

# Premium Economy at Austrian Airlines Now Available



- **New travel class for all long-haul routes now bookable for flights starting March 2018**
- **Refitting of first Boeing 767 begins today, entire fleet will be converted by the spring of 2018**
- **Additional service, more legroom and extra baggage allowance in the new Premium Economy**

Effective immediately, Austrian Airlines passengers can book a seat in the new Premium Economy travel class for flights starting on March 6, 2018. The centerpiece of the new Premium Economy Class is a new seat providing passengers with more comfort on their journey compared to regular Economy Class seats. The first Boeing 767 will begin to be refitted today. All eleven long-haul aircraft in the Austrian Airlines fleet will gradually be refitted to include the new travel class. The twelfth long-haul aircraft to be acquired by Austrian Airlines in the spring of 2018 will also be equipped with Premium Economy.

“The new Premium Economy Class is an important milestone in our strategy aimed at linking the issue of individualization with quality. The customer can individually choose the travel class according to her or his needs, whether the preference is to fly in a price conscious manner in Economy Class, treat

oneself to a little more service and comfort in Premium Economy or luxury travel in Business Class”, says Austrian Airlines CCO Andreas Otto. In particular, the new Premium Economy Class is designed to appeal to passengers who want to afford more service and a higher level of comfort on flights to their holiday destinations as well as price-conscious companies whose employees should travel in comfort on business trips.



## The new Premium Economy Class at a glance:

- New seat with a broader seat surface and generous seat spacing
- Footrest starting in the second row or leg support with integrated footrest in the first row
- Always a separate central armrest with fold-out table and cocktail table

- 12-inch screen with remote control for the in-flight entertainment system
- Own power outlet and USB port on the seat
- 2 x 23 kg free baggage
- High-quality food selection with menu card
- Welcome drink
- Amenity kit with useful travel accessories

### **More space with the new seat**

The Premium Economy seat produced specially for the Lufthansa Group is supplied by the aircraft seat manufacturer ZIM, and provides passengers with plenty of legroom based on seat spacing of up to 97 cm or 38 inches. Additional footrests take the strain off the legs on a long flight. The central armrest with fold-out table between the seats and a personal, broad armrest for every passenger enables more privacy and more room on the side. In addition, every seat is equipped with its own power outlet and USB port.

### **More service in the new travel class**

The new Premium Economy Class offers much more than a considerably more comfortable seat. Passengers in the new

travel class can check in two pieces of luggage at no charge, each with an allowable weight of up to 23 kilograms before being pampered on board with culinary delights. Travelers conveniently select their favorite food from the menu card, and the food is served on china dishware. Moreover, every passenger in this travel class is given a small amenity kit with useful travel accessories to ensure a restful stay on board. Premium Economy passengers enjoy the extensive in-flight entertainment programme on large 12-inch touchscreen monitors.

Flights in Premium Economy Class can be booked as of now, via Internet, on the Austrian Airlines booking hotline at 05 1766-1000 or at a travel agency. Premium Economy fares range between Business Class and Economy Class. For example, the round-trip Vienna-Bangkok-Vienna flight is available starting at EUR 839 including taxes and charges.

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## [Keflavik Airport introduces Israel to its network](#)



Having already launched an exceptional 21 new routes so far in

2017, Keflavik Airport has further expanded its route network by welcoming the arrival of a direct link to Tel Aviv. Adding its second new country market this summer, Keflavik Airport celebrated the commencement of WOW air's four times weekly service to the Israeli city.

Connecting the Icelandic hub to Israel for the first time, the Middle Eastern country becomes the low-cost carrier's 14<sup>th</sup> country market served from Keflavik – and the airport's 28<sup>th</sup>. Now offering close to 38,000 weekly one-way seats to 30 destinations from Keflavik, WOW air faces no direct competition on its latest service which utilises the carrier's fleet of 220-seat A321s on the 5,272 kilometre-sector.

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## Ryanair's New Baggage Policy



### **Q1. What is Ryanair's new baggage policy?**

A. From November, we will cut the cost of a checked bag from €/£35 to €/£25 and increase the bag size from 15kg to 20kg.

- The check-in bag allowance will increase from 15kgs to 20kgs for all bags
- The standard check-in bag fee will be cut from €/£35 to €/£25 for this 20kg bag

- Only Priority Boarding customers (including Plus passengers) will be allowed to bring two carry-on bags on the aircraft
- All other (i.e. non-priority) customers will only be allowed to bring one smaller carry-on bag on board the aircraft, while their second (bigger) wheelie bag must be placed in the hold (free of charge) at the boarding gate.

### **Q2. Why is Ryanair making this change?**

A. To reduce the number of flight delays caused by too many customers arriving at the gate with 2 carry-on bags.

### **Q3. Will customers still be able to take 2 pieces of cabin baggage on board?**

A. Yes for Priority Boarding customers who will still be able to bring 2 bags, 1 normal (55cm x 40cm x 20cm) and 1 small (35cm x 20cm x 20cm) into the cabin.

B. No for non-priority customers who will put their bigger (wheelie) cabin bag in the hold (free of charge), and will be able to take their smaller bag into the cabin.

### **Q4. How will this change be implemented?**

A. There will be two queues at the gate: Priority customers 2/bags and non-priority/1 bag only.

### **Q5. How much is Priority Boarding and can it be added to bookings?**

A. €/£5 at the time of the flight booking. It can be added after booking (for €/£6) up to 1 hour before the scheduled flight departure time, via the Ryanair app.

### **Q6. What about 15kg bags?**

A. The 15kg bag will increase to 20kg.

**Q7. Will non-priority customers be able to check their normal cabin bag at the check-in desk instead of the boarding gate?**

A. No, all cabin bags must be brought to the boarding gate where the bigger one will be placed in the hold, free of charge.

**Q8. What about bookings before the new policy was implemented?**

A. The new baggage policy will start on 1<sup>st</sup> November, and will apply to all bookings made before and after 1<sup>st</sup> Nov, and flights from that date onwards.

**Q9. What if non-priority customers refuse to put their bag in the hold?**

A. They will not be allowed to travel (without refunds).

**Q10. What about customers with infants; can they still bring a changing bag?**

A. Yes. A small (5kg) baby bag may be carried by customers with infants.

**Q11. Why is there a €/£10 supplement at Easter, Christmas and on longer routes during the peak summer months?**

A. The €/£10 supplement reflects the increased handling costs of significant additional checked bags during these busy periods.

**Q12. Will it still be cheaper to book a checked-in bag at the time of booking?**

A. Yes. The 20kg bag will be reduced in price to €/£25 at the time of booking only. Checked-in bags added after the time of booking or made at the airport will cost €/£40.

**Q13. Where can I find the routes where the supplement applies?**

A. These selected routes will be highlighted on the website and in the app from today.

**Q14. What about customers with waivers for medical items – can they still take them onboard?**

A. Yes, subject to contacting our special assistance line in advance and complying with any requirements of our special assistance team.

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## **Les deux futurs musées Yves Saint Laurent ouvriront en octobre à Paris et Marrakech**



Les deux musées consacrés entièrement à l'œuvre du couturier Yves Saint Laurent (1936-2008) ouvriront leurs portes le 3 octobre à Paris et le 19 octobre à Marrakech.

### **UN PATRIMOINE UNIQUE**

La Fondation Pierre Bergé – Yves Saint Laurent a pour mission première la conservation de 40 années de création du couturier



(1962-2002). Elle possède plus de 5 000 vêtements de haute couture, 15 000 accessoires et des dizaines de milliers de croquis, planches de collection, photographies, articles de presse et documents divers qui témoignent de son génie.

Cette collection est sans équivalent dans le milieu de la haute couture internationale.

Véritable précurseur, Yves Saint Laurent est en effet le seul couturier de sa génération à avoir, dès la création de sa maison de couture en 1961, décidé d'archiver tout son travail. Du croquis original aux prototypes qui ont défilé, en passant par les fiches de manutention et les cahiers de vendeuses, le fonds constitué est unique en son genre. La conservatrice du patrimoine Aurélie Samuel vient d'être nommée directrice des Collections et a rejoint la Fondation en début d'année 2017.



## MUSÉE YVES SAINT LAURENT PARIS

Le musée parisien occupera la maison de couture historique du 5 avenue Marceau où naquirent durant près de 30 ans, de 1974 à 2002, les créations d'Yves Saint Laurent, et où siège la Fondation depuis 2004. Une présentation sans cesse renouvelée

permettra au public de se rendre compte de la richesse de ce patrimoine. Les anciens salons de haute couture ainsi que le studio de création d'Yves Saint Laurent seront intégrés dans le parcours, plongeant ainsi le visiteur au cœur du processus de création de la maison de couture.

La scénographe Nathalie Crinière et le décorateur Jacques Grange, qui ont tous deux collaboré à de nombreux projets de la Fondation, ont repensé les espaces d'exposition dont la superficie sera doublée et qui seront aménagés dans l'ambiance originelle de la maison de haute couture. La Fondation Pierre Bergé – Yves Saint Laurent a présenté en douze années plus d'une vingtaine d'expositions dédiées à l'art, à la mode et au design, dont notamment Yves Saint Laurent, Dialogue avec l'art, 2004 ; Vanité. Mort, que me veux-tu ?, 2010 ; David Hockney : Fleurs fraîches, 2010 ; Du côté de chez Jacques-Emile Blanche, 2012 ; Hedi Slimane, Sonic, 2014 ; Yves Saint Laurent 1971, La collection du scandale, 2015 ; Jacques Doucet – Yves Saint Laurent, Vivre pour l'art, 2015.

## **MUSÉE YVES SAINT LAURENT MARRAKECH**

Le musée Yves Saint Laurent à Marrakech se veut comme un hommage à la ville découverte par le créateur dès 1966 et où il séjourna régulièrement. L'importance du Maroc dans son oeuvre fut telle qu'il était naturel d'y construire un musée à partir des collections de la Fondation.

Il sera situé Rue Yves Saint Laurent à proximité du Jardin Majorelle qu'il a, avec Pierre Bergé, sauvé d'une disparition certaine en 1980 et qui est devenu aujourd'hui, avec son musée berbère, un rendez-vous incontournable à Marrakech avec près de 700 000 visiteurs par an.



La conception de ce projet a été confiée au cabinet

d'architectes français Studio K0 qui ont réalisé de nombreux projets au Maroc, en Europe et aux Etats-Unis. Ce nouveau bâtiment, d'une surface totale de 4 000 m<sup>2</sup>, a été pensé comme un centre culturel: il comprendra un espace d'exposition permanente présentant l'œuvre d'Yves Saint Laurent dans une scénographie originale de Christophe Martin, une salle d'exposition temporaire, un auditorium, une bibliothèque de recherche et un café-restaurant.



Ces deux nouveaux musées s'adressent aux passionnés de mode et d'art mais également à un large public désireux de découvrir l'oeuvre d'Yves Saint Laurent, artiste majeur de l'histoire du XXème siècle.

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# airBaltic Continues its Summer of Records

**Riga.** Provisional data show that in August 2017, the Latvian airline *airBaltic* carried more than 380 000 passengers or roughly 20% more than in the same period of 2016. For the third month in a row it has been the biggest number of transported passengers in the airline's history. During the three summer months, *airBaltic* has transported a total of more than 1 150 000 passengers to its network spanning Europe, Scandinavia, Russia, CIS and the Middle East.



Martin Gauss, Chief Executive Officer of *airBaltic*: "Such a strong summer would not have been possible without the addition of seven brand new *Bombardier CS300* aircraft. They have outperformed our expectations. Last week, for example, our latest addition to the fleet, YL-CSG, spent 100 hours in the air, which is a global *C Series* record."

"When we worked on the *Horizon 2021* business plan a few years ago, we set rather high ambitions for the airline. Still, we never expected to see such rapid growth such early. We hope to finish 2017 with excellent results, as our winter sales look rather promising as well," Gauss noted.

Thus far, *airBaltic* has completed more than 3 527 scheduled flights and flown over 9 319 block hours with the brand new *Bombardier CS300* aircraft. As of now already every fourth passenger of *airBaltic* is flying *CS300*.

For the summer season of 2018 *airBaltic* has added Malaga (Spain), Lisbon (Portugal), Split (Croatia), Bordeaux (France) and Gdansk (Poland). A complete schedule of *airBaltic* flights can be found on the company's

homepage at [www.airbaltic.com](http://www.airbaltic.com).

*airBaltic* operates direct flights from Riga to over 60 destinations. *airBaltic* offers convenient connections via Riga to its network spanning Europe, Scandinavia, the CIS and the Middle East. In addition, *airBaltic* also offers direct flights from Tallinn and Vilnius.

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## Iedereen naar Londen deze herfst!



Photo SNCF

Het schooljaar begint binnenkort opnieuw en het is tijd om de strandtas in de kast op te bergen. Het einde van de zomer komt wat zachter aan door meteen een citytrip voor de herfst te plannen. Er zijn goede redenen in overvloed om naar Londen te trekken. De Eurostar-buitenkans maakt het extra makkelijk om "Yes!" te zeggen tegen een ritje richting Britse hoofdstad.

Nog wat extra citytrip-argumenten nodig voor Londen?

Van 2 tot 8 oktober vindt **London Cocktail Week** plaats. Londense bars bieden een selectie cocktails tegen gereduceerde prijzen en onthullen hun specialiteiten.

In oktober presenteert een groep Londense chefs de diversiteit van de Britse gastronomie aan het grote publiek tijdens het **London Restaurant Festival**. Op



14 oktober viert **Africa on the Square** op Trafalgar Square de Afrikaanse cultuur met tal van activiteiten: concerten, dansoptredens, modeshows en markten. De volgende dag is het **Diwali**, het Indiase 'festival van lichten', een kleurrijk evenement met muziek, dans en verhalen.

Tijdens Halloween wordt Londen van 27 oktober tot 5 november het decor voor angstaanjagende taferelen: spookplaatsen, boeiende familieactiviteiten, een Ghost Bus die de strooptochten van Jack the Ripper volgt tijdens een 'Jack The Ripper Ghost Walk'...

Van 1 oktober tot 12 november kunnen fans van Harry Potter hun verdedigingstechnieken tegen de Zwarte Kunsten oefenen, terwijl ze door een spookachtige Wegisweg lopen, gepatrouilleerd door Dooddoeners.

Van 5 tot 8 oktober vindt in Regent's Park opnieuw de Frieze Art Fair plaats, die het beste van de hedendaagse kunst verzamelt. De 'Frieze Masters' stellen ook kunst van oude meesters tot eind 20ste eeuw voor.

Van 10 t.e.m. 19 november opent de 25ste editie van London Jazz Festival haar deuren. Internationale sterren spelen er zij aan zij met muzikanten uit de Britse jazzscene.

**\*\* Richting Londen voor een klein prijsje met Eurostar \*\***

Van 29 augustus tot en met 11 september 2017 biedt Eurostar 16.500 tickets naar Londen vanuit Brussel, Rijsel en Calais vanaf € 34 enkele reis en vanuit elk ander Belgisch station vanaf € 41 enkele reis. De tickets zijn geldig voor reizen tussen 28 september en 9 december 2017, op basis van een verplichte retour.\*

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# Budapest Airport's route to Russia with Wizz Air

foto Russian Aviation Insider.



**Celebrating the resumption of a direct link to St. Petersburg, Budapest Airport welcomed Wizz Air's twice-weekly service which commenced on 27 August. With its new link to the Russian port city, Wizz Air now offers 245 weekly flights from Budapest and close to 4.5 million seats in total from Hungary's capital city throughout the year.**

As part of Budapest Airport's strategy to further develop its route network to the east, the Hungarian gateway launched its second link to Russia when it celebrated Wizz Air's new service to St. Petersburg. Last flown in 2014, the ultra-low-cost carrier's (ULCC) resumption of the highly demanded link will see Russia become Budapest's 12th largest country market served. With an overall potential market for the direct link expected to be 30,000 passengers, the ULCC will launch the route as a twice-weekly service to Russia's second largest city. The start of W17/18 will see the frequency increase to three times weekly, with an additional service to be added by S18, resulting in the route being operated Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Serving both business travellers and tourists alike the link will remove the need to connect via other Eastern hubs.

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# Cathay Pacific to connect Brussels Airport and Hong Kong



*As of 25 March 2018, Cathay Pacific will be operating a nonstop service to Hong Kong from Brussels Airport. Following direct flights to Beijing, Tokyo, Bangkok, Shanghai and Mumbai, Brussels Airport is further strengthening its Asian network thereby confirming the attractiveness of the Belgian market. Brussels Airport will be the 13<sup>th</sup> direct European destination in Cathay Pacific's network.*

One World alliance member Cathay Pacific will operate four flights a week from Brussels Airport using an Airbus A350, on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. Flights will arrive at Brussels Airport around 7 am and will return to Hong Kong in the early afternoon around 1 pm.

The negotiations with Cathay Pacific started over three years ago and got in a final stage in the summer of 2017. The attractiveness of the Belgian market and the quality of the infrastructure at Brussels Airport have convinced the Asian carrier to start operations in Brussels on 25 March 2018.



“We are delighted to welcome Cathay Pacific to Brussels Airport. Cathay Pacific is one of the best airlines in the world renowned for the quality of its passenger service. Passengers departing from



Brussels Airport will not only benefit from a nonstop service to Hong Kong but also from the numerous connections to the wide Asian and Pacific region which Cathay Pacific provides from its hub in Hong Kong. This is an important step in the development of direct connections between Belgium and Asia”, says Arnaud Feist, CEO of Brussels Airport Company.

Cathay Pacific Chief Executive Officer Rupert Hogg: “We’re excited to offer the only direct flights between Hong Kong and Brussels. It is a fantastic destination and attracts business and leisure travellers from the world over. We listened to our customers’ demands for more options and greater flexibility and have responded by building direct air links with this great city.”

Last year, about 50,000 passengers travelled between Hong Kong and Belgium. The direct route to Hong Kong holds a huge potential for Belgian business travellers who place Hong Kong as the number 1 most wanted destination as it offers convenient onward connections to China, the Philippines, Indonesia, Vietnam, Australia, etc.

Currently, 11% of Belgian export is going to Asia and the trend is on the up. To support the economic growth of our country and our businesses, Brussels Airport aims to seize any opportunity to expand its network and further develop direct connections between Belgium and emerging countries.

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# 700.000 passagers ont déjà profité de l'effet « Dreamliner » avec AIR EUROPA !



*Jusqu'au mois de juin dernier, ils ont volé sur l'un de 8 Boeing 787-8 que la compagnie aérienne a incorporé à sa flotte long-courrier en un peu plus d'un an.*

*Sept-cent mille passagers déjà ont profité de l'effet bien connu du Dreamliner, en volant sur l'un des 8 Boeing B787-8 qui forment la flotte transocéanique d'AIR EUROPA.*

En un peu plus d'un an, plus précisément entre avril 2016 (date à laquelle la compagnie a mis en ligne son premier Dreamliner ) et juin dernier, , la division aérienne du groupe touristique **Globalia** a transporté quelques 700.000 passagers vers Miami, Bogota, Saint-Domingue, Buenos Aires, La Havane, Lima et Tel Aviv, routes assurées par les huit B787-8 qu'**AIR EUROPA** a incorporé à sa flotte au fur et à mesure de la réception des avions.

Le premier Dreamliner d'**AIR EUROPA**, l'avion leader en matière de technologie qui combine une ambiance exceptionnelle dans une configuration intérieure plus confortable tout en réduisant de 40 minutes les temps de vol, a intégré la flotte long-courrier en avril de l'année passée et assure, jusqu'à ce jour la liaison vers Miami.

**AIR EUROPA** est devenue la première compagnie espagnole à mettre en ligne cet avion de dernière génération grâce auquel elle est devenue la compagnie aérienne de référence entre l'Europe et les Amériques. En incorporant son 8<sup>e</sup> Boeing 787-8, la compagnie poursuit son plan de modernisation et s'engage dans la seconde grande phase de rénovation de sa flotte long-courrier, avec l'arrivée progressive, entre 2018 et 2022, d'un total de 16 Boeing 787-9. Concrètement, elle recevra l'année prochaine les deux premiers exemplaires, qui seront suivis progressivement par le reste de la commande.

Les nouveaux B787-8, avec une capacité de 296 sièges, peuvent compter sur une série d'avancées technologiques qui augmentent l'efficacité en terme de consommation de carburant, et qui génèrent aussi moins d'émissions nocives en comparaison d'autres appareils similaires. En plus d'un impact acoustique très inférieur aux autres avions, la cabine du 787 est pressurisée à 609,6 mètres de moins que la plupart des avions, ce qui permet aux passagers d'arriver plus reposés à leur destination.

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*Air Europa propose des tarifs très concurrentiels en classe économique et en classe business. Spécialiste des vols intérieurs espagnols et des vols intercontinentaux vers l'Amérique latine, Air Europa est également membre de Skyteam. Les passagers peuvent ainsi bénéficier des avantages du programme de fidélisation SUMA d'Air Europa.*

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# Round-trip from Cracow to Gdansk on board LOT Polish Airlines!



Panorama of Cracow, Poland, with Vistula riverbank, harbor, park, Wawel Hill and cathedral towers



Explore two marvelous Polish cities in one go thanks to our convenient connection.

LOT Polish Airlines have prepared a special offer for the passengers who do not want to waste their time and money and experience a pleasure flight from Gdansk to Krakow. What is more, there are many possibilities to purchase cheap plane tickets from Gdansk to Krakow. As a result there are more and more flights from Gdansk to Krakow. Krakow is a fascinating place which is worth to take the tour.



During the stay in Gdansk, it is a great idea to organize a one day trip to Krakow to discover the city, learn something about the history of Poland and drink a tea at Main Market Square which is located in the Old Town. Thanks to fast plane journey it is possible. The journey lasts about 1 hour and 20 minutes. It is the fastest way to take the distance.

**Gdansk** was destroyed during the World War II and later regained its glory to become one of the most vibrant cities in Poland. As the city lies on the Baltic coast, the symbol of Gdansk is the Neptune's Fountain. Together with Gdynia and Sopot, the cities form a metropolitan area called the Tricity. The beautiful long beaches and piers make it a very attractive destination. The Gdansk Shipyard is the reminiscent of the Solidarity movement – it was the former workplace of Lech Walesa, the first President of Poland after the fall of communism.

**Cracow – Gdansk**

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**L03502 18:20 – 19:40 1234567**

**Gdansk – Cracow**

**L03503 08:40 – 10:00 1.3..6.**  
**L03501 20:20 – 21:40 1234567**

