

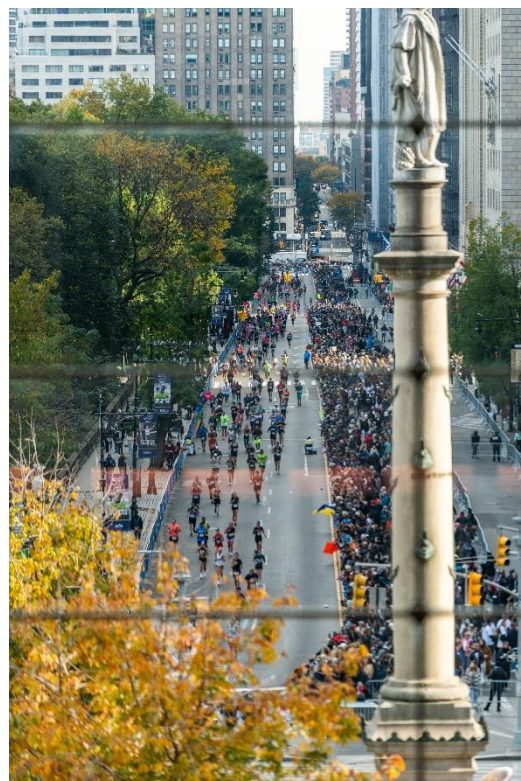
TCS New York City Marathon

01 November 2026

Since 1993 Penthouse Travel Sporting Tours have been selected as an Official International Tour Operator (ITO) of the TCS New York City Marathon, the Premier Event of the New York Road Runners (NYRR). We can offer you a guaranteed entry to the 2026 TCS New York City Marathon. Supporters are welcome, there is plenty to see and do while the runners participate in the Marathon.

TCS NEW YORK CITY MARATHON

The TCS New York City Marathon is the largest in the world and includes over 50,000 runners, from the world's top professional athletes to runners of all ages and abilities, including over 9,000 charity runners. Runners participate from approximately 140 countries. They run through the diverse neighbourhoods of New York City's five boroughs—Staten Island, Brooklyn, Queens, the Bronx, and Manhattan. More than one million spectators and 10,000 volunteers line the city's streets in support of the runners, while millions more watch the globally televised broadcast. The race has 5 staggered starts between 09h50 and 11h30 - you have more than 8 hours to soak up the motivating and enthusiastic support from approximately 2 million spectators until you reach the race finish. Expect a fantastic marathon, an exceptionally well-planned, large expo and pre and post-marathon celebrations. Combine all this with a bustling city that never sleeps and you will have a trip of a lifetime!



FULL PACKAGE

Approx. Prices Per Person	Single room	Double Share room	Twin Share room	Triple Share room
Johannesburg (Runner)	R 83 595	R 66 295	R 67 895	R 61 195
Johannesburg (Non-Runner)	R 69 595	R 52 295	R 53 895	R 47 195

INCLUDES;

- Return economy air ticket with United Airlines, including airport taxes and fuel charges.
 - Tuesday 27 October UA187 Depart Johannesburg 22h00 Arrive Newark International Airport 08h20*next day
 - Monday 02 November UA188 Depart Newark International Airport 20h50 Arrive Johannesburg 18h35*next day
 - Schedules can be subject to change by the airline.
 - Guided transport from the airport to the hotel on 28 October 2026 (from UA187)
 - 5 nights' accommodation (28,29,30, 31 October, 1 November) at the Ameritania Hotel, 54th & Broadway, Mid-Manhattan, city taxes and occupancy tax
 - Runners Only - Private bus to the race start on 1 November, departing from the Ameritania Hotel
 - Runners Only – Guaranteed entry to the 2026 TCS New York City Marathon including; Single-use Race Timing Chip, Official Race Shirt and goody bag, choice of 'baggage option' (drop a bag at the start area) or 'no baggage option' (poncho at the finish) with your entry, 2026 TCS New York City Marathon Medal at the finish, the opportunity to participate in the International Parade of Nations (Friday evening), downloadable Marathon certificate with your finish time.
 - 8 days Travel Insurance for standard tour dates (26 October – 3 November 2026 inclusive)
 - Penthouse Travel Sporting Tours Guide in New York during race weekend *
 - Penthouse Travel Sporting Tours Gift **
 - Runners Only - Penthouse Travel Sporting Tours RSA running vest **
- * Subject to group size
** Subject to confirmation, style and item might change

EXCLUDES;

- Personal documentation, Passport & Visas
- Breakfast and any meals not mentioned in the inclusions above
- Transport from the hotel to the airport
- Anything not mentioned in the inclusions above
- Abbott 5k Dash to the finish line 2026. An optional extra bookable with us

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⇒ Day 1 – Wednesday 28 October 2026

Welcome to New York City!

On arrival at Newark International Airport, after passing through customs/immigration and collecting your luggage, you will be met by a representative from our company who will show you to the coach for the transfer to your hotel. The hotel is usually full when we arrive so your room won't be ready earlier than the normal check-in time of 15h00 unless you pre-book and pre-pay for the previous night. You can leave your luggage in the hotel storeroom and use this time to familiarise yourself with the Big Apple! Overnight at the hotel.

⇒ Day 2 – Thursday 29 October 2026

Start the day with a gentle jog around Central Park to stretch out your legs after a long flight.

Today is the perfect day to visit the Expo to collect your race number. Your tour leader will set a time if you would like to go as a group.

Overnight at the hotel.

⇒ Day 3 – Friday 30 October 2026

Day at leisure; perhaps some shopping, a Broadway show or city sightseeing.

Optional: Join fellow International runners in Central Park to watch or participate in the Parade of Nations and Opening Ceremony with Fireworks from 17h00.*

*Runners need apply to participate in Parade of Nations. Registered runners will receive an invite on email to apply around June.

Overnight at the hotel.

⇒ Day 4 – Saturday 31 October 2026

Day at leisure. Kick up your feet and relax before the big day.

Overnight at the hotel.

⇒ Day 5 – Sunday 01 November 2026

✓ *Those who are running the 2026 TCS New York City Marathon - 42 km:*

Between 05h45 - 06h00: Depart by private coach transfer to the Race start in Staten Island.

08h30: The professional Wheelchair athletes start.

09h40 to 11h30: Elite and the masses start. Staggered start times depending on seeding.

The race finishes in Central Park. Hotel Ameritania is within walking distance.

Start time information is subject to change. Please visit the NYRR event page for the most up to date information.

✓ *Those who are not running the 2026 TCS New York City Marathon:*

After waving off your companion, we suggest you spend the day as you wish. You are welcome to join your tour leader, out spectating on the route. Otherwise, if you prefer relaxing away from the race with some sightseeing, or shopping etc.

Overnight at the hotel.

⇒ Day 6 – Monday 02 November 2026

We bid you farewell at the hotel to either enjoy an extended stay or return home. Please note that transport to the airport is not included in the package.

AMERITANIA HOTEL AT TIMES SQUARE

We return this year to our central hotel in Manhattan's most vibrant district. A small non-smoking hotel with 200+ rooms, it's in an excellent location for both the race and sightseeing. In the immediate area are shops, theatres, eateries and public transport.

Within a five-block radius, you'll find Central Park and Times Square. The hotel has a fitness room, Wi-Fi, daily iced water in the lobby, bottled water in the room and unlimited local phone calls, which are all complimentary for our guests. Breakfast is not available in the hotel, but you can easily find breakfast at a choice of numerous eating establishments within a 200m radius of the hotel.

Race Registration (Jacob Javits): Is approximately 2.5kms easy walk or a taxi cab

Race Start (Staten Island): Is approximately 25kms (private bus included from the hotel)

Race Finish Line: Is approximately a 2.5 km walk or subway trip to the Hotel

Abbott Dash to the Finish Line 5K

The Abbott Dash to the finish line 5K, allows runners to be a part of the festivities without running 26.2 miles! The dash usually held the day before the TCS New York Marathon. Runners will zip through the streets of Manhattan and finish at the famed Marathon finish line in Central Park. Marathoners and non-marathoners are all welcome to participate if booked. If you would like to participate, it can be arranged at an extra cost of approximately R 850. Limited spots are available



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do I enter the race?

Just book your travel package with us, together with your Guaranteed Entry to the 2026 TCS New York City Marathon.

Do I need to qualify for the 2026 TCS New York City Marathon?

No, you don't, walkers and runners of all speeds are welcome. You have more than 8 hours to finish and will receive a medal. The minimum age for an entrant is 18 years.

Can I purchase a race entry only?

We cannot sell a race entry only; it is sold together with accommodation booked through us.

Can I travel earlier and/or include another race overseas?

Travelling earlier is an option, provided you purchase a full package inclusive of the airfare. Limited breakaway to travel earlier are allowed on this option.

Can I extend my stay?

A later return flight is possible, although only a limited number in the group are permitted to return on a later date. This may incur additional costs. Additional nights at the accommodation can be arranged and quoted for or you could arrange your own accommodation after the basic package dates.

Can I upgrade the air ticket/or fly with a different airline?

United Airlines' current rules allows you to upgrade your booking class at an additional cost from Economy to Premium economy or business class. If you would like to travel in a different cabin class, please indicate to us on your booking form. Due to contractual commitments, requests outside of the fully inclusive travel package are limited, if you would like to travel on a different airline, please let us know before booking.

Can I depart from another country?

This package is only available to runners departing from South Africa. If you are departing from another, please let us know first, and we will do our best to assist you.

Is travel insurance necessary?

Yes. Travel insurance is compulsory, and comprehensive coverage is included in the price for all South African residents (and certain neighbouring countries) for the standard tour dates 26 October – 3 November 2026 inclusive. If you extend your stay, you will be invoiced for the additional premium, which is available on request. A supplement will apply if aged 70 years +. Terms and conditions apply. More details available on request.

What can I expect from my hotel room?

A single room has 1 Queen-sized bed for the use of one person only.

A double room has 1 Queen or King-sized bed, which is for the use of two people.

A twin room has 2 double beds, which are for the use of two people.

Triple has 2 double beds, which can be used for 3 people. Note that two people will need to share a bed. This option is not recommended as space and comfort will be compromised.

All rooms have a private bathroom, TV, blackout curtains and desk/chair.

Do I need a passport and visa?

Please ensure you have a full passport, which has at least 4 blank pages, and it's valid for 6 months or more after your stay in the USA. South African passport holders require a visa for entry to the USA. Applicants must apply in person to the US Embassy. **We suggest you research visa requirements and your eligibility, or obtain a visa before committing to travel arrangements.** More info and costs can be found on their website <https://ais.usvisa-info.com/en-za/niv>. British passport holders and most EU passport holders must have an ESTA to enter the USA. To check the rules and register, please visit the website <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/>. If you have an RSA passport as well as a foreign passport, you must show the RSA passport when you exit/enter RSA (Use your foreign passport to enter and exit the USA). If you are a foreign citizen with permanent residency in South Africa, you are required to travel with your original permanent residence certificate and ID from Home Affairs. If unsure, please ask, and we will guide you, but advice and assistance can only be a guideline, as we do not have access to your personal history and passport/visa history. Sure Travelways/Penthouse Travel Sporting Tours cannot be held responsible if travellers obtain incorrect information and do not have the correct personal documents to travel. If you are travelling via another country or intend to travel of your own accord to another country during this trip, please ensure you have the correct visas and personal documentation. All other nationalities need to please check their requirements.

I want to book. What do I do next?

Places are limited. **IF YOU WISH TO MAKE A BOOKING, PLEASE SCAN THE BOOKING FORM and LAST PAGE OF Travelways (Pty) Ltd STANDARD TERMS & CONDITIONS TO US TOGETHER WITH PASSPORT COPIES.** Upon receipt of these documents (subject to availability), we will send banking details and a request for a 40% non-refundable deposit per runner and 30% deposit per non-runner, which must be paid to Penthouse Travel Sporting Tours within 7 days of written confirmation. A second non-refundable deposit of 10% per person is due before 7 April 2026. A third non-refundable deposit of 20% per person is due by 3 July 2026. The balance payment will be calculated and invoiced in August, with the due date for final and full payment no later than 28 August 2026.

For reservations, please contact
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