



Divas Half Marathon womens' race series comes to Vail in August

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Looking for a reason to have a girls' weekend in Vail? The [Divas Half Marathon](#) womens' race series just announced a new event in the Colorado resort town on August 21, 2011.

"Vail recently approached us to host an event and showcase their summer season," said Robert Pozo, founder of the Divas Half Marathon series. "Vail has the beauty and the town is definitely behind it."

The Divas Half Marathon races series, which includes events in [Long Island](#), [Hawaii](#) and [Puerto Rico](#), was created to give women the chance to run events in a supportive environment.

"It's a little safe haven where you can be yourself. If you bend over no guy is checking you out," Pozo said.

Men are technically allowed to participate, but they're not exactly welcome. Only two men ran the inaugural event in Long Island.

"We just make it so darn girly that men don't usually want to sign up. We've got boas and tiaras. When you finish you get a flute of champagne that's given to you by a hunky fire fighter," said Pozo.

If you have a significant other who can't stand to be left out, men are encouraged to volunteer and offer race day support.

"They get to slap on this shirt that says Divas Half Marathon Entourage instead of volunteer," he laughed.

The Vail event features an entire weekend of activities including a two-day health and fitness expo, a Girls' 5k that is open to everyone, a Wine and Cheese Gallery Stroll and a post race party.



And even though Vail is located 8,000 feet above sea level, the race takes place in the valley with very little elevation gain or loss. Pozo hopes the event will draw runners from Colorado and all over the country.

"Yes it's frilly and there's a lot of pink," Pozo said. "But no matter how you look—tall, skinny, fat or whatever--it doesn't matter. It's just coming out and enjoying this all womens' event."

[Check here to register for the Divas Half Marathon at Vail on August 21.](#)

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