



# XTERRA®

## APPALACHIAN TRAIL FEST

## ATHLETE GUIDE





An aerial photograph of a forest with a mix of green and brown trees, suggesting autumn. A dark, calm body of water is visible on the left side of the image. The text 'IMPORTANT DATES' is overlaid in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters in the upper right quadrant.

# IMPORTANT DATES

- **October 15, 2025**
  - **Shirt and Medal  
Registration Cut-Off**
- **November 7, 2025**
  - **Check-in Helena Old Town  
2-8pm**
- **November 8, 2025 Race Day  
at Oak Mountain State Park**



**NOVEMBER 8**

*DISCOVER SHELBY PAVILION,  
OMSP*

- **6am on-site check-in**
- **8am 35K Start**
- **8:05 18K Start**
- **8:30 Youth 5K Start, *Dogwood Pavilion***
- **1pm Awards Ceremony**
- **5pm The Beer Hog Afterparty**

# RACE DAY SCHEDULE





# REGISTRATION AND PARK ENTRY

- On-site Registration is available Friday at packet pickup and Saturday before the race.
- State Park Entry Fee
  - Oak Mountain State Park charges a per-person gate fee. Your Support ensures events like this thrive for years to come

# AID STATIONS & HYDRATION

- Total of 3 Aid Stations
- Primary Aid Station (Mile 6):
  - Snacks, Water, LMNT
- All other aid stations: water only
- Hydration Rule:
  - All 35K and 18K participants must carry a water vessel to enter course.
- This is a CUPless Event.
  - Every participants will receive a reusable silicon cup courtesy of SouthernBiotech + Finish Line Events LLC.
- Littering = Immediate Disqualification.  
No Exceptions





# FINISH LINE FESTIVAL



- WHEN YOU CROSS THE LINE, THE CELEBRATION BEGINS!**
- **APPALACHIAN CULTURE: LOCAL ARTISTS, JUG BANDS, BUTTER CHURNING, BLACKSMITH DEMOS, FOOD VENDORS, LIVE MUSIC**
  - **FAMILY FRIENDLY: BRING YOUR PEOPLE—THEY’LL BE ENTERTAINED WHILE YOU RACE.**

- **PODIUM FINISHERS (35K & 18K): PARTNERING WITH SLOSS METAL ARTS, WINNERS WILL POUR THEIR OWN CUSTOM MOLTEN METAL FINISHER PIECE.**





An aerial photograph of a dense forest with a river winding through it. The trees are mostly green, with some bare branches visible. The river is dark and occupies the left side of the frame.

# ABOUT THE RACE

**BUSINESS IN THE FRONT. PARTY IN THE BACK.**

- **NEW BACKCOUNTRY SECTION (1 MILE): FRESHLY OPENED TRAIL WITH INCREDIBLE VIEWS. WHETHER THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME OR YOUR HUNDREDTH AT OAK MOUNTAIN, YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED.**
- **FIRST MILE: CLOSED ROAD, FAST AND SMOOTH. SPRINT IF YOU WANT TO AVOID CONGESTION.**
- **FRONT HALF: ELEVATION, TECHNICAL TERRAIN, AND SCRAMBLES = "THE BUSINESS."**
- **BACK HALF: ROLLING, DOWNHILL, FAST, AND FUN = "THE PARTY."**
- **35K PARTICIPANTS - LOOK FOR A CLEARLY MARKED FORK LEADING TO LOOP 2 AND YOUR EXCLUSIVE AID STATION.**





**Visit the on-site store selling  
exclusive XTERRA Appalachian Trail Fest  
Merch.**







## CREW SUPPORT

If your friends or family would like to crew for the Xterra Appalachian Trail Fest: Email Jonathan at [jonathan@finish-line-events.com](mailto:jonathan@finish-line-events.com)  
Crew members must be 16 years or older.

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