



# **BOSTON MARATHON**

## Monday April 20th, 2026

Boston is a difficult race to enter. The majority of runners have to qualify and the qualification time standards are often beyond the abilities of most runners. As an International Travel Partner to the Boston Marathon, 2:09 Events Ltd can guarantee a very limited number of invitation places for non-qualifiers. Non-qualifiers start behind the qualified runners but there are no time requirements to use one of these places, however, you do need to be capable of finishing the race inside 6 hours from the gun to receive a medal and an official time. The latter is particularly important if you are trying to complete your Abbott Marathon Majors because even if you do receive a medal, without an official time you will not receive credit for your multi-star finisher medal.

As we have so few places all our non-qualifier, guaranteed places are dependent on booking one of our travel packages, which includes return American Airlines flights, four nights' accommodation in the excellent Langham hotel and airport transfers.

There is no entry only option with non-qualifier places. You can extend your stay in Boston or combine the race with another trip in the USA but there is a four-night minimum at our hotel to access one of our 2026 Boston entries. An update in our contract with BAA this year means that as a UK agent we can only sell our places to UK based runners.

As we expect this tour to be heavily oversubscribed, we are offering many of our places through a lottery system. We do not put them on public sale. You are receiving this information as you pre-registered your interest in the 2026 Boston Marathon. We will send you a link when we are open for bookings to allow you to complete our booking form.

Completing the booking does not commit you to the trip, nor does it mean you will be offered one of our packages. There is no charge for completing the booking form. You can book up to two places on one booking but we will not accept multiple applications from the same name or address or applications for more than two entries. From those who complete the booking form we will draw out the names until we have used all our available places. We will send the successful runners a link to pay a deposit. Payment of the deposit will guarantee your place and entry into the 2026 Boston Marathon with one of our entries. If you do not pay the deposit within 24 hours the booking option will go to another runner. We will not chase you so please check your emails carefully including your junk.

ITINERARY - our basic package is based on return American Airlines flights between London Heathrow and Boston Logan airport, return transfers between the airport and hotel and four night's room-only accommodation at the Langham Hotel which is a short walk from Boston Common.

**Friday 17 April**: Depart from London Heathrow on American Airlines flight AA0109 leaving at 08:55 and arriving in Boston 11:20 local time. On arrival meet your 2:09 Events representative, who will be on the same flight, for a private transfer to your hotel, the Langham Hotel Boston

Saturday 18 April: If you want to alleviate your jet-lag there are a number of options for a Saturday morning run. You could enter the Boston Common 5K. This fast, flat mass participation event starts and finishes ten minutes' walk from our hotel. It uses part of the marathon course and passes under the race finish line. If you are a Park Run fanatic you can add Boston to your record at one of the city's three Saturday morning events: Jamaica Pond, Danehy Park or Cutler Park. Finally you could just run out through the Common and along the Charles River where you will see hundreds of other runners putting in their final runs before Monday's race. During the morning, we will escort you to the Boston Marathon expo at Copley Plaza to pick-up the running packs and do some shopping. It is a 30 minute walk from the hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure in Boston.

**Sunday 19 April**: At leisure in Boston, visit the expo. In previous years we have organized a group trip to watch the afternoon's Boston Red Sox baseball match at Fenway Park. Prices will depend on the available seats. Please let us know if you are interested in going to the game and we'll organize tickets.

**Monday 20 April**: Buses to the race start at Hopkinton depart from nearby Boston Common. The bus to the start is included for all of our

entrants – spectators cannot go to the start. We will walk runners the short distance from the hotel to the bus departure point. Spectators can join us on the Boston subway to go out to the Hills Newton between the 16 and 17 mile-point on the route before they take on Heartbreak Hill– after you've seen your runner you can jump back on the train to see them again at the finish and then walk back with them to the hotel. Join us in the evening for a drink in the hotel bar so that you can share your stories and celebrate your run.

**Tuesday 21 April**: Morning and afternoon at leisure then transfer back to Logan airport for American Airlines flight AA0108 leaving Boston at 20:20 local time and arriving at London Heathrow at 07:50 on Wednesday morning.



#### THE LANGHAM BOSTON



The Langham is a luxurious 5-star hotel housed in the former Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. It is wonderfully located in the heart of the city overlooking Norman B Leventhal Park and just a five-minute walk to Boston Common where buses to the marathon start leave on Monday morning. Both the Marathon Expo and the Marathon finish line are less than a mile from the hotel and there are numerous restaurants and shops within easy walking distance of the Langham. The hotel features an indoor swimming pool, 24-hour fitness centre and excellent gourmet dining options including Grana, an Italian family-friendly restaurant and the Fed, a cocktail bar which also serves craft beers and a range of bar meals.



#### PRICES (per person for runners)

PRICES ARE PER PERSON	*TWIN/DOUBLE	SINGLE
RUNNER	£3099	£3999
SUPPORTER/PARTNER	£2499	£3399
EXTRA NIGHTS	£260	£480

### Additional Optional items:

\*Twin/Double prices mean there are two of you in the room, either sharing a King size bed (Double) or two beds in the room (Twin). You need to double the price above per person to see the room cost. If you are travelling alone then the single price applies. Triple and Quad occupancy of the rooms is available for an additional fee on top of the twin/double price of £160 for each additional person in the room for a fournight stay.

#### • The cost of entry is included in the runner package prices

Our runners package includes guaranteed non-qualifier entry to the 2026 Bank of American Boston Marathon, return economy flights on American Airline flights between London Heathrow and Boston Logan Airport, return transfers between the hotel and airport and fournights' accommodation at the Langham Boston Common on a room only basis. Airline ticket upgrades are available on request. Please note that our airline seats are group seats that require check in at the airport prior to travel, you will not be able to check in online and you will not able to confirm a particular seat prior to check in.

A non-refundable deposit is required to secure your place on this tour, We will only ask for a deposit when we offer you a place on the tour. Completing the booking form does not guarantee you a place or obligate you to take up an offer.

Runner Deposit £1000 Supporter/partner Deposit £500

The final balance is 12 weeks before travel, which is approximately January 26, 2026.

Once the final balance has been taken and your entry has been confirmed by the Boston Athletic Association (BAA), the package is **100% non-refundable**. If you pull out of the trip prior to confirmation of the place, for whatever reason, be it injury, illness or other commitments, **you will lose your deposit**. After the place is confirmed and you have paid your final balance, you will lose everything if you withdraw from the trip.

These are non-negotiable terms and conditions. If you are not comfortable with them please do not sign up for the trip.

This is an expensive trip and we strongly advise you to take out travel insurance to protect you should injury or illness prevent you from taking up your place.