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Half Marathon Training Plan Improver





Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
01	Core	Threshold run: 30-45 minutes to include 3 x 5 minutes effort, 2 minutes easy	Rest or 30-45 minutes easy run or cross training	Easy run: 30-40 minutes	Rest	Continuous hills: 40 minutes to include 3 x 6 minutes effort, 2 minutes easy	Long run: 60 minutes easy
02	Core	Threshold run: 40 minutes to include 4 x 5 mins effort, 2 mins easy	Rest or 30-45 minutes easy run or cross training	Easy run: 30-40 minutes	Rest	Continuous hills: 40 minutes to include 3 x 7 minutes effort, 2 minutes easy	Long run: 70 minutes easy
03	Core	Threshold run: 45 minutes including 3 x 7 minutes at threshold with 3 minute jog recovery.	Rest or 30-45 minutes easy run or cross training	Easy run: 40 minutes	Rest	Continuous hills: 40 minutes to include 2 x 10 minutes effort, 2 minutes easy	Long run: 75 minutes easy

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08	Core	Threshold run: 60 minutes to include 3 x 10 minutes effort, 2 minutes easy	Rest or 45 minute easy run or cross training	Threshold run: 40 minutes with middle 20 at threshold effort	Rest	45 minute relaxed run	Long run: 1 hour 45 minutes with final 3 x 15 minutes at half marathon pace with 5 minutes easy recovery
09	Core	Threshold run: 50 minutes with final 20 at threshold effort	Rest or 45 minute easy run or cross training	Fartlek run: 45 minutes with 5,4,3,2,1 minute efforts. Get faster each effort with 90 seconds jog between each	Rest	45 minute relaxed run	Long run: 2 hours with final 30 minutes run as 15 minutes half marathon pace, 15 mins slightly faster
10	Core	Threshold run: 60 minutes with final 25 at threshold effort	Rest or 45 minute easy run or cross training	Fartlek run: 45 minutes with 6,5,4,3,2,1 minute efforts. Get faster each effort with 90 seconds jog between each	Rest	45 minute relaxed run	Long run: 90 minutes with final 30-40 at half marathon pace
11	Core	Threshold run: 50 minutes with 8 x 3 minute efforts where the odd numbers at threshold, the evens at 3-5km pace with 90 seconds rest	Rest or 30-40 minute easy run or cross training	Progression run: 15 minutes easy, 15 minutes steady, 15 minutes threshold	Rest	5k Parkrun or session with 5 x 4 minutes at 5-10k pace with 90 seconds rest	Long run: 75 minutes relaxed

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12	Core	30 mins including 3 x 5 minutes at half marathon pace with 3-5 minute jog recovery	30 minutes easy run or cross training	Progression run of 10/10/10	Rest	15 minutes easy	Half marathon good luck!

Important information

- Please do a 15-minute warm-up and cool-down before threshold, continuous or hills or interval sessions.
- If you're feeling up to it, you may wish to consider a 20–30 minute recovery run in the morning before any of the quality sessions.
- Always substitute cross-training for running if you are injured, very sore or it's not safe to run.

- Please add core conditioning, Pilates or yoga classes once or twice a week if you have time.
- Try to stretch every day for at least 10 minutes.
- Always eat within 20–30 minutes of finishing a run.
- Always train at the specified paces; don't compromise or run too hard. Tiredness always catches up, so take extra rest if required.