



LAUREN FLESHMAN'S TRAIN HARD TO HAVE FUN 11-WEEK MARATHON TRAINING PLAN

Do you want to train for a marathon without running taking over your life? Have a goal to feel as strong as possible for those 26.2 miles? This training plan will help get you to the finish line with a smile. Yes, you'll have to work hard. Yes, you should do some core and stretching. And yes, you'll also have plenty of off days, easy days, and check-ins along the way!

PLAN A is designed for runners who already feel comfortable running 35-40 miles per week going into training. **PLAN B** is for runners who are running approximately 20-25 miles per week heading into training.

THE KEY:

MI = MILES

MIN = MINUTES

90"R = 90 SECONDS REST (SHUFFLE JOG OR WALK)

THE DOZEN // (click here)

HM: HALF MARATHON PACE // if you've run one recently - if not, take your best guess of a pace that you could push for 13 miles, faster than conversational

BAND WALKS // (click here)

EASY RUNS // conversational, should be at least 1 min per mile slower than half marathon pace

JASYOGA // great targeted moves, videos, free 2 week trial! (click here)

XT // crosstrain of choice; some runner favorites include walking, swimming, cycling, yoga

LEGS UP THE WALL // (click here)

STRIDES // 20 seconds of fast and free running, focus on form (click here)

FARTLEK // "speed play" means adjusting pace in time increments, playing with running faster and slower in a continuous way!



Make your race a playground not a proving ground. - Lauren

LAUREN'S MENTAL STRENGTH RACE DAY WISDOM AND MANTRAS //

Once you get to race week, it's all positivity, baby! Whether you were able to tick every box with training and preparation, or not, it's possible to have a positive race experience. And as far as I'm concerned, that's the point of all this! To set a goal that adds a little something exciting and a little unknown to life, to see it through the best you can, and be proud of yourself for getting to the starting line. The race is a celebration of your daring, of your strong body, and of the running community that is millions strong that you are a part of. I mean, look at all these crazy people lining up to do this thing! And people keep doing it! It is proof that there is something awesome waiting to be experienced.

For the race itself, get to that line as positive as you can. I like to anchor myself in gratitude, because it is a super positive and grounding force that cuts through all the bullshit. And go in with a plan. Your race plan can be highly individual, but if you were to ask me for advice, this is what I'd say:

PART 1 // "Relaxation"

Run the first 15 miles with the mental cue "relaxation." Keep the mood light. Smile easily. Pick a pace you feel confident you can maintain for the entire marathon on an average day. Feel super good at mile 8? Mile 13? Great! Don't pick it up yet. Let the tension build. Let the plot thicken. It's worth it.

PART 2 // "Tune in"

Now you've got 60% of the race behind you. Next up? Lucky 7, BABY! For the next seven miles, from 15-22, start tuning in more. You don't have to pick up the pace yet, but it might happen naturally during this stretch. It's a change of mindset that is important. Tune in to your body and make sure you're being smooth and efficient. Bring a little focus to the table now. Notice the group you're falling into a groove with. Start looking ahead a bit and imagining where you'd like to be a mile from now, two miles from now, who you'd like to be running with in the final miles. Work your way up a bit, if it suits you. Use this stretch of race to enjoy your fitness, and pump yourself up with positivity as needed. I like to prepare some mantras in advance. Near the end of this section, it may start to bite a little bit, so be ready to be the good angel on your own shoulder. You deserve it. I like to say "Look at you! You're amazing! Just keep going."

PART 3 // "You're doing it!" "Get down with your bad self!"

These final 4.2 miles are going to be memorable no matter the specifics, so once you see that mile 22 sign, get pumped. In the marathon, you're signing up to see what you're capable of, and this last section of the race is your time to follow through. No matter who you are, no matter how you feel, no matter your expectations, the final miles call you up to persevere. Heed the call. Hell, jump at the chance to show yourself that you can do it. YOU ARE DOING IT. As the final miles tick down, allow yourself to feel proud. To look around at the people on the sidelines, at the runners who are sharing the course...each with their own story. Take it in. You're a part of something awesome. YOU are someone awesome. Go get that finish line.

WEEK 1	PLAN A	PLAN B	EXTRA
MONDAY	OFF	OFF	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
TUESDAY	EASY 6 MI	EASY 3 MI	STRIDES
WEDNESDAY	2-4 MI WARMUP, 12 SETS OF 1 MIN HARD, 1 MIN EASY FARTLEK, 2 MI COOLDOWN	2 MILES WARMUP, 8 SETS OF 1 MIN HARD, 1 MIN EASY FARTLEK, 2 MILES COOLDOWN	2 MIN BAND WALKS
THURSDAY	SLOW AND EASY 6 MI	SLOW AND EASY 3 MI	10 MIN JASYOGA HIPS OR SIDE BODY
FRIDAY	OPTIONAL DAY OFF RUNNING	OPTIONAL DAY OFF RUNNING	THE DOZEN
SATURDAY	7 MI HILLY TERRAIN RUN	5 MI HILLY TERRAIN RUN	5 MIN ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS, STRETCH CALVES
SUNDAY	10-12 MI SMOOTH, RELAXED	8 MI SMOOTH, RELAXED	LEGS UP THE WALL
	PLAN A WEEKLY MILEAGE: 38	PLAN B WEEKLY MILEAGE: 25	
WEEK 2	PLAN A	PLAN B	EXTRA
MONDAY	OFF	OFF	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
TUESDAY	5 MI RUN AND 4 STRIDES	3 MI RUN AND 4 STRIDES	STRIDES
WEDNESDAY	2 MI WARMUP, 1 X 1 MI @ HM, 90"R, 8 X 800 AT CURRENT 10K PACE WITH 90"R, 90"R, 1 X 1 MI @ HM, 2 MI WARMDOWN	1 MI WARMUP, 1 X 1 MI @ HM, 90"R, 6 X 800 WITH 90"R, 90"R, 1 X 1 MI @ HM, 1 MI WARMDOWN	2 MIN BAND WALKS
THURSDAY	SLOW AND EASY 6 MI	SLOW AND EASY 3 MI	10 MIN JASYOGA FEET
FRIDAY	7 MI RELAXED	OFF OR XT OF CHOICE	THE DOZEN
SATURDAY	5 MI, HILLY TERRAIN BUT NOT FAST	5 MI, HILLY TERRAIN BUT NOT FAST	5 MIN ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS, STRETCH CALVES
SUNDAY	LONG 12 MI, FIRST HALF A LITTLE SLOWER THAN SECOND HALF OVERALL, NOTHING CRAZY	LONG 10 MI, FIRST HALF A LITTLE SLOWER THAN SECOND HALF OVERALL, NOTHING CRAZY	LEGS UP THE WALL
	PLAN A WEEKLY MILEAGE: 45	PLAN B WEEKLY MILEAGE: 28	/ /

WEEK 3	PLAN A	PLAN B	EXTRA
MONDAY	OFF	OFF	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
TUESDAY	5 MI, RUN SECOND HALF A LITTLE BIT QUICKER, AND 5 STRIDES	3-4 MI, RUN SECOND HALF A LITTLE BIT QUICKER, AND 5 STRIDES	STRIDES
WEDNESDAY	3 MI WARMUP, FARTLEK 3 SETS OF (3 MIN STRONG, 3 MIN EASY, 2 MIN STRONG, 2 MIN EASY, 1 MIN STRONG, 1 MIN EASY), 2 MI COOLDOWN	2 MI WARMUP, FARTLEK 2 SETS OF (3 MIN STRONG, 3 MIN EASY, 2 MIN STRONG, 2 MIN EASY, 1 MIN STRONG, 1 MIN EASY), 2 MI COOLDOWN	BAND WALKS/ 2 X 30-60 SECOND PLANK VARIATION
THURSDAY	SLOW AND EASY 6 MI	OFF OR CROSSTRAIN/ WALK YOUR CHOICE	10 MIN JASYOGA YOUR CHOICE
FRIDAY	7 MI, RUN BY FEEL, EASY TO MODERATE	3 MI, RUN BY FEEL, EASY TO MODERATE	THE DOZEN
SATURDAY	EASY 5 MI AND GOOD STRETCH	EASY 3 MI AND GOOD STRETCH	5 MIN ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS, STRETCH CALVES
SUNDAY	LONG 13 MI BY FEEL PLAN A WEEKLY MILEAGE: 46	LONG 12 MI BY FEEL PLAN B WEEKLY MILEAGE: 29	LEGS UP THE WALL
WEEK 4	PLAN A	PLAN B	EXTRA
MONDAY	OFF	OFF	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
TUESDAY	6 MI RUN AND 6 STRIDES	4 MI RUN AND 6 STRIDES	STRIDES
WEDNESDAY	2 MI WARMUP, 2 X 1 MI @ 30 SECONDS FASTER THAN MARATHON PACE WITH 90"R, 5' JOG R, 4 SETS OF 800 ALTERNATING 30S FASTER THAN MARATHON PACE, 30S SLOWER THAN MARATHON PACE(CONTINUOUS), 5' JOG R, 1 MI @ 30S FASTER THAN MARATHON PACE OR FASTER, 1 MI COOLDOWN	2 MI WARMUP, 2 X 1 MI @ 30 SECONDS FASTER THAN MARATHON PACE WITH 90"R, 5' JOG R, 4 SETS OF 800 ALTERNATING 30S FASTER THAN MARATHON PACE, 30S SLOWER THAN MARATHON PACE(CONTINUOUS), 5' JOG R, 1 MI @ 30S FASTER THAN MARATHON PACE OR FASTER, 1 MI COOLDOWN	BAND WALKS/ 2 X 1 MIN PLANK VARIATION
THURSDAY	SLOW AND EASY 6 MI	SLOW AND EASY 3 MI	10 MIN JASYOGA YOUR CHOICE
FRIDAY	OPTIONAL DAY OFF RUNNING	OPTIONAL DAY OFF RUNNING	THE DOZEN
SATURDAY	RELAXED PACE FOR 5-6 MI	RELAXED PACE 3-4 MI	5 MIN ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS, STRETCH CALVES
SUNDAY	LONG 14: FIRST 6 MI EASY, 8 MI AFTER THAT PROGRESS DOWN FROM RELAXED PACE TO HM PACE OR SO AT END, PRACTICE FUELING	LONG 13: FIRST 5 MI EASY, 8 MI AFTER THAT PROGRESS DOWN FROM RELAXED PACE TO HM PACE OR SO AT END, PRACTICE FUELING	LEGS UP THE WALL

PLAN A WEEKLY MILEAGE: 38

PLAN B WEEKLY MILEAGE: 25

WEEK 5	PLAN A	PLAN B	EXTRA
MONDAY	OFF	OFF	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
TUESDAY	4 MI RUN AND 6 STRIDES	4 MI RUN AND 6 STRIDES	STRIDES
WEDNESDAY	3 MI WARMUP, LADDER @ 10K EFFORT WITH A PUNCH. (5MIN, 4 MIN, 3 MIN, 2 MIN, 1 MIN, (3 MIN JOG BETWEEN EVERYTHING)), 5 MIN EASY, 1 MI STRONG, 1-2 MI COOLDOWN	2 MI WARMUP, LADDER @ 10K EFFORT WITH A PUNCH. (5MIN, 4 MIN, 3 MIN, 2 MIN, 1 MIN, (3 MIN JOG BETWEEN EVERYTHING)), 5 MIN EASY, 1 MI STRONG, 1-2 MI COOLDOWN	BAND WALKS/ 2 X 1 MIN PLANK VARIATION
THURSDAY	SLOW AND EASY 6 MI	SLOW AND EASY 3 MI	10 MIN JASYOGA YOUR CHOICE
FRIDAY	7 MI EASY TO MODERATE	OFF OR XT	THE DOZEN
SATURDAY	EASY 4-5 MI AND A GOOD STRETCH	EASY 4-5 MI AND A GOOD STRETCH	5 MIN ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS, STRETCH CALVES
SUNDAY	LONG 15: FIRST 8 MI EASY, THEN ALTERNATING -30 SEC UNDER MARATHON PACE, 30 SEC OVER MARATHON PACE FOR NEXT 6 MI, PRACTICE FUELING, 1 MI COOLDOWN	LONG 15: FIRST 8 MI EASY, THEN ALTERNATING -30 SEC UNDER MARATHON PACE, 30 SEC OVER MARATHON PACE FOR NEXT 6 MI, PRACTICE FUELING, 1 MI COOLDOWN	LEGS UP THE WALL
	PLAN A WEEKLY MILEAGE: 44	PLAN B WEEKLY MILEAGE: 30	
WEEK 6	PLAN A	PLAN B	EXTRA
MONDAY	OFF	OFF	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
TUESDAY	7 MI RUN AND 6 STRIDES	5 MI RUN AND 6 STRIDES	STRIDES
WEDNESDAY	2 MI WARMUP, 45 MIN PROGRESSIVE TEMPO (20 MIN A LITTLE SLOWER THAN MARATHON PACE, 15 AT MARATHON PACE, 10 MIN FASTER), 2 MI COOLDOWN (IMPORTANT TO PICK A REALISTIC MARATHON PACE ON WHAT WOULD BE A TYPICAL DAY AND BUILD THE WORKOUT AROUND THAT. YOU CAN ALWAYS PICK IT UP THE LAST 10 MIN QUITE A BIT IF YOU UNDERSHOT THE FIRST PARTS).	2 MI WARMUP, 45 MIN PROGRESSIVE TEMPO (20 MIN A LITTLE SLOWER THAN MARATHON PACE, 15 AT MARATHON PACE, 10 MIN FASTER), 2 MI COOLDOWN (IMPORTANT TO PICK A REALISTIC MARATHON PACE ON WHAT WOULD BE A TYPICAL DAY AND BUILD THE WORKOUT AROUND THAT. YOU CAN ALWAYS PICK IT UP THE LAST 10 MIN QUITE A BIT IF YOU UNDERSHOT THE FIRST PARTS).	2 MIN BAND WALKS
THURSDAY	SLOW AND EASY 6 MI	SLOW AND EASY 3 MI	10 MIN JASYOGA YOUR CHOICE
FRIDAY	OPTIONAL DAY OFF RUNNING	OFF DAY	THE DOZEN
SATURDAY	EASY 5 MI AND GOOD STRETCH	XT YOUR CHOICE AT LEAST 45 MIN EASY	5 MIN ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS, STRETCH CALVES
SUNDAY	LONG 16 MI, RELAXED PACE, PRACTICE FUELING	LONG 16 MI, RELAXED PACE, PRACTICE FUELING	LEGS UP THE WALL

PLAN A WEEKLY MILEAGE: 44

PLAN B WEEKLY MILEAGE: 34

WEEK 7	PLAN A	PLAN B	EXTRA
MONDAY	OFF	OFF	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
TUESDAY	7 MI RUN AND 8 STRIDES	3 MI RUN AND 4 STRIDES	STRIDES
WEDNESDAY	2 SETS OF 8 X 800 WITH 60"R, 5 MIN SET REST, @ HM EFFORT (PICK A REALISTIC HM PACE ON AN AVERAGE DAY. SOMETHING YOU FEEL CONFIDENT YOU COULD MANAGE. YOU CAN ALWAYS PICK IT UP THE LAST SET AT SOME POINT IF YOU UNDERSHOT IT!)	AVERAGE DAY. SOMETHING YOU FEEL CONFIDENT	BAND WALKS/ 2 X 1 MIN PLANK VARIATION
THURSDAY	SLOW AND EASY 6 MI	SLOW AND EASY 3 MI	10 MIN JASYOGA YOUR CHOICE
FRIDAY	OPTIONAL DAY OFF RUNNING	OFF DAY / XT	THE DOZEN
SATURDAY	EASY 5 AND GOOD STRETCH	EASY 2 AND GOOD STRETCH	5 MINUTES ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS, STRETCH CALVES
SUNDAY	LONG 18 - 8 MI RELAXED, 9 MI FARTLEK ((6 SETS OF (1 MI @15S FASTER THAN MARATHON PACE, 800M @EASY PACE)), 1 MI COOLDOWN PLAN A WEEKLY MILEAGE: 47	LONG 18 - 8 MI RELAXED, 9 MI FARTLEK ((6 SETS OF (1 MI @15S FASTER THAN MARATHON PACE, 800M @EASY PACE)), 1 MI COOLDOWN PLAN B WEEKLY MILEAGE: 36	LEGS UP THE WALL
WEEK 8	PLAN A	PLAN B	EXTRA
MONDAY	OFF	OFF	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
TUESDAY	8 MI RUN AND 8 STRIDES	3 MI RUN AND 5 STRIDES	STRIDES
WEDNESDAY	2 MI WARMUP, 2 MI @ MARATHON PACE, 2 X 50 SECOND HILLS, EVERY 3RD HILL TRY TO GO A LITTLE FARTHER THAN THE OTHERS IN THE 50 SEC, 3-4 MI COOLDOWN	2 MI WARMUP, 2 MI @ MARATHON PACE, 12 X 50 SECOND HILLS, EVERY 3RD HILL TRY TO GO A LITTLE FARTHER THAN THE OTHERS IN THE 50 SEC, 2 MI COOLDOWN	BAND WALKS/ 2 X 1 MIN PLANK VARIATION
THURSDAY	SLOW AND EASY 6 MI	SLOW AND EASY 3 MI	, 10 MIN JASYOGA YOUR CHOICE
FRIDAY	OPTIONAL DAY OFF RUNNING	DAY OFF RUNNING, XT OPTIONAL	THE DOZEN
SATURDAY	EASY 6 MI AND GOOD STRETCH	EASY 3 MI AND GOOD STRETCH	5 MIN ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS, STRETCH CALVES
SUNDAY	20 MI LONG RUN, TIME ON THE FEET, NOT FAST AT ALL, PRACTICE FUELING	20 MI LONG RUN, TIME ON THE FEET, NOT FAST AT ALL, PRACTICE FUELING	LEGS UP THE WALL

PLAN A WEEKLY MILEAGE: 50

PLAN B WEEKLY MILEAGE: 37

WEEK 9	PLAN A	PLAN B	EXTRA
MONDAY	OFF	OFF	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
TUESDAY	5 RUN AND 6 STRIDES	3 MI RUN AND 3 STRIDES	, STRIDES
WEDNESDAY	15 MIN WARMUP, 4-5 X 10 MIN AT HM EFFORT WITH 5 MIN EASY JOG BETWEEN, 5 MIN COOLDOWN	10 MIN WARMUP, 4 X 10 MIN AT HALF MARATHON EFFORT WITH 5 MIN EASY JOG BETWEEN, 5 MIN COOLDOWN	BAND WALKS/ 2 X 1 MIN PLANK VARIATION
THURSDAY	EASY 6 MI	EASY 3 MI	10 MIN JASYOGA YOUR CHOICE
FRIDAY	OPTIONAL DAY OFF RUNNING	DAY OFF RUNNING, XT OPTIONAL	' THE DOZEN
SATURDAY	EASY 7 MI AND STRETCH	EASY 3 MI AND STRETCH	5 MIN ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS, STRETCH CALVES
SUNDAY	LONG 16-18 MI, LAST 4 MI FAST FINISH	LONG 16-18 MI, LAST 4 MI FAST FINISH	LEGS UP THE WALL
	PLAN A WEEKLY MILEAGE: 47	PLAN B WEEKLY MILEAGE: 34	1 1 1
WEEK 10	PLAN A	PLAN B	EXTRA
WEEK 10 MONDAY	PLAN A OFF	PLAN B OFF	EXTRA 20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
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MONDAY	OFF	OFF	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
MONDAY	OFF 6 MI RUN AND 4 STRIDES 8 X 800 WITH 60"R @ HM PACE AND WORKING DOWN	OFF 4 MI RUN AND 4 STRIDES 2 MI WARMUP, 8 X 800 WITH 60"R @ HM PACE AND WORKING DOWN TO FASTER, 4 X 20 SECOND	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS STRIDES
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY	OFF 6 MI RUN AND 4 STRIDES 8 X 800 WITH 60"R @ HM PACE AND WORKING DOWN TO FASTER, 4 X 20 SECOND STRIDE	OFF 4 MI RUN AND 4 STRIDES 2 MI WARMUP, 8 X 800 WITH 60"R @ HM PACE AND WORKING DOWN TO FASTER, 4 X 20 SECOND STRIDE, 1 MI WARMDOWN	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS STRIDES BAND WALKS/ 2 X 1 MIN PLANK VARIATION
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY	OFF 6 MI RUN AND 4 STRIDES 8 X 800 WITH 60"R @ HM PACE AND WORKING DOWN TO FASTER, 4 X 20 SECOND STRIDE 6 MI EASY	OFF 4 MI RUN AND 4 STRIDES 2 MI WARMUP, 8 X 800 WITH 60"R @ HM PACE AND WORKING DOWN TO FASTER, 4 X 20 SECOND STRIDE, 1 MI WARMDOWN 3 MI EASY	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS STRIDES BAND WALKS/ 2 X 1 MIN PLANK VARIATION 10 MIN JASYOGA YOUR CHOICE
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	OFF 6 MI RUN AND 4 STRIDES 8 X 800 WITH 60"R @ HM PACE AND WORKING DOWN TO FASTER, 4 X 20 SECOND STRIDE 6 MI EASY OPTIONAL DAY OFF RUNNING	OFF 4 MI RUN AND 4 STRIDES 2 MI WARMUP, 8 X 800 WITH 60"R @ HM PACE AND WORKING DOWN TO FASTER, 4 X 20 SECOND STRIDE, 1 MI WARMDOWN 3 MI EASY DAY OFF RUNNING, XT OPTIONAL	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS STRIDES BAND WALKS/ 2 X 1 MIN PLANK VARIATION 10 MIN JASYOGA YOUR CHOICE THE DOZEN 5 MINS ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS,

WEEK 11	PLAN A	PLAN B	EXTRA
MONDAY	OFF	OFF	20-30 MIN CORE/ HIPS
TUESDAY	5 MI RUN AND 2 STRIDES	3 MI RUN AND 2 STRIDES	STRIDES
WEDNESDAY	2 X 1 MI AT MARATHON PACE, 90"R THEN 6 X 30" ON, 90" OFF FARTLEK	1 MI WARMUP, 2 X 1 MI AT MARATHON PACE, 90"R THEN 6 X 30" ON, 90" OFF FARTLEK, 1 MI WARMDOWN	2 MIN BAND WALKS
THURSDAY	65 MIN EASY	30 MIN EASY	10 MIN JASYOGA YOUR CHOICE
FRIDAY	DAY OFF, TRAVEL	DAY OFF, TRAVEL	15 MIN ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS/CALVES
SATURDAY	4 MI AND A GOOD STRETCH	2 MI AND A GOOD STRETCH	5 MIN ROLL GLUTES/HIP/THIGHS, LEGS UP THE WALL
SUNDAY	MARATHON RACE DAY!	MARATHON RACE DAY!	LEGS UP THE WALL
	PLAN A WEEKLY MILEAGE: 50.2	PLAN B WEEKLY MILEAGE: 36.2	



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