

The Fittest Swimmers from Around the World Head to Naples This June

DirectRooms.com reports that the waters off Naples will be presenting an exhausting challenge to swimmers as a 36 kilometre race is held in the city in June.

May 5, 2011 (FPRC) -- Only the strongest and most competent swimmers will be able to complete the course of the Marathon of the Capri-Naples Gulf event. On average competitors take between 6 hours and 40 minutes to 7 hours to complete the strenuous distance all the while having to fight against the currents and choppy waters along the way.

No doubt the \$20,000 of prize money will help to spur on the swimmers as they take to the waters from Capri's Marina Grande to the shore of Naples' Via Caracciolo. The race forms one of the certified races making up the Fina World Grand Prix which features ten races all over 15 kilometres. Many world class swimmers take part and the race in Naples is one of the dominant fixtures due to its heritage and the prestige associated with winning.

In 2010 a total of 499 swimmers entered made up of 382 males and 117 women, while this year's race is expected to consist of a similar number of contestants. The quality of athletes entering is also likely to make a significant challenge to beat Paul Asmuth's record achieved in 1982 of 6 hours and 35 minutes.

Lek Boonlert, marketing head at DirectRooms.com commented: 'The swim is famous worldwide and many people turn out to watch. Finding hotels in Naples for 19th June when the race runs won't be easy so people should check online to find the best locations.'

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