ a child on his shoulders and it really blocked the view. No umbrellas; then no kids on shoulders. Otherwise, good job Taos.

don't oversell the venue just to make money, it makes the venue too crowded and patrons wait in line (food, beer, restrooms) the entire concert

A place with a higher stage would have been nice. To many people and no place to sit and see the band.

Great evening. Brought friends from out of state to concert. Was able to show off New Mexico as well as Taos. I liked the outdoor concert venue. Concert provided us with a two day adventure in New Mexico.

Had a great time in Taos, as usual.

field/park needs to be on an incline so you can see over the people in front of you.

We love Taos and come often for music. To improve such large events, sell fewer than 8,000 tickets. Draw and enforce aisles so people can access food drink and restrooms. I never bought food. Skipped dinner. To hard to come and go. Mark area in front of stage where no blankets are allowed. Designate some area, even if far back, where people can have chairs. I'm 66 and did not enjoy standing for the entire AS set, particularly since I could see nothing anyway. Beer only?? You have local wineries. Why weren't they selling at the venue? Thank you for closing the road at the end of the concert. That was a great decision! Post some signs about concert courtesy. The people in front of me talked very loudly all through the Dawes set, oblivious to people around them trying to hear the music. Do they make solar portpotties with lights? If not, warn attendees they need to bring a flashlight to pee after dark. (I brought mine.)

Taos always a favorite, has a great laid-back vibe, unlike Santa Fe in recent years. Not pretentious.

I think there should be more big shows! Thank you Taos for having such a great venue and allowing all us outsiders to come and take over your town for a few nights!!

Would like to see booked bands play for more than an hour and fifteen minutes. Especially considering the ticket prices.

If possible during events like this encourage safe rides or more ubers invited in just for weekend

Keep Taos small. It was a great event. Don't change anything.

Wonderful, open space. Overall great experience. The only issue was that We stayed at the Taos Inn and after the concert, the hotel bar had closed and there was a worker at the entrance making sure no one came in. We informed
her we were guests and she reacted very negatively. We had to show her a key and were treated like nuisances. We were treated that way at breakfast and several stores. It was disheartening

Thanks!

I love having a survey to give you feedback, however, I'm not sure how importing thousands of people into Taos affects the locals. I hope they are given a voice in this planning. While I love coming into an event like this, the local community (outside of businesses/business owners) is of my highest concern. Is there a local pricing option for events like this? How are bands selected?

I already provided you with suggestions on a previous screen. We will not be attending this event next year.

More parking would be great for big shows. We were lucky enough to find free parking at a friend's place close to the venue. More beer trucks would be great too. The lines were soooooo long : ) Also, security could be greatly improved. I brought a large back pack in (in case it rained I brought ponchos and a tarp and hoodies) and the security guy just felt my bag for a second or two and waved me through. That doesn't make me feel very secure.

I will not be attending any more AMP concerts that allow smoking. They should have provided a smoking tent around the perimeter of the show so that smokers can kill themselves without killing me too. Also, should provide wine or cider in addition to beer.

AWESOME

A little planning for traffic lights and staffing would have made this trip perfect. The gorging of the hotel room price was offensive!

We would have stayed overnight or for the entire weekend. There was no local lodging for us. Please continue to bring great talent for performances!

Only thing that wasn't great...was we tried to get a late night meal after the show. Restaurants stayed open late but didn't plan for the extra people and ran out of food and wait staff was spread way too thin . We tried a couple places and then gave up! No big problem but some special planning probably would have helped their revenue!


I was particularly impressed with closing down Paseo del Norte at the end of the concert to accommodate the crowd exiting the concert

Nice weather, we were lucky it didn't rain.

Please see my earlier note about visibility at Kit Carson park. I really think asking concert-goers to stay seated, and to set up a dance area to one side is the best way to let everyone see the show.

Beer lines were super long but it was genius to let people buy two beers at a time. Good variety of food trucks. We had a great time.

We stayed in an earthship and it was awesome. Taos is a really unique place

If, weekend "mini festivals" continue, perhaps the plaza could be more activated for visitors.

Well done. Good crowd control. Good pre-concert communication, that was very much appreciated.

Well done! I never knew an event of that size could be so well executed at kit Carson park! Way to go, town of Taos!

it was great. I'd go again.

Would love to go to future events!

I will come to more concerts
Great place love traveling to Taos!

I thought things went smoothly. Overall the crowd was respectful. I gave you he sound. 3 as I am picky. I thought there was too much bass reverb. And The vocals should have increased. This was my first concert at Kit Carson. So I don't know if there are sound issues. I would come back again for another show w.

Thanks.

Overall we enjoyed our visit and stay. Getting to and visiting Taos is beautiful and full of charm and we love the Shakes. We have some very specific feedback concerning the concert that would have made every category a 4 or 5.

* getting to the concert required some scrambling. Our hotel was ~3 miles from the venue and congestion around the park was pretty serious so we managed to hire the hotel staff to taxi us to and from the event. This ended up working out pretty good for both parties, In the future I suggest you beef up the shuttle/taxi availability to get people to and from the venue. We would have used it if we had found one.

* Once we were close to the park it was very pleasant getting through security and into the venue. Once inside the congestion became apparent again. Kind of a typical open concert scene and everyone adjusted for the most part. Maybe don't sell 8000 tickets next time. How about 6000? We aren't sardines!

* Beer and merchandise lines were manageable but on the long side. Increase the staff here for a crowd this size. Sell wine! It was in demand but not available. Not sure why..

* Bathrooms went from a highlight at the beginning with ample availability and the handy hand wash stations and then turned to a low-light as darkness fell and eventually ended up as a safety/security/bio hazard late into the concert primarily due the the lack of adequate lighting around the perimeter where the bathrooms were. Without light people couldn't see if a stall was occupied and often were yanking on doors and bumping onto each other in and around the stalls. I am sure more than a few people got the door yanked open while they were inside doing their business. Perhaps the biggest problem was navigating inside the almost completely dark stalls. I had a light and am male and luckily didn't need to sit down because with my light I could see the deteriorating sanitary conditions inside the stalls. Yes I know public porta potties are famous for turning into bio hazards but putting them in the dark for hours insured this fate at the concert. The hand wash stations were welcome when getting out of the stall but ran out of water before the end of the concert.

* As dusk fell and the music began everyone stood to see the stage. That's when we noticed as a young thief wove swiftly through the crowd in a crouch skimming the tops of peoples belongings. We didn't actually see him pick anything but the guy next to us had mentioned he lost a pair of sunglasses from his side earlier in the evening while it was still light out! Chalk it up to overcrowding the venue and needing some more security staff.

* How about putting the stage on the west side making it slightly lower than the crowd to aid seeing the stage. I am 6'-1" and still was looking through heads most the the night. A few shorter people in our party barely saw the performance at all. It is typical to add a jumbo-tron or 2 or 3 around the venue to allow everyone to enjoy a front row visual experience. Standing near the back of the park basically made our experience all about the sound without the visual enhancement.

* Finally getting out of the park was really easy and efficient. Closing down the main drag and letting everyone diffuse out was extremely mellow and safe feeling. Do this again.

Thanks for putting this on and we hope you can add some of our suggestions to make future concerts the best they can be.

Please don't add our email to a spam list....
Great job, Taos!

Kudos for getting the entrance lines figured out post Mumford and Sons. Kudos for making beer available for the entire venue and not just a beer garden (I have attended Solar Fest for the past 15+ years). Over all, great job! (just wish the town wouldn't gouge everyone on lodging.)

Thanks again, can't wait for the next one!!

Awesome

Have more one a month in the summer would be great.

More food vendors, clearer signage on who takes cash only

Some sort of special public transit or taxi service for the event. Too many drunk drivers on the road.

Amazing venue! Loved it!

Really, it was a great event. The crowd was mellow and it was easy to get into and to exit the venue. Sound was awesome as was the performance. THANK YOU!!

AWESOME SHOW!!!! Bring Matas Yu NEXT TIME!

Excellent job! I hope to visit Taos again soon for a concert.

Great show. Thanks :)

The main issue I had with Kit Carson park was the use of blankets. I think that in the time leading up to a main event, blankets are good to use to eat and socialize, but once the music started blankets should be taken up to allow everyone to use space adequately.

Nice job by all.

Everyone we encountered was very friendly and seemed unfazed by the hubbub.

please please please bring in more shows like this!! mumford and sons and alabama shakes are both such excellent bands that reach a broad audience.

Turn it up

We honestly wanted to stay overnight in Taos before and after the event but were not able to find a hotel, condo or house to rent. Everything and I mean everything was full. We ended up going up to Colorado for the rest of the weekend.

Great job! We can't wait to come back to see another concert at Kit Carson Park!!

Offer recycling options and follow through with recycling the items put in there. Have the musicians or an announcer encourage people, before the show ends, to pick up trash and recyclables around them as they leave the venue at the end of the show and put them in the proper bins/etc. Offer a FREE or reduced price camping option and more free or cheap parking options. Also the concert was a bit pricey for a Taos show based on my past experience. Just mentioning that thought.

The only thing is better parking for these types of events.

Great Show!!

-Disappointed that beer was only liquor offered - would have liked to see wine or gluten-free option
- I would suggest a section with chairs and a section with dancing/standing - would enhance experience and make it better for those wanting to sit or have more personal space.
- There was no mention of "no food" on prohibited items' list, but I was told no outside food allowed. I was able to bring in food, because it was not stated more clearly.
- I wish there had been more word about parking. I was very worried about this. We got there early and it was not a problem, but suggestions for parking would be appreciated. Or have a lot and shuttle people...
- Sound quality was poor. Way too much bass, and it drowned out the sound for the Alabama Shakes. It was fine for Dawes.

n/a

Loved the concert, hope to see more amazing artist come to NM and especially Taos, it was an enjoyable little day escape.

great show. All went smoothly. Parking and general handling/organizing by Town seemed great. Bathroom lines were long. Food truck set up was great. Beer lines were a little trickier to maneuver, could have used more set up to go quicker. Couldn't get to t-shirt/merchandise booth.

Have an area w chairs (pay more)

shuttles would be super helpful.

When we left Alabama Shakes the sound was better outside of the park then in the park. What a nice bonus walking to the car. We heard the last song outside the park.

I like that Taos shops will give a discount to locals when shopping.

Price points for lodging are going up due to the work at TSV and the community is becoming more like Aspen when it should be thinking more like Telluride.

The concert event was run professionally. Really appreciated the presence of Law Enforcement and Firefighters and Fire trucks on the walk back to hotel.

NA

Maybe they should hold a concert just outside of town near the Mesa Brewery because the parking would be better and the view would be outstanding!!

Lines too long for beverages, merch and toilets. Need better maintenance of walkways into and out of crowd

Again - we urge you to investigate Wagner's Casitas. Unethical lodging practices ruin the spirit of Taos, and it's tourist economy upon which it relies. Thanks.

Please have ample accommodations for out of town guests next time.

Better security for over intoxicated people. I had beer spilt on me twice by patrons who should have not been served anymore alcohol as they appeared completely trashed.

we enjoyed our stay. only suggestion is to add cation lights where your pedestrian crossings are.

Please bring another concert to Taos the same weekend as the Up & Over race again!

Please continue having concerts like these. We also attended Mumford and Sons and stayed several nights at a condo at Taos Ski Area. The venue is wonderful and all the people in attendance were so friendly and nice to be around. We will come again and hope to spend more time and money in Taos.
The whole experience was wonderful. People were friendly. Parking was easy. Food and music were great. We danced to The Big Swing Theory at The Taos Inn the night before the concert. Great dance band!

Thanks!

Great concert!! Good sound, restrooms were over utilized, plenty of food... overall the experience was great

Use of lawn chairs

More concerts, please. We will come back.

The park was great. The entrance was easy because it was well staffed with the handy ticket readers so the line went quickly.

Longer show. Closer parking. Tie the event into the town more

Weather was great! Getting into the concert was speedy - I attended Mumford in 2013 and lines were horrendous - SO glad there was zero wait this year. Sound could have been a little louder, Alabama Shakes could have played a little longer. Overall a great concert, very glad I attended. Thanks for having, both AMP and Taos!!

It was a quick walk to downtown from the hotel. Sidewalks would be nice to have in making that walk. I would also be willing to visit Taos if there were designated bike lanes that led to the downtown area.

None

Friends were concerned about parking (we arrived early enough to avoid!). Would have been interested in a camping option in walking distance. A street hot dog vendor outside the concert would have made a lot of money when it ended.

Taos up and over is a great combo for the weekend.

I'm a part time Taoseno - my friends who came with me are not. They loved Lambert's, the Taos Mesa beer, and bring in Taos. I thought the event was well run and not nearly as much of a disruption to town as I thought it would be.

Better lighting around trees (roots) and pathways should have been made available.

everything was great!!...except the bathrooms, they were disgusting....and the beer lines were WAAAAY too long...perhaps add more beer tents?..

More bathrooms at the venue would've been nice

Loved it. The only problem were the length of lines for food and beer. We missed the first part of the concert standing in line

We love Taos!

Will be back!

I hope you bring more shows.

Would love to have more than 1 opening act! It's a long drive up, and might as well make a whole afternoon of music!

Loved it.

Take any comments with a grain of salt. Taos is the best place and I don't want it over run with ass holes. I love your flaws. Stay weird and small! <3
jetpacks, personal eco-friendly jetpacks for all visitors to your city, state, country. Call elon musk, or warren buffet, get it done. we need jetpacks, get rid of roads, but keep them cause i like pretty drives. also the jetpacks need to be able to convert oxygen and work underwater, air & water, hearts & minds!!!

Was gret, would do it again

Great show. No suggestions.

When the show got out, the fence to keep people on the sidewalk should've been removed because the streets were closed to vehicle traffic anyway. I had the foresight not to walk behind the fence but a lot of people got stuck behind it. The woman who parked us was SOO friendly and helpful. She was even waiting for us when the show ended to help us safely pull out onto the street in the proper direction. Overall this was an amazing experience, I love Taos!

The town of Taos and the promoters made this a great venue to be at and enjoy!!!

We would definitely coming to more concerts!

traffic control was great- security was there but not over

Great venue. Also really appreciate that amp doesn't gouge on ticket fees. Thanks for providing NM with sweet concerts in a beautiful location.

Place atm in park, notify via email that cash only will be accepted, SERVE MORE THAN JUST BEER!!!!

Seating

It was great! Food truck was a bit subpar, lines were huge for food and drinks.

The show was great!

Venue was great, but would be better to have stage set higher (or have a slant to the ground, but of course that's not possible to alter!). Also, lines for bathroom, drink, and food were unacceptable. More vendors and bathroom facilities needed to accommodate size of the crowd. Despite this, would absolutely come to Taos for an event again.

We were very impressed with not only the venue, but with the police officers, volunteers, food trucks, director and organization. We did have a little difficulty with security only wanting to allow our underage daughter with disabilities in alone (not with our entire party/other children or ourselves), but this was quickly rectified by other staff members/volunteers. Overall, we were very pleased and would definitely attend another concert there.

Thank you for bringing such a wonderful performance to a beautiful city!

This is a great venue for a concert. Keep it up. We will definitely come back again.

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There was a lot of pot smoking at the concert. Is it legal in Taos?

Having a better variety of available beverages. I am gluten free and was unable to drink beer. Options of restraints open during the concert time would have been good

I think it's great that Taos can attract such world-class entertainers such as Alabama Shakes and Mumford & Sons. We attended both concerts and will attend others like this in the future. The beautiful natural surroundings and entertainment options are an added plus.

Great venue but a long time standing for both bands

I've already described my disappointment with out hotel. Parking/getting to and from the venue is an issue and some thought into how to improve that would be in order. Alabama Shakers and Dewr were awesome!! However, given that
the venue is a park and visibility is really low even with the recent stage improvements, temporary video screens would greatly improve the experience and make $60/ticket for a park feel much more worthwhile. But thanks for a fun event ;)

More beer vendors.

Great concert, great venue! Please have more concerts scheduled there!

Additional areas for merchandise vending, beer sales, a few more food trucks. Designate line areas for rest rooms. Taos police were courteous—in general, it my family was able to enter/exit the venue smoothly. Give warning to local hotels/inns to highly staff cleaning crews prior to a sold concert so rooms are ready at check - in time. Many patrons at our hotel had rooms not ready for HOURS after check - in time, so had to go to concert without checking in. This deters future visits to Taos.

It was fun and I always have a good time in Taos. My band also loves playing there.

Never again. Can't see a darn thing. One level field with no chairs. Stood forever. Left early.

not enough food options. Loved the fact that one could drink freely in the concert area and that the beer garden was gone

Water filling stations were non-existent, it really was just one water fountain. There was no organization to the lawn seating and if you were not taller than 5'6", there was no way to really see the stage. Not sure where the official handicap seating was, but there was one attendee that I saw that could not see anything. Smoking was also an issue. Maybe a smoking section would be warranted.

Wish I had planned to stay several days!

Have more beer stands...line was too long so I didn't even get to have one beer

Sad you had to pay for water. It was well organized. I thought Dawes was great

Better seating.

I loved it

Super 8 hotel was last minute, very satisfied with cleanliness and condition of room

Was wonderful, wish I could have afforded to stay longer but am on a tight budget

I think that once the concert begins, the crowd should be asked to pick up their blankets and tarps.

n/a

Na

Would definitely go back to Taos for a quality band at Kit Carson Park again

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n/a

At the close of the concert, while people were walking out of the gate, security let a car drive through the crowd. The car was not going slowly and the driver seemed angry. It seemed like an accident waiting to happen.

Provide a shuttle to concert

Next event, suggest having more food trucks (lines were waaaay too long) and something other than beer to drink. perhaps a local winery, or theme drinks like margarita's?
Hope to see more shows in Taos.

The Kachina lodge was gross

The rooms were infested with bugs

The room was hot and the restaurant was gross

Additional beer tents and food trucks would have helped as majority of time prior to concert was spent waiting in lines

We ate breakfast at Taos Inn, Sunday morning, it took about 1.5 hrs (not enough wait staff, food was good, but service was poor)

We only knew where to park because our friend lives there; leaving the area around Kit Carson Park after the concert was difficult. However, we had no other problems, had a delicious dinner at Bella, and even the weather cooperated! It was a great experience.

Keep up the good work!

Glad I had family living near by, we parked at their house. Wine vendors would have been welcome.

No suggestions, but congratulations on a job very well done! I would happily go back to Taos for another event.

Looking forward to visiting Taos again! The venue, the atmosphere, the weather, the people... all of it combined for an outstanding experience. Thank you!

It was a great venue. I hope there will be more bands to come.

Taos is beautiful and we loved the local culture. I would come back again.

Please host more concerts/music events in Taos

Always love Taos. Town was organized for event. Parking ridiculous but we were walking distance. Music was great but crowd was really too big & people were kind of jerky about trying to protect their spots. Not what I am used to at solar fest—more like concerts in ABQ

I support Taos hosting additional concerts at Kit Carson Park. I think it's great for the town and brings good revenue to the area. As a native to Albuquerque I've been to Taos plenty of times but I feel like the concert and its fans would've brought the revenue to the area regardless. It's great the show coincided with tourist season but I think the fanbase would sustained the weekend alone.

I stayed in Angel Fire because good lodging in Taos had sold out

Have clearer parking listed and have some restaurants open after your concerts. It was a nightmare at sonic after cause they were so overwhelmed! Did feel relatively safe during my stay. And try to improve the sound of the concert. The speakers you had sounded pretty bad.

Next time it might help to have more info on where and how parking might be handled. Otherwise is was an amazing experience

Can't wait until next time. We met friends from Denver for a great weekend of friendship and music.

NA

Taos made a bad call on the "no lawn chairs decision". I've attended many outdoor concerts with lawn seating, and low chairs are always welcome. No chairs allowed folks to plow their way to the front during performances. Between
performances, my girlfriend and I were stepped over, and on, while trying to relax on our blanket. This dumb decision created a hazardous situation, and a less than ideal experience, especially for the older folks in attendance. Not just my opinion, but shared with many folks I spoke with.

Thank you to every local, volunteer, and officer who helped coordinate and run the event. We felt safe, cared for, and truly enjoyed our stay (as well as the amazing show)!

Work on the kit Carson field to improve viewing of bands.
Provide affordable lodging.
Those two things will influence my decision to return for a similar concert.

Really bother me that people were smoking all around me not only Tabasco but pot especially when many people brought their kids

More food and drink vendors

The conver was great and the venue was awesome.

I hope this venue stays and similar bands come to play! Definitely worth the trip to and from Albuquerque.

Keep doing what you're doing Taos!

Suggest a shuttle to venue. Inside, more help with vendors (lines were long!).

Keep bringing great music to Taos

As stated before, chairs would be a better option than just a blanket.

There was a lot of smoking (of tobacco and other illicit substances) during the concert that was extremely bothersome. Even though it was outside, when the crowd pushed together, it became a tight space and it was extremely unpleasant to have someone blow marijuana or cigarette smoke into my face. I don't think security did an adequate job on their end. There were children at this concert and plenty of adults that didn't want smoke in their face. I have asthma. It definitely negatively affected my concert experience.

Thank you for bringing Alabama Shakes to Taos. It was so much more magical to see them in Taos than in a big concert arena

Non beer alcohol options such as coders or wines. More than one merchanise table.

Perfect venue for this band - thank you! Suggestions: shuttle busses from parking areas to prevent people walking on/close to the road - we ended up walking a little over 2 miles total to and from parking, better restroom facilities - one i was in was rocking back and forth and almost tipped over, more beer tents or better delivery - people were stuck in lines and couldn't be with their friends during the show. Oh...and don't shut down the town after a show...a lot of us were ready to go out and eat, drink, etc but ended up going back to our hotel.

One of the best concerts and venues i've attended in New Mexico.

The alcoholic beverage lines were ridiculous. I would recommend using a vendor that can better serve 8,000 people.

Need to bring back the bus system you had for Mumford and Sons

Taos is cool, and I'm sure we'll be back (we live in Albuquerque)

I would suggest having an off-site parking location with shuttles to the event to ease parking concerns.

All the restaurants were closed after the concert. More food trucks should've been on the outside, when everybody got out of the show.
Great experience!

I don't have any suggestions! We had a wonderful experience.

After driving a bit closer towards the park, we were able to find good parking. It was just the first signs that threw us off. Other than that and the lines of the bathrooms and vendors, everything was great. We would come back for another show.

Had a great time!

Clearer signage for park entrances into the concert and signage for areas you can't enter, i.e. through the graveyard.

I believe the overall venue lacked in creativity for an outdoor even such as this. I believe there should have been a designated area in where one could have seating available to enjoy the concert. An extra $10 added to the ticket price would have enticed a lot of people I'm sure. For an outdoor event, it would have been nice to have a better atmosphere thought the open space instead of just having people land their blankets wherever they pleased and claim that spot for the whole night.

Possibly have exit lanes marked off on lawn for ease of exit while on lawn. Or limit tarps/blanket to a specific size. Venue also needed much more portable toilets.

Need more Handicap Parking and Traffic Control and Parking Spaces

I was happy that there was a limit to how much alcohol each person could purchase. The security there was amazing and the layout was very nice! The weather was perfect, I'm happy we got lucky and it didn't rain!

Loved it!

Would love better bike access through town, shoulders. If there were trails we didn't find them.

Difficulty getting to vendors, decided to not purchase anything at concert. Seemed that chair policy was not enforced. Nice vibe to concert. Maybe additional concerts in the future?

The hotels did not seem to be well prepared for the amount of visitors although they seemed to manage well. It was a really good concert. It would have been nice to have more variety of beer and some wine would have been nice. The line for the merchandise tent was routed through the crowd and could have been set up differently. All in all, we all very much enjoyed the show & our visit to Taos. I would definitely do it again!

Good job! Had a great time and will be back again.

Lines too long for vendors.

I would like to know that there will be some improvements in access to food and beer before I spend 60 bucks for another concert at Kit Carson Park.

I think that you should enlist a 'fleet' of Uber drivers to help cut down on traffic after the concert.

You had cider and beer advertised. No cider was found at venue. I don't drink beer, really dampened my enjoyment.

Please continue to bring amazing music to your lovely city!

I personally felt there were too many intoxicated people. Made it frustrating for our group to deal with.

The traffic control was outstanding

Taos is beautiful and quirky, the concert was very well-organized, the show was fantastic, and our hotel was fabulous. Some of the restaurants though appeared to be thoroughly clueless that they would be busy on Saturday, including regular favorites like The Gorge and Eske’s. Especially the Gorge, my goodness they were terrible.
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I used the public restroom near the Plaza and I got locked in for over 40 minutes. Luckily I had a cell phone and called my friends. This was on Sunday. The police would not come, a kind merchant from one of the stores tried several keys which did not work. there is not a locksmith in Taos. Another gentleman had a hammer and finally was able to bust the lock from the outside. Very disturbing

Music and venue was great. Was a bit short.

The band was awesome. Continue to attract acts of that caliber, and the city/festival will continue to realize financial "success" in the venture

True that the City of Taos owes the stage? If so, cool. Enjoy visiting Taos. We visit frequently from Santa Fe. Would have spent the day but had other commitments. Love music at Kit Carson / Red Willow Park, especially the solar fest which has a more laid back vibe than a evening show. My only complaint was the crowd and sound level - maybe I am just getting old! Dawes put on a great shown. And we can say we saw the Shakes outside in Taos with beautiful weather right before that got really BIG.

Blankets should not be allowed at the concert, I feel more people could fit in the venue and get closer views if people did not have blankets. Two individuals standing on a blanket would end up having a three foot barrier around them were you felt you could not get closer or step on their blanket. It was also a trip hazard, I saw several people get stepped on and/or trip trying to make their way to and from the bathrooms and food/beer stands in the dark because of all the blankets, coolers, and guests on the ground

Should have had wine or cider, not just beer!

Would have spent more money on food and beverage inside the concert venue if there were more food trucks, beer and bathroom lines were shorter. Suggest adding another band or two and opening venue earlier in the day to capture more visitors and make a Friday night stay more compelling.

I had been to Taos the weekend before with friends from New York and done all the sightseeing and shopping then. Spent a bundle!

I have a ski house i the valley and this gave me a reason to come up in the summer

You handled the amount of people very well and it was very organized and a calm group with the exception of some obnoxious 20 year olds that stepped on my daughter. She was not feeling well and was laying down on our blanket we were sitting next to her and a drunk girl was right on her stomach. Then proceeded to tell us that we were at fault because we were sitting down. In the future if no chairs are allowed than that needs to be stated when you sell the tickets on the first day, not on the 120th day of selling tickets.

A VIP area near the stage with dedicated Bar and bathrooms would be great.

Well done! Look forward to the next concert in town. Thanks for hosting it!

stage had lots of equipment on side/front that made viewing hard from the side. good performance.

Getting in was a piece of cake! No wait at 7pm. Not enough portapotties, inadequate lighting to exit the venue. Bigger standing room only area at the front. But all was great, very impressed with handling of the crowd, concert was great!! Had friends from oot, CO, NV. Saw Galactic too, hiked Williams Lake. And the rain held out. Great weekend.

Parking shuttles maybe.

Better patrolling for smoking in the venue or creating a smoking area for those who need to smoke.
The Taos Police Department needs to improve upon their professionalism and manners. I was extremely unimpressed and disappointed with their arrogance and racist comments while managing the crowds at the event.

Had a good time in spite of crowds and mediocre headliner.

Wonderful, wonderful time!!

It was lovely, just wish Alabama Shakes would have been more inclusive of their audience; it was very impersonal yet a great performance.

Wish there were more venues for food, drink & toilets in the park. Other than that, it was fantastic!

Get the town excited about the opportunity to make some money when you have 9000 people coming from all over! The brewery did a great job of providing a fun atmosphere that stayed open late, with camping on site- town was crickets within 30 minutes of the show closing. Didn’t make any sense.

Loosen the rules of what can be brought in to the venue. Stand up as the cutting edge community of Taos and lessen security.

We definitely enjoyed the concert, but my wife and I agree that we prefer the multiple bands of the Solar Music Fest over the single performer concerts.

Kudos to the town for doing this, and doing it well!

More restrooms at the venue, please.

I was most impressed with all the assistance the Taos police, fire and emergency works did in routing traffic after the concert. I was a little turned off at the signs for $20.00 parking. Although this may have been a decision on local vendors.

Staff was very nice, super accommodating (we rode bikes to the venue), but we didn’t get screened by security. We had followed all rules, and had nothing forbidden in our bags, but ended up not getting screened, fine by us, but worth mentioning.

I love Taos

Looking forward to more concerts next year--will plan on spending more time and $$ in Taos

Very impressed with both the City's and the promoter’s preparedness and quality of the event

Will definitely recommend to friends

Great job, AMP!

The field sloped away from the stage making it hard to see if your short or folks have their partners or children on their shoulders. The stage should be flipped 180 degrees. It was hard to see from the back

Taos prepared well. Physical space, traffic pattern, impractical for volume. I wouldn't return for similar event. Video support at concert would be expected with consideration of admission fee.

Great job by AMP

The concert was great, but Taos hotels are gross. I like to experience what a town has to offer when I visit, but I think next time I come to Taos, I'll be staying at one of the chain hotels.

Perhaps provide some light entertainment during the 2 1/2 hours before the main show. Like local artists(singers, dancers, etc).

Keep up the good work! We loved the Mumford and Sons concert a few years ago and now can rave about the Alabama Shakes concert as well!
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<td>I really appreciated that parking was free. It would have been nice to have two separate lines at the beer tents - one for cash and one for credit - instead of waiting in one long line and choosing a payment option at the end. I appreciated being able to purchase 2 beers per trip in line, that way my friend could save our spot while I bought beers for us both. And to prevent having to be in line as long if buying just for myself. I think too many tickets were sold for the size venue.</td>
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<td>I was with a group that hired a medium-sized private bus (via skedaddle.com), and our only concern was where the bus could park and pick us up again at the end of the show. It worked out (thank you, Presbyterian church!), but the driver wasn't sure what to do, and most of the people on the bus didn't know Taos and couldn't help him. A designated bus parking area would be helpful -- say one of the lots in Civic Plaza?</td>
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<td>It was hard to see the stage when everyone in front of me was holding up their smartphone (during the entire performance). I am not short, but tall people in hats seemed to like to stand in front of me. I don't know how you could slope the audience area to make it easier to see but something needs to be done. I will think twice before attending a concert at Kit Carson Park again. For $60, I expect to see the stage.</td>
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Bennet Security was friendly and efficient for a festival atmosphere. Good Choice! The fire department did an excellent job on getting traffic through after the event smart detouring and the police were pleasant and helpful! Great job Taos!

The sound anywhere to the side of the stage wasn't very good. It also echoes back off the smaller stage.

Would have preferred some type of seating. It was sometimes difficult to stand all the time. Some people were not considerate of others and push their way through the crowd.

Keep it up

Music in between musicians should be way louder and restaurants and bars should be open after concert otherwise beautiful venue and smooth entrance

Thank you for bringing alabama shakes to nm. I've heard tons of positive feedback from others who attended the concert.

Beer line too long so did not stand in line to buy any. Disappointment.

The crowd was nicely behaved. Too bad the venue didn't have a big screen to help the people in the back see the band better.

Needs better parking maps. Also why are so many storefronts abandoned? Looks sad. Also the plaza looks like hell compared to Santa Fe, needs more grass and less stairs.

Great venue and amazing bands. I would definitely attend more concerts in Taos.

More beer for shorter lines would be great.

Longer concert hour

I live here and love it here!

Great coordination of handling that number of people into and out of event! Kudos! Long lines at beer tents and tshirt tents - maybe something you can work on for next year.

Would have loved to spend more time exploring the city and going on a hike! Next time though, we're definitely coming back.

We love Taos, Alabama Shakes is a great band but we would not attend a concert in Kit Carson Park again. Long lines for everything and way too many drunk people pushing their way through the crowd. Sell fewer tickets and let people bring chairs - that might get us back. As is - no way.

Reiterating what was written earlier, flat grassy area had bad views of the stage no matter where you stood. Many people drank too much and should not have been allowed to. Hamburgers and fries were horrible.

Thank you to the band, promoters & the town of Taos! Keep bringing in great music, I will definitely return. You all did an amazing job, the town was packed but it was calm nonetheless. The weather could not have been more perfect as well 🙏

Everything was fantastic! A great trip all around. The lines to the bathroom were very long but that's to be expected. I will happily come again!

It was my first time there seeing s concert at Kit Carson and seeing Alabama shakes and it was s great experience

Keep it up! Thank you for a great show in taos!
Overall thought organizers did fantastic job. The only thing I would change is more trash cans closer to sitting (standing) area.

I don't know if 8,000 people actually came that night but I credit the attitude of the band and of the people with very good behavior under challenging conditions. If some of that almost half million dollars could somehow benefit the town, then I wouldn't mind as much. But I resent my little park being exploited by rich event promoters.

Great concert. A little crowded for my taste.

Please note my entry about poor seating and visibility. How about a handicapped and/or geriatric seating section?

N/A

None

Some areas of the park are stumbly when it got dark.

Would have stayed the night, had breakfast and done some shopping, but everything was booked up!

The security after the concert were rude and unhelpful.

I enjoyed the concert very much. I appreciated that there was only beer being served. I liked the variety of food trucks, although the ice cream did run out which was unfortunate. I liked the free parking and the walk was nice and close. I parked by town hall. I didn't like how long the merchandise line was. I felt very safe seeing all the uniformed officers. The portable urinals were good and plenty but quite stinky. I was most disappointed with the sound system. Louder would've been excellent. I would recommend not pets in the future because I sat next to a couple who brought their dog and kept worrying someone would step on him. A few people did and some tripped as well. But overall, I had a great time. Just disappointed with myself for not booking a room sooner. Taos is a great location for the Alabama Shakes type crowd. I would definitely return.

The food, drink and t-shirts lines were too long all night, so I didn't buy anything, even though I wanted to.

When the concert was over, I noticed all of the plastic cups on the ground. Was there recycling for this event? Is Taos Mesa Brewery responsible for the amount of waste accumulated? Is there a way for future events to purchase concert cup to be used again? It was a field of plastic. Events in general create so much waste, it would be nice to model after Planet Bluegrass who provide water (granted you have your own water vessel) and reusable cups. Thank you!

Great to have this in Taos

more bathrooms were needed, ID check for bracelet needs to be inside the fence,

More vendors, lines were terrible

Very well organized and produced concert. Beer lines were way too long and restroom lines got long into the night, but everything was wonderful. Food vendors had quality food, staff was helpful and friendly and sound was great (Alabama Shakes bass player was a bit too loud as was the drummer's kick drum). Made me proud to be a Taoseno.

Several people I spoke with did not find lodging in Taos. Had to stay in sf or la

The Kongos concert on the plaza 2 years ago was awesome! It would be great if the town could put on a similar concert for the people of Taos. Also, the Kongos had a much better performance than the Alabama Shakes!

Great place

my only distinct negative reaction to show was the constant cigarette smoke billowing around, nothing you can do about that I suppose but it made me feel ill

Very well run compared to the Mumford concert a few years ago.
Camping near the venue would've been nice. Had to drive to Eagle Nest for a hotel room. Not enough lodging in Taos.

I felt the venue was over crowded. Although we easily entered without the long line as with Mumford&sons. I wasn’t close to stage but still was packed in like sardines. When I moved back, the sound and concert seemed very far away. I waited for 20 min. in food line. Maybe another food truck needed. The next morning I was surprised that restaurants were closed. The diners that were open couldn't handle the number of people. Overall my family had a nice time.

I am glad to hear you are going to have more quality music/events in Taos.

Come back to New Mexico soon!

General admission ticketing was the most dissatisfying part of this experience. Low probability of attending this type of venue in the future.

We would have stayed in Taos if a room were available when we tried in late May. And then would have spent more in Taos.

I'm not sure if this was the case, but I've been to shows where there is a line to demarcate standing room up toward the stage. There were a lot of people being pretty territorial about their blanket space close to the front

Beer lines were too long but great overall experience.

None

ATM nearby

Thank you for a wonderful evening!

The port-a-potty odor on the south side of the venue smelled horribly and was noticeable in the beer line and into the area where people were sitting. Apparently the port-a-shitter company that was in charge did not set up clean bathrooms that had previously been emptied?

Weather was perfect! Friendly folks all over town, a very fun experience. We hit Eskes and the new Taos Mesa taproom - fun!

Need a better way to sell beer at concert.

Parking was expensive and left a lot to be desired regarding security of my property. Taos does not have a lot of places to go grab a beer, the Taos Mesa Taproom was way too over crowded, the Ale House was also crowded and hard to find seating. Having a bite to eat and a couple drinks, while reasonably priced, was exceedingly difficult. Taos needs more options for adults who would like to grab a drink and a seat

You have a top notch promoter employed in this venue if you are able to attract such acts as: Alabama Shakes, Dawes, and Mumford and Sons. Support that person the best you can! They are doing good work for the Town of Taos, tourism and New Mexico in general!

Taos is beautiful in summer. Great flowers and weather. From a nearby New Mexican.

Music events like this are a wonderful reason to come and visit Taos. I love the combination of visiting your beautiful town with attending a quality concert. Thanks for investing in the stage and making it possible!

We took bikes to ride around the town and out to the Pueblo. It was more difficult than I thought it would be to get around by bike and the Pueblo did not allow bikes at all. Aside from that we had a great time.

The exit method used after the concert was perfect and orderly. Thanks to local police and town.

The concert was great. Next time the merchandise tent should be closer to the entrance. The beer line, bathroom line and merchandise line were all merging together. Maybe consider starting the show earlier so kids could attend too.
Would be nice to be able to leave the park, and return.

Taos ought to consider operating the bus used during ski season. Festival concert attendees would definitely use it. I had friends walking from the southern most motels to get to the show.

I live here. There wasn't any information on the Town website or any concert website about parking and shuttles. I was worried about having to park really far away and safety of walking back to the car late at night.

We parked behind the church (back behind the Alley Cantina)....we parked about 1 pm...it was quite full.....but the only real problem was getting out after the concert. There was no one directing traffic out of the lot so it was slow. Might have helped to have an officer to help facilitate the flow. Although most people did take turns. Other thing was there was NO WHERE to go and get food. It would have been helpful to alert businesses that they could have made a ton of money just staying open a bit later to accommodate people looking for some food. We were headed to Ranchos and tried Chaluups (closed)....Wendy's was slammed, only other place we saw open really was Sonic. OMG.....we made the mistake of stopping there. It actually took us an hour in the drive thru. We actually dozed off. We should have eaten at the venue but didn't want to lose our spots at the very front of the stage. Next time, we will definitely eat there if we can afford it. We absolutely loved both Dawes and Alabama Shakes. We were pretty shocked they chose such a small venue but we were SO EXCITED!! Sure hope you are able to get more act's to come to Taos. It was a great time. It was a bit expensive for us, but we love Alabama Shakes enough to warrant the cost. They DID NOT disappoint. We are new fans of Dawes TOO! Thanks so much for bringing music to Taos that doesn't require you to be over 21 or having music start at 10pm at night!!

The information sent ahead of time by holdmyticket regarding what you could bring and not bring into the concert turned out to be inaccurate. We were told no bags or backpacks and It turned out but were allowed. It would've made life a bit easier if we could've brought them. Also, wish we were told we could bring sitting cushions ( stadium chairs) as we saw some people had brought them in. Security did not seem to check bags very much, which made life more convenient for some but did not seem that security was very tight there. A lot of pot smoking going around, which didn't bother us but was interesting.

This experience was quite good , compared to other Taos concert experiences. Luckily, the weather was good and the headliner was excellent. However, I'm still not sure I'd do it again; "live" outdoor concerts don't have the same allure as they did when I was younger. In particular, having to navigate a sea of people standing/sitting/guarding their territory to get to the rest rooms, etc gets old in a hurry. Having to endure the cigarette smoke and drunk people leaves a stale taste in my mouth. We were lucky to have parked on the outskirts of "metro" Taos meant we didn't get snarled in the close-in traffic jams afterward.

I had an emergency during intermission, so had to leave the park. Was not allowed to return back into the park for the headliner. I would have purchased merch, food, and drink if I had been allowed. Had to listen to Alabama Shakes from across the street.

Great event!!! I live nearby. The people working the event were very friendly. I loved that there were people collecting trash of the people waiting in line. Good mix of concert goers.

I felt that the restaurants and bars were not prepared for the flood of people ready to eat, drink, and spend more money in town after the show.

If beer is the beverage being served, more portable toilets are needed - the more people drank, the more the toilets were needed.

Rope off an area for people needing chairs

I was surprised that beer was allowed outside of the beer garden at the concert. I realize this is a huge money maker and perhaps what happens everywhere?? Made the ID wrist bands completely useless. absolutely anyone all ages had access and could drink.
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<td>We would have spent money with the food &amp; beer vendors at the park but the lines were too long. Since we are locals, we had a home pre-party for our food &amp; beverage. Although everything seemed controlled, the folks wearing SECURITY badges didn't appear to be securing anything! They were young people we personally know who have NO security background! Nice bluff, Taos. Good thing we had no active shooters or threats (that we know of!).</td>
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<td>Allow people to bring in a couple of bottles of water, a chair, and every vendor should be allowed to sell water as well as provide the free water. The more water the better and people were irritated when they could not buy water with their food. But otherwise the concert was absolutely the best organized concert ever. Have more of this AMP concerts. they have it figured out</td>
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<td>Great concert I am very appreciative that we have a venue that brings in big names so close to home! I felt the vendors and booths should have been consolidated better instead of spaced far apart: tickets were overpriced in my opinion for a one hour main event set.</td>
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<td>Longer time for the band to play, very short concert for $60. Should have been a half hour to hour longer. People were just getting into the show and it was over.</td>
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<td>The police blocking off the Paseo to vehicle traffic to allow the folks safe exiting was impressive. Otherwise, I really have to say that this was not very well thought out. I think you may have turned off more people than you turned on. Taos charm only goes so far.</td>
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<td>Very bummed that only beer was served....many people there were wondering why no wine options were available? This would impact my interest in attending future concerts.</td>
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<td>AS merchandise venue needed at least two more cashiers. Would have purchased CD, vinyl, and t-shirt but line was too long. Great to see Jambo there! Good that there were several beer tents. People down in front left their stuff on the ground so it was difficult not to trip over after dark. Again, I recommend working out a way to create some (horizontal) traffic aisles for people to come and go from their 'seats'. It was like having no aisles in a theatre where...</td>
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one has to crawl over the seats to get out. It was an annoying distraction from the concert having people squeezing between us, spilling their beers.

Security and organization, and the overall coordination was excellent, and especially the handicapped accommodations.

I truly enjoyed myself!

Difficult to see the act, sound was muddy, no room to dance, performance of the Shakes was disappointing.

I live in Taos so...

The Mumford and Sons show (while great) made town a nightmare. The line to get in stretched down the block and kit karson road.. for some reason that didn't happen this time. the whole experience of getting into the show and driving around town before / during / after the show was eerily smooth. great food this time. great beer and setup by the taos mesa brewery.

I thought the venue was beautifully run.

The park is a unique venue and the Town's willingness to push for such events is to be commended.

please invite food trucks to come back!!! Would love to see Karibu food truck come by for regular events. Maybe food truck days during Farmers market on Saturday mornings at the plaza.

The concert experience was much better than with Mumford and Sons in 2013. First of all, there was more information ahead of time letting folks know what to expect. For instance, that there was rain in the forecast, and what you could and could not bring into the park. It was easier to get into the park because they opened the gates earlier. In 2013 the lines were all the way down to Kit Carson and around the corner all the way to El Monte. The crowd was very well behaved. I did not see any rowdiness or fighting. It was a good idea to limit the number of beers one could purchase. Although I wish they had also sold wine. The sound system was FABULOUS. You could hear Brittany no matter how far back you were. One problem is there was a very very long wait to use the porta potties even though there were 25 of them. I waited in line at least 20 minutes or more. Because of the long wait I chose not to buy another glass of beer. If possible it would have been nice to have some lights that could be turned at the end near the exit. The terrain is very uneven and would have been easy to trip and fall. All in all, it was a great concert.

More restrooms would be great as well. BRING MORE EVENTS LIKE THIS TO TAOS! So great for the community, for our guests who were in town for the weekend and the concert. Everyone enjoyed the whole day. Fantastic venue, fantastic band, and the Town of Taos/City PD did a great job of streamlining everyone out of the concert. The travel back home after the concert was seamless. Such a great event. Thank you!!

I hope there are more outdoor shows and live music events in the future! It's great for the town. Thanks!

One of our guests stayed at Indian Hill motel and had a terrible experience. Will not recommend or come back to Taos.

Taos definitely needs more top notch concerts like the Alabama Shakes~! It was a phenomenal show and I would definitely be open to buying tix and attending!!!

The bathroom situation needs improvement, at the very least, MORE restrooms and more light as this was a difficult task as a woman in the dark, in a small space trying to take care of business.

The food trucks and the beer selection was great!

8000 people plus maybe more restrooms and vendors, the prices and line are crazy!!!!

Vendors didn't have what was advertised in the emails. Only beer, no wine. Water refill not available. Otherwise loved the whole experience!!!

Port-o-potties were an issue. should have been double what they were
Keep the shows coming!!

We were told no backpacks, but then tons of people had backpacks. We would have loved to have had stadium seats or backpack beach chairs, although probably difficult once the music started.

Our B&B was close enough that we were able to walk to the venue, so parking wasn't an issue for us. We observed many people well over the "limit" of four beers - how strict was the monitoring at the beer sales tents? Again, is there a way to ban cigarettes/tobacco products once inside the park? or have a smoking area? That would make it PERFECT!!

Needed more signs showing where concert was

Way to many drunks. Should have designated drinking area.

More food booths were needed; shorter beer lines were needed; bathrooms did not have a line (that was nice); we wanted ice cream or something in town afterward but everything seemed closed (like Baskins Robbins)

Put bathroom facilities on both sides of venue.

good job and look forward to more events in Taos and hope to see that stage get some use

It was all good.

Keep bringing as much live music as you can!!!!!! Love it!

We attended a gallery opening on Friday night. Why aren't more businesses open when 8000 people come to town for a concert? I already made the suggestion that more than one line might be helpful when entering the park. I don't know how you might better accommodate all the cars but parking is a problem. We liked having the highway blocked off when we left so that it was safe to cross.

keep em coming

Great music, great venue. Beautiful town!

We enjoy the Taos music scene and have been to music on the mesa several times and always have a great time. This would have been a great evening but was completely ruined for many of us. If what you want is a crowd with no children or old folks you certainly are on your way. Good luck paying for it while alienating customers you don't consider worthy.

orderly venue
more vendors
ropes for lines
more security
more water vendors

None

Great concert. I would come back to Taos anytime for another great concert.

Thank you. Love to see more shows like this.

Let's do it again sometime!

None, We Had A Great time
| Definitely work on the port-potty situation. They were disgusting by Alabama Shakes and the lines were crazy long. Security was very nice but was a bit confused on what was happening. We walked thru a restricted area by the Alabama Skakes bus with no one around. It was a great place for a concert, I would go again! |
| Lodging in Taos is limited, making it difficult to want to return for another show. The venue was crowded and lines for food and drinks were so long we missed some of the show. Lighting in the back of the venue where the food trucks were, it was dangerous to walk up the hill to see the stage. Please keep bringing in big name band to the city. It is such a special experience to see Grammy winning bands like Mumford and A.S. in Taos in a small crowd. Everything is super expensive. Can’t afford to go back for a while.. 😔 |
| great show. thx! |
| N/A will go to other concerts in area. |
| Glow sticks in the portopotties. Better and more camping options. Pest control at campsites. Fly strips and pest control for restaurants, especially Taos Mesa on the Gorge...such good beer, food and service spoiled by swarming, ravenous, biting flies. 7.00 beer too much even for a concert |
| Venue needed a list of what is permitted and what is not at kit carson park concerts... finally saw the list while standing in line... no umbrellas so then I had to get out of line to return them to vehicle. But everything was great and wonderful we loved this trip so much.. much to do with Taos. Met some great folks.. felt safe and had a great time |
| Would love to see video screens for the performance. would like other alcoholic beverage - Add wine |
| PLEASE DO MORE!! Can't wait to journey to Taos for another great concert someday soon. Keep 'em coming. |
| Great venue. Awesome show. Beautiful night! Loved it and hope to come back soon! |
| Super fun! |
| I would love to attend more. Have attended several solar festivals in the past Lines for beer were ridiculous. And the bathrooms were smelly and lines were long. Sound could have been slightly better. Otherwise, we're all talking about how awesome of a concert that was. Please bring more top notch acts into Taos!!! |
| Great job, guys! I did the Up and Over as well and it was so well planned. Having once lived in Taos, it's clear to see that Taos is up and coming in the world of entertainment. Keep it up, guys! :) |
| Please do this more often please bring death cab for cutie , modest mouse, Leila Downes, Jesse Cook, leehoward, the national, the cure... Better than seeing these bands in a casino ... |
| Great show! |
| Love the area! |
Beer line at show was ridiculously long. Seemed like it was making people buy 2 beers at once.

Great concert, well organized - had a great time.

No comment

Lines for drinks and bathrooms were way too long. Couldn't buy bottle water after concert started - said they were sold out??

A great show, well organized, fun event. Nice job!

Better parking

It was a FANTASTIC experience!

Thanks Taos. EVERYONE was nice!

Great Job by the Police department, easy access to the park, We had a great time

Lovely place to visit. Overall a good experience.

Was difficult to find lodging close by. I was at Quality Inn which I booked maybe 3 months prior, but found that others found closer lodging even later. If there was some central clearing office for lodging and vacancies, it would have simplified the whole process.

More big names

More concerts

They will be attended in droves

Please allow low chairs for people to sit. Became quite uncomfortable after 3 hours.

Restaurants should respect female diners as to seating and not assuming we are bad tippers. It is not just in taos.

More places to eat and drink at park.

I appreciate taos trying to do these concerts. I realize taos is not set up to offer these shows often. I sure miss the solar fests.

Parking/shuttles could be better planned and utilized, a single vendor for alcohol(beer) sales was disappointing. Possible expansion of VIP areas like they used to do at Solar Fest with a higher ticket price would be a welcome addition.

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