## MEDIA GUIDE











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## ABOUT RAS AL KHAIMAH HALF MARATHON

Hosted by Ras Al Khaimah Tourism Development Authority (RAKTDA), the Ras Al Khaimah half marathon is officially the world's fastest half marathon. The race first took place in 2007, offering races for all fitness levels and has a strong community focus through a variety of partners in the rich historical Emirate of Ras Al Khaimah.



## ABOUT RAS AL KHAIMAH TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (RAKTDA)

The Ras Al Khaimah Tourism Development Authority (RAKTDA) was established in May 2011 under the government of Ras Al Khaimah. In order to attract 1.5 million visitors by 2021, and 3 million visitors by 2025, the Ras Al Khaimah TDA aims to develop the Emirate's tourism infrastructure and establish Ras Al Khaimah as a world-class destination for leisure and business travel, creating sustainable investment opportunities and enhancing the quality of life for its residents. In order to achieve its goals, the Ras Al Khaimah TDA has a government mandate to license, regulate and monitor the Emirate's tourism and hospitality industry.

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RAK Ports are a central contributor to the economy of Ras Al Khaimah, linking
Ras Al Khaimah to the rest of the world with import and export activity. The
strategic location as the northernmost emirate is a key maritime gateway,
positioning the emirate as an ideal global hub for the industrial, manufacturing
and construction sectors.

## **ABOUT DUBAI SPORTS**

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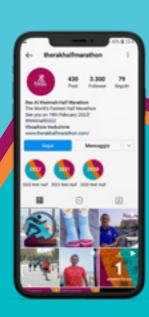
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## MEDIA EVENTS SCHEDULE

#### Friday, 18th February 2022

Venue: DoubleTree by Hilton Resort & Spa Marjan Island

11 AM: Elite Athlete pre-race press conference

#### Saturday, 19th February 2022

5:30 AM - 1 PM: Media Center open for accredited media

6 AM: 1st floor hospitality open

7 AM: Ras Al Khaimah Half Marathon 2022 starts

7:58 AM: First Elite Men Expected

8:04 AM: First Elite Women Expected

8:20 AM: Elite Awards Ceremony (Broadcast live)

8:45 AM: Pre confirmed interviews with Elite Winners

Please email

press@therakhalfmarathon.com

to book post race winner interview

# RACE DAY (MEDIA) ARRANGEMENTS

Race Day Media Center: DoubleTree by Hilton Resort & Spa Marjan Island

Hours of Operation: 5:30 AM - 1 PM

The race day media center provides a comfortable, full-service indoor location for members of the media covering all aspects of the Ras Al Khaimah Half Marathon.

The first floor hospitality will be open to media from 6 AM, providing an excellent viewing area of the race.

The race day media center and hospitality are open only to members of the media who present a media pass.

To register for accreditation please email

press@therakhalfmarathon.com

#### Official Start time: 7 AM

07:58 First Elite Men Expected

08:04 First Elite Women Expected

**08:20** Elite Awards Ceremony (Broadcast live)

**09:30** 5 KM starts

**10:30** 1 mile starts

11:00 Ras Al Khaimah Half Marathon Cut-off Time

13:00 Race Village closes

distance.

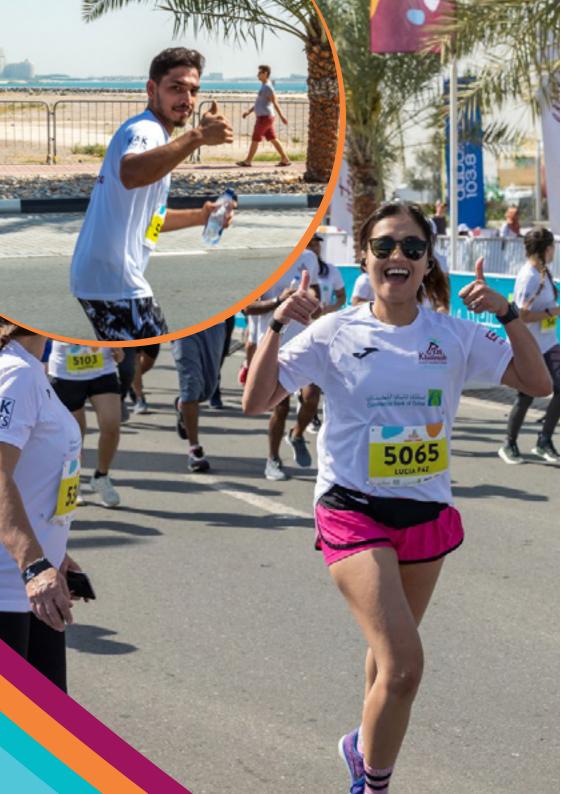
13:00 - 16:00 Celebration Brunch

The race route, which stretches along the scenic shores of
Al Marjan Island, has been adapted to position the start and finish
lines in the heart of the event village, allowing supporters to get

closer to the action and cheer on the runners.

The course has been measured and approved at national and international level. Every kilometer has been marked with appropriate signage at the side of the road.

We remind you that the trajectory used for the measurements corresponds to the minimum distance traveled. It is virtually impossible that you can follow the same trajectory in the race, therefore it is normal that your GPS watch records a different



## THE ROUTES

Set against the picturesque backdrop of the Arabian Gulf, the stunning Al Marjan Island will once again play host to the half marathon routes, with elites and race participants treated to pristine views of white sandy beaches and the shimmering ocean along the way.

HALF MARATHON

7 AM

5 KM

9:30 AM

## 1 MILE FUN RUN (NOT TIMED)

START TIME
10:30 AM

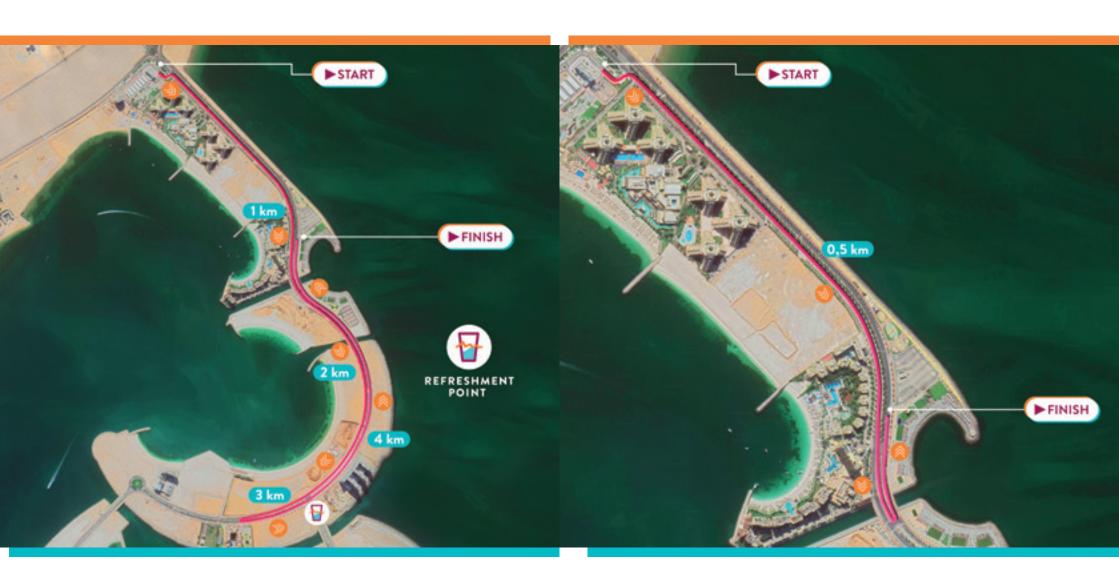
## (HALF MARATHON)

## **RELAY RUNNERS**



## 5 KM

## 1 MILE FUN RUN



## HALF MARATHON PRIZE MONEY

## BONUS

#### **WORLD RECORD**

MAN	WOMAN
AED 368.000,00	AED 368.000,00

#### **COURSE RECORD**

	MAN	WOMAN		
	AED 18.000,00	AED 18.000,00		
<b>SUB 58.30 MAN / SUB 64.30 WOMAN</b>				
	MAN	WOMAN		
1	AED 20.000,00	AED 20.000,00		
2	AED 12.000,00	AED 12.000,00		
3	AED 8.000,00	AED 8.000,00		
TOTAL	AED 40.000,00	AED 40.000,00		

TOTAL MAN TOTAL WOMAN
AED 426.000,00 AED 426.000,00

MAN	WOMAN	
AED 50.000,00	AED 50.000,	

1	AED 50.000,00	AED 50.000,00
2	AED 35.000,00	AED 35.000,00
3	AED 25.000,00	AED 25.000,00
4	AED 18.000,00	AED 18.000,00
5	AED 15.000,00	AED 15.000,00
6	AED 10.000,00	AED 10.000,00
7	AED 7.500,00	AED 7.500,00
8	AED 5.500,00	AED 5.500,00
9	AED 3.500,00	AED 3.500,00
10	AED 2.000,00	AED 2.000,00
TOTAL	AED 171.500,00	AED 171.500,00

## ELITE ATHLETES MEN

### **JACOB KIPLIMO**

Name: JACOB

Surname: KIPLIMO

**Country: UGANDA** 

Personal Best: 57.31 WR

**Bib** name: KIPLIMO





2021 Lisbon Half Marathon: 1st Place

2021 Valencia Half Marathon: 2nd Place

2020 Olympic bronze medalist in 10.000m

2020 World half marathon champion

Current world half marathon record holder

## ALEXANDER MUTISO

Name: ALEXANDER

Surname: MUTISO

Country: KENYA

Personal Best: 57.59

**Bib** name: MUTISO





2021 Adizero Road to Records Half Marathon: 2nd Place

2020 Ras Al Khaimah Half Marathon: 2nd Place

2020 Santa Pola International Half Marathon: 1st Place

### **ABEL KIPCHUMBA**

Name: ABEL

Surname: KIPCHUMBA

**Country: KENYA** 

Personal Best: 58.07

Bib name: KIPCHUMBA





2021 Valencia Half Marathon: 1st Place

2021 Adizero Road to Records: 1st Place

2020 Napoli City Half Marathon:  $2^{nd}$  Place

2018 Napoli Half Marathon: 1st Place

## AMDEWORK WALELEGN TADESE

Name: AMDEWORK WALELEGN

**Surname: TADESE** 

**Country: ETHIOPIA** 

Personal Best: 58.53

**Bib name: WALELEGN** 



2021 Copenhagen Half Marathon: 1st Place

WALELEGN

2020 Delhi Half Marathon: 1st Place

2020 World Athletics Half Marathon Championships: 3rd Place

2019 Ras Al Khaimah Half Marathon: 8th Place

## ROGERS KWEMOI

Name: ROGERS

Surname: KWEMOI

**Country:** KENYA

Personal Best: 59.16

**Bib name: KWEMOI** 





2021 Kenya Olympic Games Trials (10.000m): 1st Place

2021 Valencia Half Marathon: 9th Place

2017 Tilburg 10 Miles: 1st Place

### **SEIFU TURA**

Name: SEIFU

**Surname: TURA** 

**Country: ETHIOPIA** 

Personal Best: 59.17

**Bib** name: TURA





2021 Chicago Marathon: 1st Place 2021 Milan Marathon: 4th Place

2019 Bueno Aires Half Marathon: 2nd Place

2019 Jianzhen International Half Marathon: 4th Place

### DANIEL MATEIKO

Name: DANIEL

**Surname: MATEIKO** 

**Country: KENYA** 

Personal Best: 58.26

**Bib name: MATEIKO** 





2021 Valencia Half Marathon: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

2021 Copenhagen Half Marathon: 3rd Place

## ELITE ATHLETES WOMEN

ABABEL YESHANEH BRIHANE

Name: ABABEL YESHANEH

Surname: BRIHANE

**Country: ETHIOPIA** 

Personal Best: 64.31

**Bib** name: ABABEL





2020 RAK Half Marathon: 1st Place

2021 StraLugano, Lugano: 1st Place

2020 Izmir Marathon: 1st Place

2019 Kaptagat Half Marathon: 2nd Place

### **HELLEN OBIRI**

Name: HELLEN

Surname: OBIRI

**Country: KENYA** 

Personal Best: 64.51

Bib name: HELLEN





2021 Istanbul Half Marathon: 3rd Place

2021 Great North Run: 1st Place

2016 and 2021 Olympic Silver Medalist in 5.000m

2017 and 2019 World 5.000m Champion

2012 World Indoor Champion in 3.000m

2014 World Indoor Silver Medalist in 3.000m

2019 World Cross Country Champion

## **GENZEBE DIBABA**

Name: GENZEBE

Surname: DIBABA

**Country: ETHIOPIA** 

Personal Best: 65.18

Bib name: GENZEBE





2016 Olympic Silver Medalist in 1.500m

2015 World Champion in 1.500m

2015 World Champion in 1.500m 2016 World Indoor Champion in 3.000m

2014 World Indoor Champion in 3.000m

2018 World Indoor Champion in 1.500m and 3.000m

2012 World Indoor Champion in 1.500m

World 1.500m Record Holder: 3'50".07

World Indoor Record Holder in Mile, 3.000m

**EILISH McCOLGAN** 

Name: EILISH

Surname: McCOLGAN

Country: UK

Personal Best: 67.48

Bib name: EILISH



2021 Great Manchester Run: 1st Place

2021 Great North Run Half Marathon: 1st Place

1x Rio de Janeiro Olympic Games finalist 5.000m

1x European championships silver medalist 5.000m

2017 European Indoor Bronze medalist in 3.000m

5.000m National Record Holder

**EUNICE CHUMBA** 

Name: EUNICE

Surname: CHUMBA

**Country: BAHRAIN** 

Personal Best: 66.11

**Bib** name: EUNICE





2021 Abu Dhabi Marathon: 2nd Place

2021 Milan Marathon: 3rd Place

2018 World Half Marathon Championships, Valencia: 4th Place

2017 Copenhagen Half Marathon: 1st Place

### **GERDA STEYN**

Name: GERDA

**Surname: STEYN** 

Bib name: GERDA





2021 Nelson Mandela Bay Half Marathon: 2nd Place

2021 Sanlam Cape Town Marathon: 4th Place

2020 London Marathon: 7th Place

2020 Ras Al Khaimah Half Marathon: 13th Place

2019 Commrades Marathon winner

## **JUDITH KORIR**

Name: JUDITH

Surname: KORIR

**Country: KENYA** 

Personal Best: 66.25

Bib name: JUDITH





2021 Abu Dhabi Marathon: 1st Place

2021 StraLugano, Lugano: 1st Place

2020 Izmir Marathon: 1st Place

2019 Kaptagat Half Marathon: 2nd Place

# WORLD HALF MARATHON RECORDS

**RUNNERS - MEN** 

57:31 JACOB KIPLIMO

COUNTRY
UGANDA

LISBON, PORTUGAL

21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2021

WORLD
HALF MARATHON
RECORDS

**RUNNERS - WOMEN** 

62:52 LETESENBET GIDEY

> COUNTRY ETHIOPIA

VALENCIA, SPAIN

24<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021

## RAS AL KHAIMAH COURSE RECORDS

### **MEN'S COURSE RECORD 2019**

58:42
STEPHEN KIPROP
COUNTRY

**KENYA** 

WOMEN'S COURSE RECORD 2020

64:31 ABABEL YESHANEH

**COUNTRY** 

**ETHIOPIA** 



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