

# 8. PARENZANA MARATHON

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### CROATIA AND SLOVENIA ALONG THE FAMOUS ROUTE OF THE PARENZANA RAILWAY



**DATE AND TIME OF THE EVENT:** Sunday, March 15th, 2026

#### START LOCATIONS:

- 21 km course: Bašanija, Croatia, at 11:00
- 16 km course: In front of the Kempinski Hotel (Crveni vrh, Croatia), expected at 11:20
- 11 km course: At the intersection of the Parezana trail and the road from Kanegra, expected at 11:40
- 6 km course: Sečovlje, after the border crossing, at the Parezana bridge on the Slovenian side, expected at 11:55

**FINISH FOR ALL COURSES:** CAMP LUCIJA, Portorož (Slovenia). Expected arrival of the first participants at 12:15.

**START PROCEDURE:** The main start in Bašanija is ONLY FOR RUNNERS ON THE 21 km COURSE. Starts at individual intermediate locations will operate on a "catch and release" basis, meaning that the start will occur exactly when the support vehicle arrives at the specific start location ahead of the first runner. At that time, participants at that start will prepare and start with the lead runner on the route. They will continue to the next point, where the process will repeat until they reach the finish at CAMP LUCIJA.

**IMPORTANT:** Participants should wait at least 30 minutes before the scheduled start time at each specific start location.

**BRIEFING:** A presentation of the route and the competition procedure will be organized for all participants, 15 minutes before the start at each specific location.

**PRE-REGISTRATIONS:** Pre-registrations are accepted exclusively through the online registration form BELOW, which is published on the website HERE: <https://www.oceanlavaparezana.eu/prijavnica/>

**REGISTRATIONS ON SATURDAY OR THE DAY OF THE EVENT:** Registrations will be accepted at Camp Lucija Saturday from 4 pm-8 pm and Sunday from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM or until spots are filled. Registrations at individual start points WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE.

**PICKING UP START NUMBERS:** Will be at Camp Lucija at the reception on the day of the event, Sunday, from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM, and on Saturday, from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Takamaka restaurant (in Camp Lucija). Pickup can be done with a personal document if you are picking up for yourself or a copy of a personal document if picking up for others.

**BUS TRANSPORT:** Buses will be organized from Portorož (Camp Lucija, reception) to the individual start points (Bašanija, Kempinski, Kanegra, Sečovlje) before the race. First for those on the longest route of 21 km, then for those on the 16 km route, followed by the 11 km route, and finally for those on the 6 km route. The number of seats is limited. Reserve your transport in advance (reservation is valid on the day of payment). The transport fee is 8 EUR. Payment for transport can be arranged together with the registration fee, but please inform us via email. Organized transport will only be to the start location before the race. There will be no transport after the race!

**REGISTRATION FEE:** Transfer it to the organizer's bank account: ŠPORTNO DRUŠTVO SLOVENC, Kocenova ulica 4, 3000 CELJE, IBAN: SI56 6100 0002 5168 937, BIC: HDELSI22, **Reference number:** 00 15032026.

If you are paying for others or need an original invoice for a company or association, please inform us via our official email: [booking@oceanlavaparenzana.eu](mailto:booking@oceanlavaparenzana.eu) Registration will be considered VALID ON THE DAY OF PAYMENT OF THE REGISTRATION FEE.

**ENTRY FEE PRICES:**

COURSES / DATE OF PAYMENT	Early birds, until 3.11.2025	4.11. until 15.1.2026	16.1. until 2.3.2026	From 3.3. afterwards and on race day
6 km FUN RUN	21 EUR	26 EUR	31 EUR	36 EUR
11 km INDIVIDUAL	26 EUR	31 EUR	36 EUR	41 EUR
16 km INDIVIDUAL	28 EUR	33 EUR	38 EUR	43 EUR
21 km INDIVIDUAL	31 EUR	36 EUR	41 EUR	46 EUR
11 km or 16 km RELAY (2 person)	37 EUR	45 EUR	53 EUR	61 EUR
21 km RELAY (2 person)	43 EUR	51 EUR	59 EUR	67 EUR
21 km RELAY (3 person)	58 EUR	66 EUR	74 EUR	82 EUR
21 km RELAY (4 person)	68 EUR	78 EUR	88 EUR	98 EUR

**ENTRY FEE INCLUDES:** With the paid registration fee, participants receive: a functional running shirt of the event (pre-registered with a paid fee by March 5th, 2026; those registered after this date and on the day of the event will receive a commemorative shirt), a UNIQUE commemorative medal of the event, a commemorative diploma, a unique event number, a commemorative backpack, gifts from event sponsors, liability insurance, guaranteed medical support, result measurements, and an organized event with well-stocked refreshment stations, an excellent atmosphere, and a great view.

**All participants will also receive a warm meal at the restaurant in Camp Lucija Portorož. Relay team members will receive 2 or 3 registration packages.**

**SPECIAL DISCOUNTS AND OFFERS:**

- Children up to 14 years old: 20% discount
- Groups, clubs, and companies with 10+ participants: 5% discount
- Groups, clubs, and companies with 20+ participants: 10% discount
- Groups, clubs, and companies with 30+ participants: 15% discount
- Families (4 or more participants): 20% discount
- **DISCOUNT FOR PARTNER RACE: 15th Easter Run around Šmartinsko Lake, Celje on March 29, 2026, offering an 7 EUR discount based on the current registration fee on the day of payment. Payment for BOTH RACES should be made with one transfer.**

## COURSES:

- **6 km run:** Starts 200 m from the border crossing in Slovenia on the Parenzana trail and runs entirely on flat, asphalt paths, passing Solin, to Camp Lucija, where the finish is located by the Takamaka restaurant.
- **11 km run:** Starts at the intersection of the gravel road of Parenzana and the access road from Kanegra. It begins on a well-maintained gravel path downhill to the Croatian border crossing and then to the Slovenian border crossing. From there, the route continues the same as the 6 km run, entirely on flat asphalt paths, passing Solin, to Camp Lucija, where the finish is located by the Takamaka restaurant.
- **16 km run:** Starts in front of the Kempinski Hotel and initially runs on an asphalt path. After about 2 kilometers, it continues on a well-maintained and hilly gravel path to the intersection of Parenzana and the road from Kanegra. From here, the route follows the same path as the 11 km run, going downhill to the Croatian border crossing and then to the Slovenian border crossing. After that, it continues the same as the 6 km run, entirely on flat asphalt paths, passing Solin, to Camp Lucija, where the finish is located by the Takamaka restaurant.
- **21 km run:** Starts in front of the roundabout in Bašanija and runs past the lighthouse by the sea towards Savudrija to the Kempinski Hotel. From there, it follows the route of the 16 km run, initially on asphalt and then after about 2 kilometers on a well-maintained and hilly gravel path to the intersection of Parenzana and the road from Kanegra. The rest of the route follows the same as the 11 km run, going downhill to the Croatian border crossing and then to the Slovenian border crossing. After that, it continues the same as the 6 km run, entirely on flat asphalt paths, passing Solin, to Camp Lucija, where the finish is located by the Takamaka restaurant.
- **Relay run 11 km or 16 km (2-member relay):** Follows the same route as the 11 km or 16 km run, with the first participant starting at the Kempinski location (16 km) or Kanegra (11 km) and running to the border crossing. The exchange point, where the second relay member waits, is approximately 200 m from the border crossing at the footbridge on the Slovenian side, where the baton is handed over. The second member then runs to Camp Lucija, where the finish is located by the Takamaka restaurant. The first member takes a bus from the border to Camp Lucija (included in the price).
- **Relay run 21 km (2-member relay):** Follows the same route as the 21 km run, with the first participant starting in Bašanija and running to Kempinski, Kanegra, or the border crossing, where they hand over the baton to the second participant, who then runs to Camp Lucija, where the finish is located by the Takamaka restaurant.
- **Relay run 21 km (3-member relay):** Follows the same route as the 21 km run, with the first participant starting in Bašanija and running to Kempinski or Kanegra, handing the baton to the second member, who runs to the border crossing, where they hand the baton to the third member, who then runs to Camp Lucija, where the finish is located by the Takamaka restaurant.
- **Relay run 21 km (4-member relay):** Follows the same route as the 21 km run, with the first participant starting in Bašanija and running to Kempinski, handing the baton to the second member, who runs to Kanegra and hands the baton to the third member, who runs to the border crossing, where they hand the baton to the fourth member, who then runs to Camp Lucija, where the finish is located by the Takamaka restaurant.

## CATEGORIES:

- 6 km run: Men and women, with awards for the top 5 overall and 3 age categories for both men and women (under 30, 31-50, and 51+).
- 11 km run: Divided into 3 men's and 3 women's categories (under 30, 31-50, and 51+), plus top 5 overall for men and women.
- 16 km run: Divided into 3 men's and 3 women's categories (under 30, 31-50, and 51+), plus top 5 overall for men and women.
- 21 km run: Divided into 7 men's and 7 women's categories (under 20, 21-30, 31-40, 41-50, 51-60, 61-70, 71+), plus top 5 overall for men and women.

- RELAY RUNS will be categorized into men's, women's, and mixed categories for the 13 km and 21 km events. (If there are fewer than 3 teams in any specific category, they will be placed in the mixed relay category.)

**PRIZES:** Among participants, we will draw rich prizes from event sponsors. We will also reward the youngest male and female participants, as well as the oldest male and female participants, who will receive special prizes. A special prize will also be awarded to the largest club or organization.

**REFRESHMENTS:** We will set up refreshment stations along the course and at the finish (water, drinks, bananas, Coca-Cola, etc.).

**EQUIPMENT TRANSPORT:** We will organize the transport of clothing to the finish, and marked bags from participants will be collected 15 minutes before the start.

**WEBSITE:** <https://www.oceanlavaparenzana.eu/>

**EMAIL ADDRESS:** [booking@oceanlavaparenzana.eu](mailto:booking@oceanlavaparenzana.eu)

**OTHER:** All competitors participate at their own risk, and the organizer is not responsible for injuries or accidents that occur during the competition. By signing the registration form when collecting start numbers, participants agree to the terms outlined. A guardian's signature is required for those under 18 years old.

**ADDITIONAL:** In case of cancellation due to non-participation or health issues, we will refund the registration fee with entry fee voucher, minus an administrative fee of 5 EUR, if notified 30 days before the event. For cancellations from 30 days up to 7 days before the event, we will refund 50% of the registration fee with entry fee voucher. After that period, registration fees are non-refundable. In the event of cancellation due to force majeure or health situations, the event will be rescheduled, with the new date to be announced later. The organizer reserves the right to change the rules without notifying participants.

Portorož, september 2025