The goal of the plan isn’t to get you across the finish line, it’s to get the best version of you across the finish line.
Before diving straight into the training plan, read all of the material to ensure you get the most out of it.

This plan is built to adapt to your experience level, but it’s also uniquely flexible to your needs. Here’s what you should know to get the most out of the Nike Run Club Training Plan:

It’s not just about distance

This training plan is built to help you to maximize your efforts on race day through Speed, Endurance and Recovery.

This plan works for you

Your schedule varies. So does the weather and how you feel, but here are a few things to keep in mind as you modify this plan to your needs:

– Speed and Endurance Runs are essential parts of the plan to maximize your training.
– You have four Recovery days – use them to break up your Speed and Endurance Runs to avoid doing Speed and Endurance Runs on back-to-back days.
– Use Recovery days as you choose. You can run a few miles, cross train or take a rest. We recommend running on two of your four Recovery days. Stay within the recommended distance ranges during Endurance and Recovery Runs.

Training starts when you start

This plan was designed around an 18-week schedule for maximum results. It was built to adapt to your experience level and intended to be uniquely flexible to your needs as you prepare to tackle the 2019 Bank of America Chicago Marathon. You’re in control of what you put into the program.

Tools to take you farther

– You ran those miles. Now claim them. Share your progress with the Nike Running App to get cheers, motivation and encouragement from your friends.
– The Nike Training Club App is a great way to add cross-training to your schedule.
This plan includes three types of workout activities each week. All three are important to get the fittest, strongest and fastest version of you to the finish line.

**SPEED**

Building strength through speed training is important as you prepare. Throughout this plan you’ll be introduced to a variety of speed workouts and drills that will make you faster.

**ENDURANCE**

You need endurance training to help prepare your body and mind to go the distance on race day. You will work on endurance with weekly Long Runs.

**RECOVERY**

Recovering from your workout days is just as important as the workouts themselves. Use these days to recover based on how you feel. Either take the day off, try a NTC workout or go for a few Recovery miles.
Throughout the plan, you will see references to different paces you should aim to maintain during specific workouts. Over the course of your training, you will run using different pace targets. Knowing your pace targets will make your speed work easier.

Treat each pace target as the middle of a range. You may train slightly above or below these paces. They are not exact paces and you are not a robot.

The chart on page 8 will help you understand which pace you should aim to run during each session.

To get started, you’ll need to identify the row of pace targets that is right for you. You can find the right row based on any of the following:

- Use a recent 5K, 10K, Half-Marathon or Marathon time, if you have run one. By “recent” we mean in the last month or two.
- Use the Nike Running App and go on a few runs to determine your average pace. This will be your Recovery day pace.
- If you already run often, you could make an educated guess based on your current fitness.

Whichever one you use, this will be your starting point to find your row of pace targets within the Pace Chart.
**FOR EXAMPLE**

If your last race was a 27:00 minute 5K, find that 5K time under the 5K column on the Pace Chart and slide across the row left or right to find your other pace targets. In this case, the pace targets would be as follows:

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Start with your 5k Best / Avg Mile Pace and read left or right.

**ANOTHER EXAMPLE**

If your Mile Best time is 9:30, find that Mile Best time on the Pace Chart and slide across to see your other average mile pace targets. Here, your pace targets would be as follows:

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Start with your Mile Best and read right for your other pace targets.

**THINGS TO KNOW**

When you have your range of pace targets, it helps to understand a few things about how you will use them:

During your training there will be days you may be a little ahead of pace, and other days a little behind. Remember that the paces are only to be used as a guide. You will have good days and bad days so be flexible with your expectations. Hopefully, you will be increasing your fitness each week and your paces will increase in speed as you go.

When this plan is over and you head out for race day be confident in all the work you have done. It is that work that will take you to new fitness levels, faster paces, this starting line and the all the ones beyond.
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This glossary elaborates on the running-specific terms you’ll see referenced throughout this plan. It’s important to understand the different types of runs that this plan includes in order to get the most out of the full training journey.

**Workouts**

**Speed**
The best way to improve your fastest pace is to work on it for brief periods in a series of speed intervals. They can be the same length and pace with the same amount of recovery time, or can involve various distances, paces and recovery periods. Long intervals, Fartlek, Tempo and Hill Runs are all Speed workouts. See Types of Runs below for definitions of these.

**Endurance**
Your weekly Endurance Run is a long distance run at a comfortable pace. It is an essential part of your training that helps the body and mind adapt to increased distances. It also helps you get familiar with the physical and mental challenges that you might face during a race. This run should be run as a Progression Run. See Types of Runs for a definition of Progression Run.

**Recovery**
Recovery is just as important as your hard workouts. Listen to what your body needs on recovery days, whether that means taking the day off completely, cross-training with the Nike Running App or running a few Recovery miles. Ideally, at least two of your Recovery days should be spent running. Recovery Runs increase your stamina and help you recover at the highest quality possible after intense training. They should be run as Progression Runs. See Types of Runs below for a definition of Progression Run.

**Types of Runs**

**Progression**
Progression Runs improve stamina and allow the body to adapt to the stress of running. Build your pace over the course of each run by starting at a slower than Recovery Pace and finishing at a faster than Recovery Pace. Over the course of the run you will average your Recovery Pace. Your Endurance and Recovery Runs should always be run as Progression Runs.

**Track**
Track refers to a session that includes a series of speed intervals. Ideally, this type of a workout is done on a track as the surface allows you to play with faster paces with precise measurements, but it can be done just about anywhere. You may choose to use city blocks, traffic lights or even trees as interval markers.

**Fartlek**
Fartleks work on speed and strength by alternating distances and paces during a continuous run. An example Fartlek workout structure could be one minute running easy followed by one minute running hard, repeated for a certain amount of minutes, miles or alternating every city block.

**Split Intervals**
Split Intervals refers to running two different paces in one interval. For example, running a 400-meter interval, with the first 200 meters easy and the last 200 meters fast. This effectively divides the interval into two parts.

**Tempo**
Tempo is a hard but controlled pace that can be run as long intervals or a steady run of 1-10 miles. The purpose of a Tempo Run is to build mental and physical endurance and to become comfortable with being uncomfortable.

**Hill**
Hill workouts develop speed and form. It takes extra effort to run uphill so you do not need to run as fast as you would on a flat section. While running uphill, remain in control of your breathing. Don’t lean too far forward. A light lean with the chin leading the chest is enough. Uphills are a great way to develop speed and strength with minimal pounding on the legs.

**Turnarounds**
Turnarounds are practiced during short intervals. Rather than stopping at the end of an interval, run through the line and turn around as quickly and safely as you can to start the next repeat.

**Types of Paces**

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IF YOUR SCHEDULE DOES NOT MATCH THE TRAINING SCHEDULE,

Then adjust the training schedule to your needs. For best results, each week should include the three key workouts—speed, endurance and recovery. Prioritize speed and endurance workouts and make sure you recover intelligently.

IF YOU DON’T KNOW HOW TO FIGURE OUT YOUR PACE,

Then experiment until you find it. When you’re out running, you run on feel. You have different gears whether you realize it or not. Be patient, pay attention and have fun experimenting with your comfort level while running at different speeds across different distances. Use the Nike Running App while you run to keep track of your paces, and use at our pace chart guidelines on page 06 to find your pace targets.

IF YOU’RE TIRED,

Figure out why. Feeling fatigued is normal as your training progresses, but make sure you’re supporting yourself in all other aspects of your life: get enough sleep, eat right, hydrate properly, respect recovery days and wear the proper shoes. Sometimes the best training is to focus on recovery and rest.

IF YOU LACK MOTIVATION,

Look for inspiration. Even where you don’t expect to find it—like on a run that you don’t want to do. Go out for ten minutes and if you don’t feel like running anymore then come back. Just make sure you come back running.

IF YOU HAVE A TERRIBLE RUN,

Move on to the next one. Some runs are just terrible—sometimes there’s no reason, sometimes there is. Take a moment to see if there’s a reason and learn something about yourself if there is. Being comfortable with a bad run is just as important as the joy of a great run.

IF YOU’RE HURT,

Stop running. There is a difference between hurting and being hurt. It’s essential to listen to and learn from your body throughout your training. Sometimes missing miles in the present lets you run better miles in the future.

IF YOU ARE GOING TO RACE,

Give yourself time to recover—beforehand and afterwards. You may want to back off in terms of distance or pace a few days prior to the race. Be sure to give yourself a few days of recovery after it’s over too (regardless of whether or not you consider it a successful race).

EVERYONE’S TRAINING JOURNEY IS DIFFERENT. BUT THERE ARE SOME RECURRING CHALLENGES AND QUESTIONS THAT MANY RUNNERS ENCOUNTER ALONG THE WAY. HERE’S HOW TO UNDERSTAND AND OVERCOME THESE COMMON HURDLES ON YOUR ROAD TO RACE DAY.
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### Week by Week Overview

**A Starting Line**

6.9.19-6.15.19
This week you will begin your 18-week journey with a series of runs and light workouts that will introduce you to the training plan.

**Set Good Habits**

6.16.19-6.22.19
Time to develop new habits. This week draws special attention to the how and why of the training. Work on building stamina and proper pacing on workout days.

**Warm Up**

6.23.19-6.29.19
You are hitting your stride. Some days you will feel great. Other days you will feel tired. Both types of days will show you that you are putting in the work and are on track to get where you need to be.

**Develop Consistency**

7.30.19-7.6.19
In your fourth week of training, you will begin to feel a rhythm to your running. The secret to running well is consistency.

**Learn to Focus**

7.7.19-7.13.19
Training this week may tax you both physically and mentally. Be focused in the moment and by preparing ahead of time for each day’s workout.

**Build Up Strength**

7.14.19-7.20.19
The training so far has had its greatest effect on your strength. This week you will test that by taking on more strength work.

**Push Endurance**

7.21.19-7.27.19
Your endurance has improved. This week you will put it to work. Longer intervals, longer runs and a longer Long Run are on the menu.

**Pick Up the Pace**

7.28.19-8.3.19
This week, you’re going to get comfortable with being uncomfortable. Break out of the paces you’ve set for yourself and try experimenting with new paces that test your limits.

**Time to Evolve**

8.4.19-8.10.19
You are a different athlete than you were when this started. Now it’s time to do the work to become a stronger, faster and better athlete.

**Look Ahead**

8.11.19-8.17.19
This week, training shifts from foundational running and base workouts to getting race ready.

**Run Confident**

8.18.19-8.24.19
You have handled it all. Long Runs. Speed Runs. Progression Runs. It’s time to run these miles confidently.

**Embrace Fast**

8.25.19-8.31.19
You have been getting faster each week. Now it’s time to be as fast as you can. This week you will be working on both your speed and strength.

**Move Ahead**

9.1.19-9.7.19
This week is a great opportunity to look ahead to the athlete you want to be. Be that athlete now. Take on some faster paces and consider adjusting your race goals to match the runner you’ve become.

**Ready To Run**

You are fit, strong and ready to take on any workout on any day. The miles will start to pass by more quickly. Make sure you appreciate what you have done and what you are doing.

**Sharpen Every Step**

9.22.19-9.28.19
You don’t taper. You sharpen. This week the speed picks up but the recovery picks up even more. It’s quality running and quality recovery from now on.

**Maintain Your Work**

9.29.19-10.5.19
You have done the training. Now it’s time to maintain this body of work. As the intensity dial itself down it’s important to focus on sleep, hydration, diet and fun.

**The Starting Line**

10.6.19-10.13.19
You’ve made it. Run strong and confidently this week. Use what you have learned and the progress you have made. You are ready to take the line.
Sample Plan Breakdown

Combining Speed, Endurance and Recovery, this 18-week training plan was designed to adapt to your experience level and intended to be uniquely flexible, allowing you to get the most out of your training. Use this as a visual guide and get ready to tackle the Bank of America Chicago Marathon.

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**SPEED — TRACK**

800m / 4:00 min at 10k pace
(4x) 400m / 2:00 min at 5k pace
800m / 4:00 min at 10k pace
2-minute recovery after everything

**RECOVERY**

Get the most out of today with a 3-7 mile run that lets you recover as efficiently as possible. Build your speed gradually so your first mile is your slowest and your last is your fastest.

**ENDURANCE — 6 MILES**

Running this distance consistently will help prepare the body and mind to go the distance on race day.

In these early weeks, the goal is to get your body used to longer distances. Don’t worry too much about the pace; it should feel comfortable. After the run, look over your mile splits on the Nike Running App, which will serve as a great benchmark for future runs.

**SPEED — TEMPO**

1 mile Easy run
1.5 mile Tempo run
1 mile Easy run

**RECOVERY**

We recommend recovering with a 2-5 mile Progression Run. Start slow and quicken your pace over the course of your run.

**RECOVERY**

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

**RECOVERY**

Give your body what it craves today by running a few easy miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.
Time to develop new habits. This week draws special attention to the how and why of the training. Work on building stamina and proper pacing on workout days.

**SPEED**

**TRACK**

- 3:00 min at 10k pace
- 2:30 min at 10k pace
- 2:00 min at 5k pace
- 1:30 min at 5k pace
- 1:00 min at Mile pace
- 0:30 sec as fast as you can

90-second recovery between each interval.

**ENDURANCE**

**7-8 MILES**

Get ready to go the distance on race day with your week’s longest run.
In these early weeks, the goal is to get your body used to longer distances. Don’t worry too much about the pace, it should feel comfortable. After the run, look over your mile splits on the Nike Running App, which will serve as a great benchmark for future runs.

**SPEED**

**TEMPO**

2-3 mile run at your Tempo pace.

**RECOVERY**

Recover from your last effort with a 3-7 mile Progression Run. Start slow and quicken your pace over the course of your run.

Easy does it. Run a few Recovery miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off.

The purpose of today is to recover. Try a 2-5 mile run that gradually builds in speed so your last mile is your fastest mile.

Go for a few Recovery miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off. Give your body whatever it craves today.
You are hitting your stride. Some days you will feel great. Other days you will feel tired. Both types of days will show you that you are putting in the work and are on track to get where you need to be. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

**WARM UP**

**RECOVERY**

Focus on control as your recovery from your last workout. 3-7 Recovery miles should do the trick. Gradually build speed from your first mile to your last.

**SPEED**

**TRACK**

(2x) 200 meters at 5k pace
(4x) 400 meters at Mile pace
(2x) 200 meters at 5k pace
(4x) 400 meters at Mile pace

60-second recovery between each 200-meter interval, 2-minute recovery between each 400-meter interval.

**RECOVERY**

Recovery miles are as important as your Speed and Endurance Runs. Try running 2-5 miles progressively today. Start slow and gradually build your speed so your last mile is faster than your first.

**ENDURANCE**

**6 - 7 MILES**

Running this distance consistently will help prepare the body and mind to go the distance on race day.

In these early weeks, the goal is to get your body used to longer distances. Don’t worry too much about the pace; it should feel comfortable. After the run, look over your mile splits on the Nike Running App, which will serve as a great benchmark for future runs.

**RECOVERY**

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

**SPEED**

**TEMPO**

(8x) 100-meter Strides
20-second rest between each Stride
3.5 mile Tempo run
5-minute rest
(8x) 100-meter Strides
20-second rest between each Stride.

**RECOVERY**

Give your body what it craves today by running a few easy miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.
In your fourth week of training, you will now begin to feel a rhythm to your running. The secret to running well is consistency. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

6.30.19 – 7.6.19

**Develop Consistency**

Get the most out of today with a 3-7 mile run that lets you recover as efficiently as possible. Build your speed gradually so your first mile is your slowest and your last is your fastest.

**SPEED — TRACK**

(25x) 200 meters at 5k pace
60-second recovery between each 200-meter interval.

**Endurance — 9 - 10 miles**

This is your longest run of the week. Run this distance consistently to build your endurance for race day.

In these early weeks, the goal is to get your body used to longer distances. Don’t worry too much about the pace, it should feel comfortable.

After the run, look over your mile splits on the Nike Running App, which will serve as a great benchmark for future runs.

The purpose of today’s 2-5 mile run is to recover after your last workout. Gradually build up speed so your last mile is your fastest.

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

Give your body what it craves today by running a few easy miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

1 mile at your Tempo pace
(2x) 800 meters at 5k pace
1 mile at Tempo pace
2:30-minute recovery between each interval, except Strides.
Training this week may tax you both physically and mentally. Be focused in the moment and by preparing ahead of time for each day’s workout. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

**SPEED — TRACK**

800 meters at 10k pace
800 meters at Tempo pace
800 meters at 5k pace
800 meters at Tempo pace
400 meters at Mile pace
800 meters at Tempo pace
800 meters (2x) 200 meters at Tempo pace
800 meters at Tempo pace

**ENDURANCE — 8 MILES**

This is your longest run of the week. Run this distance consistently to build your endurance for race day.

In these early weeks, the goal is to get your body used to longer distances. Don’t worry too much about the pace, it should feel comfortable. After the run, look over your mile splits on the Nike Running App, which will serve as a great benchmark for future runs.

**RECOVERY**

The purpose of today’s 2-5 mile run is to recover after your last workout. Gradually build up speed so your last mile is your fastest.

Easy does it. Run a few Recovery miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off.

**SPEED — TEMPO**

Follow this time-based interval sequence, alternating from an easy to a hard pace without stopping.

1-min easy pace, 1-min hard pace
2-min easy, 2-min hard
3-min easy, 3-min hard
1-min easy, 1-min hard
2-min easy, 2-min hard
3-min easy, 3-min hard

**RECOVERY**

Recovery miles are as important as your Speed and Endurance Runs. Try running 2-5 miles progressively today. Start slow and gradually build your speed so your last mile is faster than your first.

Go for a few Recovery miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off. Give your body whatever it craves today.
Build up strength

The training so far has had its greatest effect on your strength. This week you will test that by taking on more strength work. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles.

To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

7.14.19 – 7.20.19

**SPEED**

**TRACK**

(16x) 400 meters alternating between your 10k pace and your 5k pace.

Follow each 400-meter interval with 2 minutes of rest.

**RECOVERY**

Focus on control as your recover from your last workout. 3-7 Recovery miles should do the trick. Gradually build speed from your first mile to your last.

**ENDURANCE**

**9 - 11 MILES**

Your longest run yet. Run this distance consistently to prepare your mind and body for race day.

Now that you’ve made it this far, start to pay more attention to the quality of your pace over the course of your runs. Try to maintain a pace that is 60-90 seconds slower than your goal pace for race day.

**RECOVERY**

Recovery miles are as important as your Speed and Endurance Runs. Try running 2-5 miles progressively today. Start slow and gradually build your speed so your last mile is faster than your first.

**RECOVERY**

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

**SPEED**

**TEMPO**

Run up a short hill at your Mile pace for 30 seconds. Repeat 5x.
Run up a long hill at your 10k pace for 45 seconds. Repeat 5x.
Run up a short hill at your Mile pace for 30 seconds. Repeat 5x.
Easy jog back downhill between intervals.

**RECOVERY**

Go for a few Progression miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off. Give your body what it craves today.
Your endurance has improved. This week you will put it to work. Longer intervals, longer runs and a longer Long Run are on the menu. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

7.21.19 – 7.27.19

**SPEED**

**TRACK**

- 1000 meters at 10k pace
- 500 meters at 5k pace
- 500 meters at 5k pace
- 200 meters at Marathon pace
- 400 meters at 5k pace
- 400 meters at 5k pace
- (5x) 200 meters at Mile pace

90 seconds of recovery after each interval.

**RECOVERY**

Get the most out of today with a 3-7 mile run that lets you recover as efficiently as possible. Build your speed gradually so your first mile is your slowest and your last is your fastest.

**ENDURANCE**

**12 MILES**

Running this distance consistently will help prepare the body and mind to go the distance on race day.

In these early weeks, the goal is to get your body used to longer distances. Don’t worry too much about the pace; it should feel comfortable. After the run, look over your mile splits on the Nike Running App, which will serve as a great benchmark for future runs.

**RECOVERY**

We recommend recovering with a 2-5 mile Progression Run. Start slow and quicken your pace over the course of your run.

**RECOVERY**

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

**SPEED**

**TEMPO**

- (8x) 100m strides
- (2x) 1200m at 10k pace
- (1x) 1200m at Marathon pace
- (2x) 1200m at 10k pace
- (8x) 100m strides

3 minutes of recovery between each interval.

**RECOVERY**

Give your body what it craves today by running a few easy miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.
This week, you’re going to get comfortable with being uncomfortable. Break out of the paces you’ve set for yourself and try experimenting with new paces that test your limits. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

7.28.19 – 8.3.19

**Pick Up The Pace**

This week, you’re going to get comfortable with being uncomfortable. Break out of the paces you’ve set for yourself and try experimenting with new paces that test your limits. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

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**Speed - Track**

- 1000 meters at 10k pace
- 500 meters at 5k pace
- 500 meters at 5k pace
- 200 meters at Mile pace
- 400 meters at 5k pace
- 400 meters at 5k pace
- (5x) 200 meters at Mile pace

90 seconds of recovery after each interval.

**Endurance - 13-14 Miles**

Your longest run yet. Run this distance consistently to prepare your mind and body for race day.

Now that you’ve made it this far, start to pay more attention to the quality of your pace over the course of your runs. Try to maintain a pace that is 60-90 seconds slower than your goal pace for race day.

**Speed - Tempo**

- (4x) 150-meter Strides
- 5 mile Tempo
- (4x) 150-meter Strides

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**Recovery**

Recover from your last effort with a 5-9 mile Progression Run. Start slow and quicken your pace over the course of your run.

Recover from your last effort with a 5-9 mile Progression Run. Start slow and quicken your pace over the course of your run.

Endurance - 13-14 Miles

The purpose of today is to recover. Try a 2-5 mile run that gradually builds in speed so your last mile is your fastest mile.

Easy does it. Run a few Recovery miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off.

The purpose of today is to recover. Try a 2-5 mile run that gradually builds in speed so your last mile is your fastest mile.

Go for a few Recovery miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off. Give your body whatever it craves today.
You are a different athlete than you were when this started. Now it’s time to do the work to become a stronger, faster and better athlete. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles.

To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

### SPEED - TRACK

- (4x) 100 meters at Mile pace
- 1000 meters at 5k pace
- 400 meters at 10k pace
- (4x) 100 meters at Mile pace
- 400 meters at 10k pace
- 1000 meters at 5k pace

(4x) 100 meters at Mile pace as turnarounds 90-second recovery after each interval.

### RECOVERY

Focus on control as your recover from your last workout. 5-9 Recovery miles should do the trick. Gradually build speed from your first mile to your last.

### ENDURANCE - 15-16 MILES

Running this distance consistently will help prepare the body and mind to go the distance on race day.

Remember to pay more attention to the quality of your pace over the course of your runs. Try to maintain a pace that is 60-90 seconds slower than your goal pace for race day.

### RECOVERY

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

### SPEED - TEMPO

Run 6 miles at your Tempo pace. Push yourself up any hills along your route, but if you’re on flat terrain then push yourself for 60 seconds every 5 minutes.

### RECOVERY

Recovery miles are as important as your Speed and Endurance Runs. Try running 2-5 miles progressively today. Start slow and gradually build your speed so your last mile is faster than your first.

### RECOVERY

Give your body what it craves today by running a few easy miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.
This week, training shifts from foundational running and base workouts to getting race ready. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

8.11.19 – 8.17.19

**LOOK AHEAD**

Get ready to go the distance on race day with your week’s longest run. Remember to pay more attention to the quality of your pace over the course of your runs. Try to maintain a pace that is 60-90 seconds slower than your goal pace for race day.

**SPEED**

**TRACK**

16 x 200 meters alternating between your Mile pace and your 5k pace.
Follow each 200-meter interval with 90 seconds of rest.

**RECOVERY**

Get the most out of today with a 5-9 mile run that lets you recover as efficiently as possible. Build your speed gradually so your first mile is your slowest and your last is your fastest.

**RECOVERY**

We recommend recovering with a 2-5 mile Progression Run. Start slow and quicken your pace over the course of your run.

**ENDURANCE**

**17-18 MILES**

Get ready to go the distance on race day with your week’s longest run.
Remember to pay more attention to the quality of your pace over the course of your runs. Try to maintain a pace that is 60-90 seconds slower than your goal pace for race day.

**RECOVERY**

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

**RECOVERY**

Go for a few Progression miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off. Give your body what it craves today.

**SPEED**

**TEMPO**

Run up and over a hill 9x.
Don’t just stop at the top of the hill—run for an additional 20 seconds when you reach the top.
You have handled it all. Long Runs. Speed Runs. Progression Runs. It’s time to run these miles confidently. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

**8.18.19 – 8.24.19**

**RUN CONFIDENT**

1. **SPEED — TRACK**
   - 6-8 Mile repeats at Tempo pace
   - 1-minute recovery after each mile.

2. **ENDURANCE — 14 MILES**
   - This is your longest run of the week. Run this distance consistently to build your endurance for race day.
   - Remember to pay more attention to the quality of your pace over the course of your runs. Try to maintain a pace that is 60-90 seconds slower than your goal pace for race day.

3. **SPEED — TEMPO**
   - 1 mile at your 10k pace
   - 800 meters at 5k pace
   - Follow each interval with 3 minutes of recovery.
   - Repeat series 3x.

4. **RECOVERY**
   - Recover from your last effort with a 5-9 mile Progression Run. Start slow and quicken your pace over the course of your run.

5. **RECOVERY**
   - The purpose of today is to recover. Try a 2-5 mile run that gradually builds in speed so your last mile is your fastest mile.

6. **RECOVERY**
   - Easy does it. Run a few Recovery miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off.

7. **RECOVERY**
   - Go for a few Recovery miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off. Give your body whatever it craves today.
EMBRACE FAST

You have been getting faster each week. Now it’s time to be as fast as you can. This week you will be working on both your speed and strength. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

8.25.19 - 8.31.19

**SPEED**

**TRACK**

- 400 meters at 10k pace
- (2x) 400 meters at 5k pace
- 400 meters at Mile pace

2-minute recovery between each interval. Repeat series 4x.

**ENDURANCE**

**17-18 MILES**

Get ready to go the distance on race day with your week’s longest run.

Remember to pay more attention to the quality of your pace over the course of your runs. Try to maintain a pace that is 60-90 seconds slower than your goal pace for race day.

**RECOVERY**

Focus on control as your recover from your last workout. 5-9 Recovery miles should do the trick. Gradually build speed from your first mile to your last.

**RECOVERY**

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

**RECOVERY**

Recovery miles are as important as your Speed and Endurance Runs. Try running 2-5 miles progressively today. Start slow and gradually build your speed so your last mile is faster than your first.

**RECOVERY**

Go for a few Progression miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off. Give your body what it craves today.

**SPEED**

**TEMPO**

1 mile at your Tempo pace
2-min recovery
Follow with this Fartlek sequence:
- 1-min at a hard pace, 30-sec easy pace
- 2-min hard, 1-min easy
- 3-min hard, 1:30-min easy
- 3-min hard, 1:30-min easy
- 2-min hard pace, 1-min easy
- 1-min at a hard pace, 30-sec easy
- 2-min recovery
1 mile at Tempo pace
This week is a great opportunity to look ahead to the athlete you want to be. Be that athlete now. Take on some faster paces and consider adjusting your race goals to match the runner you’ve become. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

### 9.1.19 – 9.7.19

#### Move Ahead

Get the most out of today with a 5-9 mile run that lets you recover as efficiently as possible. Build your speed gradually so your first mile is your slowest and your last is your fastest.

Get the most out of today with a 5-9 mile run that lets you recover as efficiently as possible. Build your speed gradually so your first mile is your slowest and your last is your fastest.

Running this distance consistently will help prepare the body and mind to go the distance on race day.

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

Give your body what it craves today by running a few easy miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

You’re almost there! For the last six weeks of training, monitor your average pace over the course of your runs. The mix of pace and distance will serve as an important ingredient to your success on race day.

We recommend recovering with a 2-5 mile Progression Run. Start slow and quicken your pace over the course of your run.

Give your body what it craves today by running a few easy miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

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**Speed — Track**

1 Mile run at 10k pace
6-8 mile run at Marathon pace
1 Mile run at 10k pace

2:00 recovery after each run

**Endurance — 14 Miles**

Running this distance consistently will help prepare the body and mind to go the distance on race day.

You’re almost there! For the last six weeks of training, monitor your average pace over the course of your runs. The mix of pace and distance will serve as an important ingredient to your success on race day.

**Speed — Tempo**

1000 meters at 10k pace
1000 meters at Tempo pace
1000 meters at 10k pace
1000 meters at Tempo pace
1000 meters at 10k pace
1000 meters at Tempo pace

(6x) 100-meter strides

2-minute rest between each interval.
30 seconds between Strides.
You are fit, strong and ready to take on any workout. The miles will start to pass by more quickly. Make sure you appreciate what you have done and what you are doing. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.


**READY TO RUN**

You are fit, strong and ready to take on any workout. The miles will start to pass by more quickly. Make sure you appreciate what you have done and what you are doing. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

**SPEED**

**TRACK**

Run 8-10 Miles: Alternate each Mile between Tempo and Marathon pace.

Follow with 2-minute recovery.

**ENDURANCE**

**16 - 18 MILES**

Running this distance consistently will help prepare the body and mind to go the distance on race day.

You’re almost there! For the last four weeks of training, monitor your average pace over the course of your runs. The mix of pace and distance will serve as an important ingredient to your success on race day.

**RECOVERY**

Focus on control as your recover from your last workout. 5-9 Recovery miles should do the trick. Gradually build speed from your first mile to your last.

**RECOVERY**

Recovery miles are as important as your Speed and Endurance Runs. Try running 2-5 miles progressively today. Start slow and gradually build your speed so your last mile is faster than your first.

**RECOVERY**

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

**RECOVERY**

Give your body what it craves today by running a few easy miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

**SPEED**

**TEMPO**

Run 9 miles as a Progression Run. Your pace should drop so the last 4 miles are run at a Tempo pace.
Your training will hit its peak this week. Be prepared to work hard, be tired and enjoy every minute of it. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

9.15.19 – 9.21.19

**HIT YOUR PEAK**

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**SPEED**

**TRACK**

(12x) 400 meters at 5k pace
2 minute recovery after each.

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**RECOVERY**

Recover from your last effort with a 5-9 mile Progression Run. Start slow and quicken your pace over the course of your run.

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**ENDEURANCE**

**20-22 MILES**

Get ready to go the distance on race day with your week’s longest run.

For the last five weeks of training, monitor your average pace over the course of your runs. The mix of pace and distance will serve as an important ingredient to your success on race day.

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**RECOVERY**

The purpose of today is to recover. Try a 2-5 mile run that gradually builds in speed so your last mile is your fastest mile.

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**RECOVERY**

Easy does it. Run a few Recovery miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off.

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**SPEED**

**TEMPO**

4 mile Progression Run averaging your Tempo pace.

(8x) 100-meter Strides

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**RECOVERY**

Go for a few Recovery miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off. Give your body whatever it craves today.
SHARPEN EVERY STEP

You don’t taper. You sharpen. This week the speed picks up but the recovery picks up even more. It’s quality running and quality recovery from now on. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles.

To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

9.22.19 – 9.28.19

SPEED

TRAIL

Run 10:00: Alternate running 1:00 at Tempo pace then 1:00 at 5k pace. Follow with 3-minute recovery.
Run 8:00: 1:00 at Tempo pace then 1:00 at 5k pace. Follow with 3-minute recovery.
Run 6:00: 1:00 at Tempo pace then 1:00 at Mile pace. Follow with 2-minute recovery.
Run 4:00: 1:00 at Tempo pace then 1:00 at Mile pace. Follow with 1-minute recovery.
Run 2:00: 1:00 @ Tempo pace then 1:00 at Best pace.

ENDURANCE

14 - 16 MILES

Get ready to go the distance on race day with your week’s longest run.

For the last three weeks of training, monitor your average pace over the course of your runs. The mix of pace and distance will serve as an important ingredient to your success on race day.

SPEED

TEMPO

Run uphill for 2 minutes—preferably 90 seconds up and 30 seconds over a crest. Repeat 6x.

If you don’t have a hill, do a 2-minute Progression Run that builds from a 10k to a Mile pace and repeat 6x.

Whether on a hill or flat, allow for a full recovery between intervals.

RECOVERY

Get the most out of today with a 5-9 mile run that lets you recover as efficiently as possible. Build your speed gradually so your first mile is your slowest and your last is your fastest.

We recommend recovering with a 2-5 mile Progression Run. Start slow and quicken your pace over the course of your run.

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

Go for a few Progression miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off. Give your body what it craves today.

RECOVERY
You have done the training. Now it’s time to maintain this body of work. As the intensity dials itself down it’s important to focus on sleep, hydration, diet and fun. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

### SPEED

**— TRACK —**

- (4x) 200 meters at Mile pace
- (2x) 400 meters at 10k pace
- (4x) 200 meters at 5k pace
- (2x) 400 meters at 10k pace
- (4x) 200 meters at Marathon pace
- (2x) 400 meters at 10k pace

60-second recovery between each interval.

### RECOVERY

Recover from your last effort with a 5-9 mile Progression Run. Start slow and quicken your pace over the course of your run.

### ENDURANCE

**— 10-12 MILES —**

Running this distance consistently will help prepare the body and mind to go the distance on race day.

For the last two weeks of training, monitor your average pace over the course of your runs. The mix of pace and distance will serve as an important ingredient to your success on race day.

### SPEED

**— TEMPO —**

- 1.5 mile Recovery Run
- 1000 meters at Tempo pace
- 1000 meters at Tempo pace
- 1.5 mile Recovery Run

2-minute recovery between each
You’ve made it. This week, run strong and confident. Use what you have learned and the progress you have made. You are ready to take the line. You can modify the following sequence to suit your week, but don’t do Speed & Endurance runs back-to-back and stick to the recommended miles. To round out your training, add NTC workouts into your routine to get fit, fast.

**SPEED — TRACK**

- 2:00 minutes at 10k pace
- 8:00 minutes at Marathon pace
- 2:00 minutes at 5k pace
- 8:00 minutes at Marathon pace

**ENDURANCE — 26.2 MILES**

- 2:00 minutes at 10k pace
- 8:00 minutes at Marathon pace
- 2:00 minutes at 5k pace
- 8:00 minutes at Marathon pace

**RECOVERY**

Focus on control as your recover from your last workout. 5-9 Recovery miles should do the trick. Gradually build speed from your first mile to your last.

**RECOVERY**

Recovery miles are as important as your Speed and Endurance Runs. Try running 2-5 miles progressively today. Start slow and gradually build your speed so your last mile is faster than your first.

**RECOVERY**

Today is about recovering. Give your body what it craves by running a few Recovery miles, doing a NTC workout or take the day off.

**RECOVERY**

Go for a few Progression miles, do a NTC workout or take the whole day off. Give your body what it craves today.

**SPEED — TEMPO**

- 2 mile Recovery run
- (8x) 100m strides
- 1 mile Recovery run