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Hiking Guide Beginner 25 km 2

Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30 mins	Walking 30 min walk to include 3×5 mins brisk effort, 2 min easy effort recovery	Rest	Walking 10 min steady walking + 10×90 secs brisk uphill efforts with easy walk back recovery + 10 mins steady walking	Rest	Optional cross training (swim, run, bike, cross trainer, rowing) – easy effort, 30 mins	Walking 60 mins easy effort off-road if possible
2	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30 mins	Walking 30 min walk to include 5×4 mins brisk effort, 90 sec easy effort recovery	Rest	Walking 10 min steady walking + 12×90 secs brisk uphill efforts with easy walk back recovery + 10 mins steady walking	Rest	Optional cross training 30 mins easy effort	Walking 70–80 mins easy effort off-road if possible
3	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 40 min walk to include 5×5 mins brisk effort, 90 sec easy effort recovery	Rest	Walking 10 min steady walking + 8×2 mins brisk uphill efforts with easy walk back recovery + 10 mins steady walking	Rest	Optional cross training 30–40 mins easy effort	Walking 1 hr 20–30 mins easy effort off-road if possible
4	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 40 min walk to include 5×5 mins brisk effort, 2 min easy effort recovery	Rest	Walking 10 min steady walking + 10×2 mins brisk uphill efforts with easy walk back recovery + 10 mins steady walking	Rest	Optional cross training 30–40 mins easy effort	Walking 1 hr 30–40 mins easy effort off-road if possible
5	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 20 min walk to include 3×4 mins brisk effort over a hilly route, 2 min easy effort recovery	Rest	Walking 50 min walk to include 4×5 mins brisk effort, 90 sec recovery	Rest	Optional cross training 30–40 mins easy effort	Walking 1 hr 15 mins easy effort off-road if possible



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6	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 45 min walk to include 6×5 mins brisk effort, 90 sec easy recovery	Rest	Walking 10 min steady walking + 8 × 2–3 mins brisk up and downhill efforts with easy walk back recovery + 10 mins steady walking	Rest	Optional cross training 30–40 min easy effort	Walking 1 hr 40–50 mins easy effort, off-road if possible
7	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 45 min walk to include 3×10 mins brisk effort, 120 sec easy recovery	Rest	Walking 10 min steady walking + 3 × 10 mins brisk up and downhill efforts with easy walk back recovery + 10 mins steady walking	Rest	Optional cross training 30–40 min easy effort	Walking 2 hrs easy effort, off-road
8	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 50-60 min walk to include 3×10 mins brisk effort, 90 sec easy recovery	Rest	Optional cross training 45-60 mins easy effort	Rest	30-45 min 'fartlek' walk using landmarks	Walking 2 hr 15 mins off-road
9	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 40 min 'out and back' walk – walk out for 20 mins, turn and get back to the start 2–3 mins quicker	Rest	Optional cross training 45-60 mins easy effort	Rest	30-45 min 'fartlek' walk using landmarks	Walking 2.5 hr walk with the final 60–90 mins to include brisk uphill efforts
10	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 40 min walk to include 4×5 mins brisk effort, 90 sec easy recovery	Rest	Cross training 40 mins easy effort	Rest	Walking 30–40 min easy effort	Walking 3 hrs easy effort



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11	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 50 min 'out and back' walk - walk out for 25 mins, turn and get back to the start 2-3 mins quicker	Rest	Optional cross training 45–60 mins easy effort	Rest	45–60 min 'fartlek' walk using landmarks	2 hr 45 min walk with 2×30 mins at brisk effort over an undulating route
12	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 50 min 'out and back' walk – walk out for 25 mins, turn and get back to the start 2–3 mins quicker	Rest	Optional cross training 45-60 mins	Rest	60 min 'fartlek' walk using landmarks over a hilly route	Walking 3 hrs easy effort
13	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 45-60 min with the final 25 mins at a brisk effort over an undulating route	Rest	Optional cross training 45–60 mins easy effort	Rest	60 min 'fartlek' walk using landmarks	Walking 3 hr 15 min with 5×10 mins at a brisk effort over an undulating route
14	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30-40 mins	Walking 45-60 min with the final 25 mins at a brisk effort over an undulating route	Rest	Optional cross training 45-60 mins	Rest	45 min 'fartlek' walk using landmarks	Walking 1 hr 40 min walk off-road, with the final 60 mins at a brisk effort over hills
15	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30 mins	Walking 40 min walk to include 5×5 mins brisk effort, 90 sec easy recovery	Rest	Optional cross training 30-45 mins	Rest	30 min 'fartlek' walk using landmarks	Walking 70 mins easy, relaxed effort
16	Core and optional walk, easy effort 30 mins	Walking 30-40 min walk to include 3×5 mins brisk effort, 90 secs easy recovery	Rest	Walking 15–20 min easy effort	Rest	25km Trek. Good luck!	Rest



