

Relish Running Races

Westonbirt Arboretum Races - 7th Feb 2026

Parking opens 16:30. Registration / Number collection from 17:00.

Races start from 18:00. Venue closes at 21:30.

Westonbirt Arboretum, Westonbirt, Tetbury, GL8 8QS. W3W /// monkey.booth.motored

On the Day Registrations - Please see Schedule document for start times

5km £28

10km £34

On the day payments can be made in cash, card or contactless payments. Places are subject to availability.

Important Notices

- Please note there are no flood lights or any ambient light in the main event area. All spectators will need to have their own torch as the ground is uneven in places. Please have your torches ready for the walk from the car park.
- Unlike for the day races, you do not need to purchase a parking / spectator pass for the night race as it is not possible to extend your visit in the same way as it is with the day races. Please stay in the main event area and note that the site is fully closed at 21:30 so we ask that everyone has left the arboretum and parking area by this time.
- There is cycle racking available in the main car park (follow those signs, rather than the Relish Running Car Park signs)
- Please do not run with in ear, or over ear headphones as this is not permitted under UK Athletics rules. Only bone conducting headphones are permitted. This is very important so you can hear the marshals instructions, other users and traffic on the road crossing points. **If you do use in ear, or over ear headphones you will be disqualified.** Thank you for your understanding.
- It is expected that 5km/10km runners are self sufficient in terms of their water if possible as we are trying to minimise our environmental impact, though we have cups of water at every drinks station. There will of course be water for everyone at the finish.
- We are no longer offering bottled water at our drinks stations or at the finish line in an effort to reduce plastic waste. There will of course be biodegradable cups on offer for you at the drinks stations as well as water containers to refill your own water bottle at each drinks station. If you are racing a long distance event, we would encourage you to bring your own water supply for after the race, after a cup or two at the finish line.



How to get to Westonbirt Arboretum

By Car – Westonbirt Arboretum, Westonbirt, Tetbury, GL8 8QS.

By Train – Kemble train station is 9 miles away and is the closest station to the arboretum.

Spectators

Spectators are very welcome to attend, Westonbirt is a wonderful family day out! Spectators have FREE access!

Race Registration

We are not posting out any numbers for this event, all numbers will be available to collect on the day. Number Collection opens from 17:00. Registration closes 5mins before the start of the final wave. Runners who register on the day (subject to availability) will be assigned to the one wave per distance which will be open to on the day sign ups.

Please note it will not be possible to swap waves or to fit any runners into a wave once it is full or under any circumstances on the day. If you start in the incorrect wave you will be disqualified.

Bag Storage

There is a manned bag storage gazebo, with limited space. If you can leave your bag in your car or with family or friends that would be preferable and save you time. Please fill out the luggage tag provided with your race number and event or use the tear off section at the bottom of your race number.

Toilets

There are toilets as you enter Westonbirt in the main Welcome Building on your left hand side. There are also toilets in the main café, restaurant hub area, about 200m from the registration area – these will be less busy, so whilst a short walk away, these are your best bet.

Catering

There is a huge selection of cafes and restaurants at Westonbirt, perfect for spectators, brunches and lunches. A small catering unit will be open when you enter the site. The main cafes and restaurants which are situated opposite the event area open from 09:30.

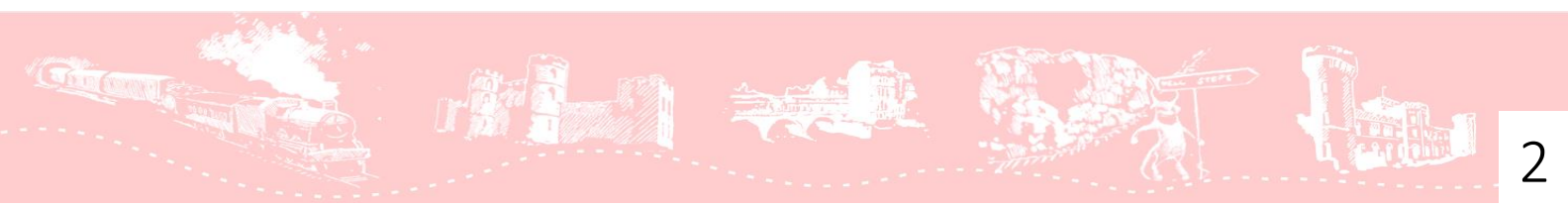
Changing Tents

There are no changing tents at this race. Please come changed ready for the run. The bag drop area can look after your additional clothes and bags.

Race Start Times – Provisional Schedule

To keep the runners spread out and to ensure the event works harmoniously with everyday users we are splitting up the events into the following waves. Below are suggested arrival times.

Numbers are collected according to Event Wave



Event Wave	Race Wave	Predicted time	Register (approx)	Briefing	Start
1	10km - WAVE 1	Less than 55mins	17:00 - 17:15	17:55	18:00
2	10km - WAVE 2	Less than 60mins	17:10 - 17:25	18:05	18:10
3	5km - WAVE 1	Less than 35mins	17:15 - 17:30	18:10	18:20
4	5km - WAVE 2	Open to all	17:20 - 17:35	18:15	18:25
5	10km - WAVE 3	55 - 65mins	17:30 - 17:45	18:25	18:30
6	10km - WAVE 4	55 - 65mins	17:40 - 17:55	18:35	18:45
7	10km - WAVE 5	Open to all	17:50 - 17:05	18:45	19:00

Notes

OTD? = Places available on the day, on a first come first served basis. Places on the day subject to availability.

Race Briefing

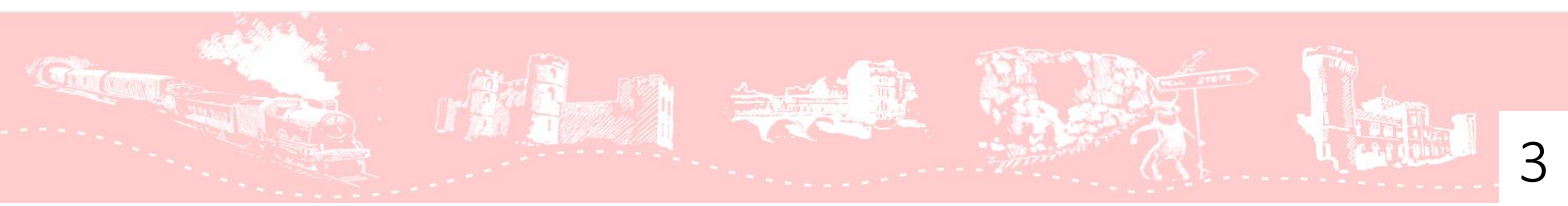
There will be a briefing ahead of each wave start at the start line.

Distance Markers and GPS Route Measurements

GPS watches may struggle with the heavily tree lined area so you can expect some small differences in measurements. All our courses at Westonbirt are the correct distance.

Course Markers

All our race routes are marked with the white background signs with red arrows. These signs are reflective and will bounce back the light from your torches. The route is also marked with very bright glow sticks.





Large signs, and our marshal team, will direct the runners around the different courses based on your race number colour so please make sure that is visible and pinned to your front and keep an eye out for the giant signs! This is a very popular event so the marshals will assist you, but you need to be sure you following the correct route and not just the feet infront of you 😊



10km

As this is a metric event, so are their distance markers.



The **Yellow KM Distance Markers** are for the **10km**. You should expect to see all distance markers



5km

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The **Blue KM Distance Markers** are for the **5km**. You should expect to see 1km, 2km, 3km and 4km markers out on the course.

Route Descriptions

5km Brief Route Description

> 1 loop course

After 300m runners turn right and run along the main arboretum drive (other routes go straight) please stick to the left hand side on the road. Next up is the beautiful old arboretum for the main body of the run before a closing lap of the main event area to bring you round to the finish, bearing left off the main path to cross the finish line.

10km Brief Route Description

> 2 loop course

The 10km is a two laps of the 5km course for the winter races. After 300m runners turn right and run along the main arboretum drive, please stick to the left hand side on the road. After this sort road section you will head into the beautiful old arboretum for the main body of the run before a closing lap of the main event area to bring you round to the finish area. To start your second make a right turn after the split point. On the second pass, turn left to head to the finish line. If you want to call if a day after 1 lap, please just make the timing team aware and you are very welcome to collect a 5km medal!

Drinks Stations

There are 1 drinks station on the 10km, just after runners start the second lap. There is no drinks station on the 5km.

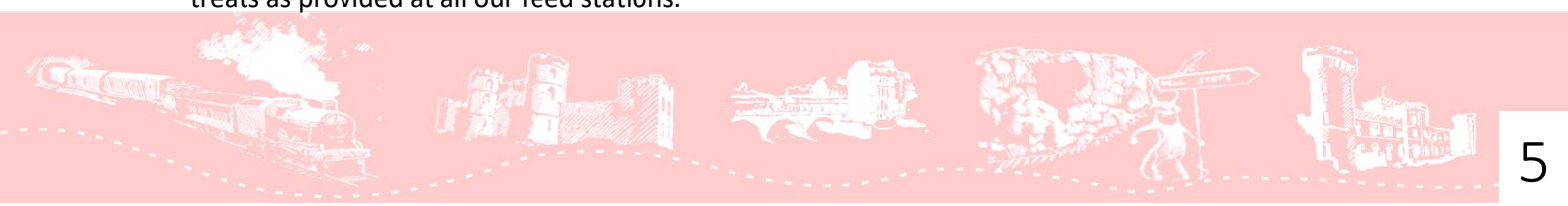
There will be a huge selection of treats available for all runners at the finish line including GF, DF and vegan options.

First Aid

There is a First Aider at each Feed Station as well as the Finish. If you do not feel able to complete the course or if you feel unwell please stop at your nearest Feed Station and we will arrange for you to be returned to the Start/Finish area.

Finish

After the race all runners will be awarded a medal and will be provided with a buffet of sweet tasty treats as provided at all our feed stations.



Medals

Our interlocking jigsaw medals link together with medals from all our other races this year so you can build to it and create your own giant medal.

Medal Engravings

If you ordered a medal personalisation, a small engraving with your name and finish time on it, please remember to collect your medals on race day, the engraving will be posted out to you approximately 3 weeks after race day.

Race Photos

Professional race photos are available to purchase from [Image Works Photography](#), you can search quickly using your race number or by uploading a selfie. You can register now to hear when your photos are up! Register in advance to find out when the photos go live and to receive a 10% discount code, valid for the first 48hrs of the photos going on sale.

Results

[PROVISIONAL Results](#) will be posted to our website at roughly 22:00 on race day. We will make any amends / updates from Tuesday. We record your finish time under the finish gantry and bib (race number) at the end of the finish funnel. If you escape the finish funnel then we can not record a finish time for you.

If you are unable to complete the distance for your event, you do not need to cross the finish line. However if you do, please let the timing team at the far end of the funnel know that you have dropped out.

Please only cross the finish line once. If you cross the finish line twice, with friends or family in later waves, it creates lots of confusion as we end up with two results for you!

Prizes

There will be prizes for the 5km and 10km. The number of prizes awarded will depend on the number of finishers.

Finishers in each Gender	1-49 Finishers	50-99 Finishers	100+ Finishers
Prizes	1 st Place	Top 3	Top 3, 1 st in age group

There are no on the day prize giving due to the large number of waves and the time intervals between waves. Prize winners will be contacted the week after the race by email.

Save the Date!

We look forward to returning to Westonbirt again in Feb 2027, or if you can't wait that long and would like to see Westonbirt in the summer time, come and join us of our next race on the 5th & 6th September

5th September; 10km, 5km & 1 Mile Fun Run

6th September; Half Marathon, 10km, 5km & 1 Mile Fun Run

These races are held on a 2 lap Half Marathon, 1 lap 10km, 1 lap 5km and a 1 lap fun run

