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# TO REASONS TO RUN KOŠICE MARATHON



#### 1 WE ARE CLOSE

You will quickly find out that Košice is not far at all. Located right in the **heart of Europe** and easily approachable by car or train. City has **good flight connections** to the whole world – over 500 destinations are available with just one stop.

### 2 UNIQUE PRIMACIES

Visit the first European city that achieved municipal coat of arms in 1369. Nowadays the city's proud rests in the oldest marathon in Europe. In 2013 Košice was awarded the title European Capital of Culture and in 2016 became the Best European City of Sports.

# 3 WHERE MODERN MARATHON WAS BORN

You will find yourself in the city where tens of thousands spectators have been cheering for marathon since 1924, where olympic champions conquered the course at the time most of us even hadn't been born yet. Only **Boston** experienced more.

## **4 THE WINNERS GALLERY**

Stay awhile and visit the unique **statue of the Marathon Runner**. Engraved in bronze you can read names of all Košice winners out of which many were **worldwide known champions**.

#### 5 BACK TO 1380

Experience the moment of peace in the easternmost Gothic cathedral in Europe, established in 1380. St Elizabeth Catedhral is a dominant part of the great slovakian historical monument reservation of incalculable value.

## 6 ENJOY KOŠICE

Evening before the marathon start all the runners and tourists are absorbed by the city nightlife and international festival of modern street art White Night (Nuit Blanche). Pubs and restaurants with local and world delicacies, great beer or tasty vine will enchante you.

#### 7 PERFECT COURSE

On Sunday all the athletes will be enjoying one of the world's fastest courses originaly designed for IAAF World Half marathon Championships in 1997. You will run in the footsteps of marathon legends with a good chance to improve your personal best.

#### **8** ECSTATIC ATMOSPHERE

The atmosphere is electrifying. One can't find a lot of other world marathons where almost **each 3rd citizen is applauding all along the course** from start to finish. Generations of Košice citizens understand and truly love marathon.

# 9 EVERYTHING WITHIN REACH

One of the very pleasant features of Košice Marathon is a fact that **all the key points are close together.** From the registration desks to the start gate, from the finish line to the swimming pool or your hotel room. Most of these crucial locations are situated near at hand.

# **10 FAMILY MARATHON**

If you are not a self-traveler but looking for some family trip, the cultural and historical monuments, comfortable hotels and variable accompanying running disciplines may be the **perfect match for you**.



SEE YOU ON OCTOBER 1, 2023

