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Martina Grimaldi [en]

Place of birth: Bologna **Date of birth:** 28 September 1988 **Height:** 172 cm **Weight:** 65 kg **Sport**: Open water swimming **Discipline/Event:** 10 Km - 25 km **Occupation:** Police officer (Agente Scelto) **Original club**: C.N. Uisp Bologna **Present club: F**iamme Oro

Her international career started in 2006 with a 6th place in the 5 km open water event at the European Swimming Championships in Budapest. The following year Martina appeared at the World Championships in Melbourne, Australia, where she finished 6th in the same event.

In 2008 she seized her first important medal, getting a silver in the 10 km women's open water marathon at the European Championships in Dubrovnik, narrowly missing the bronze medal in the 25 km event.

Martina appeared at the 2008 Beijing Olympics, where she finished only 10th , but at the Rome World Championships in 2009 she won the bronze medal in the 10 km open water event.

Her gold medal dreams came true at the 2010 World Championships in Roberval (Canada) where she competed in the 10 km open water event, and went on winning in 2011, seizing a silver medal in the same event at the World Championships in *Shanghai*and a gold medal at the European Championships held in Eilat (Israel).

In London she was among the leading contenders in the fight for an Olympic medal. In fact, she won a fine bronze medal after a very hard race, the only swimming medal for Italy in the 2012 Olympic Games.

In 2013, she won the world championships in Barcelona in the 25 km event.

Results

Olympic Games 2012 - London (GB) Bronze - Women's 10km Marathon

World Championships 2013 - Barcelona (Spain) - Gold - 25 km 2011 - Shanghai (China) -Silver - 10 km 2011 - Shanghai (China) - 5th place - 25 km 2009 - Rome - Bronze - 10 km

World Open Water Swimming Championships 2010 - Roberval (Canada) - Gold

European Championships 2012 - Piombino (Italy) - Gold - 10 km 2012 - Piombino (Italy) - Bronze - 25 km 2011 - Eilat (Israel) - Gold - 10 km 2010 - Budapest (Hungary) - Bronze - 25 km 2008 - Dubrovnik (Croatia) - Silver - 10 km 2008 - Dubrovnik (Croatia) - - 4th place - 25 km 2006 - Budapest (Hungary) - - 6th place - 5 km

Fina 10km Marathon Swimming Word Cup 2013 - Fina Gran Prix - Capri (Italy) - Gold 2013 - Fina Gran Prix - Ohrid Lake (Macedonia) - Gold 2013 - Fina Gran Prix - Cozumel (Mexico) - Gold 2012 - Santos (Brasil) - Gold - 10 km 2010 - Santos (Brasil) - Silver - 10 km 2010 - Setubal (Portugal) - Gold - 10 km 2009 - Santos (Brasil) - 4th place - 10 km 2008 - Dubai (United Arab Emirates) - Bronze - 10 km 2007 - Wien (Austria) - Gold - 10 km

Italian Championships 2011 - Gold (10km marathon) - Silver (25 km) - Bronze (5 km) 2011 - Bronze

(1500m freestyle) - Silver (5000m freestyle) 2010 - Silver (10 km marathon) - Silver (25 km) - Silver (5 km) 2009 - Gold (10 km) - Gold (25 km) - Gold (5 km) 2009 - Bronze (1500 freestyle) - Silver (5000 freestyle) - Silver (4x200 freestyle) 2008 - Silver (10 km marathon) - Gold (25 km) - Silver (5 km) - Bronze (5 km crono) 2008 - 2 Bronze (800m freestyle) - Bronze (5000m freestyle) - Bronze (400m individual medley) 2007 - Bronze (10 km marathon) - Gold (5 km) 2007 - Silver and Bronze (1500m freestyle) - 2 Silver (400m individual medley) 2006 - Bronze (5 km) 2006 - Bronze (800m freestyle) - 2 Bronze (5000m freestyle) 2005 - Silver (1500m freestyle) - Silver and Bronze (400m individual medley)

Italian version

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