



# GARDEN SPOT VILLAGE MARATHON





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### Queen of England

As you run past the Overly's Grove park, approximately 1.8 miles from the finish line, be sure to wave to the Queen who thanks you for running the extra 2.2 miles for her convenience.

### The Story Goes...

that Marathon races originated when a soldier named Pheidippides ran from a battlefield in the town of Marathon, Greece, to Athens in 490 B.C., with the good news that Greece had been victorious over the Persians. Legend has it that Pheidippides delivered the momentous news then dropped over dead. Garden Spot Village hopes that you enjoy running our marathon but please do not follow Pheidippides dramatic final example.

During the first Olympic games in 1896 Pheidippides legendary marathon run was revived with a 40,000 meter (24.85 miles) run from Marathon Bridge to the Olympic stadium in Athens. The distance was changed to 26.2 miles in 1908 when the Olympic Games were held in London so that the finish line was in front of the royal family's viewing box. The 2.2 miles was the distance from White City stadium to Windsor Castle. In more casual terms – the distance was increased for the convenience of the queen.

### Please Enjoy Your Run!

Source: [www.athensmarathon.com/marathon/history.html](http://www.athensmarathon.com/marathon/history.html)



### MAP KEY

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| ① Start | ② Finish | ③ Registration<br>Runner's Tent<br>Awards<br>Concessions | ④ Toilets | ⑤ Showers<br>Pool<br>Hot Tub |
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