



Dunstable Road Runners

Half Marathon Challenge Route Description

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1. From start, exit sports field through gate, TL onto school drive and continue through school gate. TR onto FP, continue ahead to junction, TL on FP then TR onto FP. Continue ahead on FP into close and then past school. Continue ahead to road, carefully cross road to gate and FP opposite. At FP crossing TL onto gravel path. Continue ahead on gravel path to and through barrier on R.
1 Mile Cross small car park to pedestrian crossing.
2. **WITH EXTREME CAUTION** cross road to grass area opposite. Continue ahead on grass area up hill, keeping to path close to fence on L. Continue ahead to emerge onto gravel path with wire fence on right. Continue ahead on gravel path passing gravel path entering from L. Continue ahead on gravel path passing two car parks. Continue on gravel path with wooden posts on L to sculpture at end of gravel path.
2 Miles
3. Continue ahead onto FP with fence on L. Continue ahead, through gate, ignore FP ahead between trees, follow FP HR to fenced corner of wood. Continue ahead with wood and fence on L.
3 Miles Wood changes to hedge on L, continue slightly down hill to gate.
4. Through gate follow defined FP to L between hedgerows slightly uphill then downhill. Continue ahead, ignoring FP to L, through wooded area to bungalow and fence on L. Continue ahead past bungalow ignoring FP to L, through gate. Continue directly ahead onto FP then onto road.
5. Carefully cross road and turn L onto FP parallel to road. As road bears left, continue ahead onto Studham Lane and continue ahead on road. Continue ahead, ignoring FP to L, with high fence (zoo perimeter) on R to corner of high fence, GR014163.
4 Miles
6. At corner of high fence TR onto FP and continue ahead with high fence on R. Continue ahead on FP past end of fence and continue ahead into wood. Ignoring FP to R, continue ahead and emerge from woods onto wide FP with hedgerow on L and open field on R.
7. Continue ahead into dip with wood on L. Continue uphill into woods ignoring gap to L. Follow FP HL into wood on well defined FP. Continue ahead on FP ignoring FP to L & R to emerge from wood with farm on L and fence on R. Continue ahead and emerge from woods onto Church Road. (Church is visible to L.)
5 Miles
8. TR and continue ahead on road to road junction. TR onto Valley Road and continue on road to dip in road. After dip turn HR onto FP avoiding barrier and continue HL up hill. Emerge onto Common Road, carefully cross road and then continue ahead onto gravel drive, GR015153. Continue on drive to end and onto FP ahead with hedgerow on L, field on R.
6 Miles
9. Continue ahead on FP, to gate and FP on left (20 mile and Marathon split point) and TL through gate. Continue ahead on FP to gate. Through gate continue HR across field to gate. Through gate to checkpoint and drink station. **Please ensure your number is recorded otherwise you will be disqualified.**
10. Continue ahead on gravel drive to Common Road. Carefully cross road to FP opposite and continue HR on FP downhill, with school visible ahead, to corner of old school house. Passing corner of school house continue HR on grass path through trees to playing field, continue ahead to small car park on opposite side of road, Dunstable Road. Carefully cross road to car park.
7 Miles

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11. Continue across car park to FP, onto FP and TL, ignoring paths ahead and to R. Continue ahead, parallel to road, to gap and road, Byslips Road. Carefully cross road to concrete road opposite and checkpoint. **Please ensure your number is recorded otherwise you will be disqualified.** Continue ahead on road to sewerage works gates, GR 032158.
12. At gates TL up hill with sewerage works on R. Continue ahead on FP uphill to woods on L and FP on L. TL into woods follow FP ahead, ignoring FP to R, to emerge from woods at corner of field. Continue ahead and almost immediately TL onto FP into woods. Continue ahead with fence on L, through woods to road, Byslips Road. BEWARE TREE ROOTS.
- 8 Miles
13. WITH EXTREME CAUTION TL onto road and carefully cross road to opposite side. After gate on R, TR at gap in hedge onto FP. Follow narrow FP with house on L, emerging to cross field to corner of woods. Follow FP with woods on R to end of woods. Continue ahead across field to distant gap in woods. Follow FP through woods to FP junction. TL onto FP with house fence on R and continue ahead to clearing. TR and continue ahead on to road, Holywell Close, GR 022169 and checkpoint. **Please ensure your number is recorded otherwise you will be disqualified.**
14. Continue ahead on road, Holywell Road, ignoring Oak Way on R. Continue ahead to 2nd Oak Way and TR into Oak Way. Continue ahead onto Woodland Rise on FP on L to FP on L between houses, TL onto FP. Continue ahead between houses emerging with woods on R. Continue ahead to corner, TL to gate and TR to road, Dunstable Road.
- 9 Miles
15. Carefully cross road to FP opposite. Through gate, continue ahead with hedgerow on L to gate ahead. Through gate continue ahead with hedge now on R, and through gate into Church graveyard. Pass through graveyard with Church on R to Church entrance gates. Through gates continue HL to road and carefully cross road into "Sallowsprings" private road, GR 012181.
- 10 Miles
16. Follow "Sallowsprings" to end and into woods with communications mast on L. Follow FP with woods on L and hedge on R to service road. Cross road follow FP with woods on L, ignoring gates into wood to gate ahead. Through gate TR with hedgerow on R, continue to gate. Continue ahead through gate with fence on R and copse on L, emerging with sculpture ahead.
- 11 Miles
17. Continue ahead and onto gravel path, continuing on gravel path towards car park. Continue ahead on gravel path past 2nd car park, eventually to junction of gravel paths.
18. Continue ahead on left gravel path to its end and onto path between fences. With extreme caution continue on footpath with trees on right steeply downhill to road.
- 12 Miles
19. WITH EXTREME CAUTION cross road to small car park opposite and through fence onto gravel path. Continue on gravel path to 2nd paths crossing, TR onto FP to fence and road. Carefully cross road, continue ahead on FP past Weatherfield School on L, TL into Hillcroft then carefully cross road and TR into Aldbanks. TL into school and TR onto sports field to finish.
- 13 Miles

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