

ROME HALF MARATHON 2024

The half marathon organized by RomaOstia and RCS Sports & Events will take place on **Sunday, October 20.**

Already 3,500 registrants, over 3,000 of whom are foreigners! There are still 500 bib numbers available before the registration fee increases.

A charity relay race for team running and the Longevity Run 5k are also planned.

Rome, May 16, 2024 - A race to discover the beauties of the Capital: this is the Rome half marathon.

The start and finish will be at the Colosseum on Sunday, October 20.

For the first time, the City of Rome has decided to launch a half marathon (21.0975 kilometers in length) that will pass through the streets of the historic city center. An important boost to support an event awaited by professional runners and enthusiastic amateurs, but which also aims to involve the city in a series of preparatory events, where even the less trained can be protagonists.

This year, it will be organized by RomaOstia together with RCS Sports & Events; two companies specialized in the organization of mass sports events, which will bring their know-how and consolidated experience to this new sporting event.

Natural continuation of the important synergistic work already undertaken a few years ago with the organization of the RomaOstia Half Marathon, the most important and well-attended half marathon in Italy.

The Rome Half Marathon 2024 will feature a charming route, allowing runners to admire some of Italy's UNESCO World Heritage Sites, starting from the Colosseum, via dei Fori Imperiali, and passing by Porta Pia, the Trevi Fountain, Piazza del Popolo, the Pantheon, Piazza Navona, the Baths of Caracalla, the Circus Maximus, and the Roman Forum.





The loop course, with coinciding start and finish lines, will not only offer unique scenery but also provide participants with the opportunity to achieve a significant performance. There will be intermediate stretches characterized by wider streets, making this race also a fast one. A unique opportunity to be protagonists for a day, appreciating the wonders of the Eternal City, recognized and loved worldwide.



Decisively important are the initial numbers recorded to date for registrations (3,500 bibs booked), which highlight an interesting fact regarding the presence of foreigners: around 80%. This is a further clear signal of the attractiveness of running events in Italy, and particularly those organized in Rome.

It will be a half marathon characterized by inclusion, not only due to the interesting figure concerning runners from abroad but also because of the fundraising project that the organizers will introduce in connection with the relay, a race format that will allow the course to be divided into three segments.









LONGEVITY RUN - The Rome Half Marathon will also include a non-competitive 5-kilometer event! On this occasion, the Fondazione Policlinico Gemelli IRCCS, already a partner of the RomaOstia and Roma Urbs Mundi, will participate with its doctors to raise awareness among citizens about the importance of sports as an essential element for staying in good health and as a form of prevention for successful longevity.

During the training sessions leading up to the half marathon and in the Village, open on the days before the race, free check-ups will be organized on the main cardiovascular risk factors (smoking, physical activity, and eating habits), with direct evaluations: measurement of body weight and height, calculation of body mass index, blood pressure measurement, blood glucose, and cholesterol levels.

For information and registration, visit the website www.romehalfmarathon.it







Roberto Gualtieri, Mayor of Rome:

"The first Half Marathon organized within the wonders of our artistic heritage is another great challenge to enhance the beauty of our city through a major international event that combines running, culture, tourism, and health awareness. A large participation of foreign athletes has already been announced, the best proof of how the combination of sport with the history and art of the Eternal City is always able to exert an irresistible attraction."

Alessandro Onorato, Councillor for Major Events, Sports, Tourism, and Fashion:

"This will be Rome's first Half Marathon and it will become a regular event for thousands of running enthusiasts worldwide. The city has assumed the role of capital of road races. It will become an important asset for Rome on a tourist level as well, a day of celebration for thousands of people who will be able to run in the center of the capital, among monuments and picturesque landscapes, as if they were in an open-air museum. There will also be a strong focus on raising citizens' awareness of healthy lifestyles thanks to the Longevity Run and Longevity Checkup. Prevention is a right, it cannot be a privilege."

Paolo Bellino, CEO of RCS Sports & Events:

"The organization of a new running event in the Capital is a great source of pride for us. It is a challenge that excites us and one we want to win alongside our partners at RomaOstia, a highly experienced group with whom we have already been working with for years. This will be an interesting opportunity for the city of Rome to enrich its calendar of sporting events, attracting more and more spectators and runners from all over the world. A new challenge for us and for all the partners who will join us in this beautiful adventure."

Laura Duchi, Race Director of the Rome Half Marathon:

"The Rome Half Marathon has started very strongly, attracting both Italian and foreign runners. We are very excited about this new adventure and will try to engage the city with a series of satellite events throughout the year, which will combine sport with other themes dear to us, such as prevention and the promotion of a healthy lifestyle."







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