



**Susie Maroney, OAM, Honor Swimmer, Australia,  
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Personal Website (None known)

**Susie Maroney** established the record for the double-crossing of the English Channel in 17 hours 15 minutes in 1991. She swam around 48 km (28.5 miles) Manhattan Island four times, winning twice in 1990 and 1994, setting a record in 7 hours 27 seconds. She did a well-publicized 180K (111.8-mile) swim from Cuba to the USA in 1996 and a 38-hour 200 km (124-mile) swim in 1999 from Cuba to Florida (that do not qualify for International Marathon Swimming Hall of Fame consideration due to use of a shark cage and wetsuit). At 15, Susie was the youngest and fastest Australian to swim the English Channel. She also swam from Mexico to Cuba, secured a Guinness Book of World Records listing for the longest distance swum in 24 hours (93.6 km or 58 miles), the fastest swim in the Manhattan Island Marathon Race in 7 hours 7 minutes, the 26 km (16-mile) Lake Zurich Marathon Race in 6 hours and 3 minutes, and swimming from the Sydney Opera House at Circular Quay to Manly Wharf as a farewell swim.

Her awards include the Order of Australia, and Outstanding Achievement Award from the NSW Government. Susie is the Ambassador for the Asthma Foundation, Ambassador for Special Olympics Australia and spokesperson for the Leukemia Foundation.

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