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Norwegian Celebrates Inaugural Flights between London Gatwick and Orlando

On Saturday afternoon, Norwegian's first flight from London Gatwick to Orlando International Airport (MCO) in Florida, took off.

"Norwegian already flies between Orlando and Oslo, and this is a very popular route both for Americans and Europeans. We're therefore very happy to celebrate these new routes between London and Orlando. Earlier this week we also celebrated our very first flight between Copenhagen and Orlando. The travelling public deserves affordable fares and flexible tickets across the Atlantic," said Chief Commercial Officer Thomas Ramdahl of Norwegian.

There will be one weekly departure (on Saturdays) between London Gatwick and Orlando. In 2013, Norwegian commenced its long-haul operation by being the only low-cost carrier to offer transatlantic flights between the U.S. and Europe. By 2017, Norwegian will have a fleet of 17 Dreamliners, whereof seven are currently in service. The company is planning to expand its long-haul fleet with even more 787 Dreamliners.

Norwegian offers long-haul flights between the following destinations:

Routes from Bangkok (BKK): Oslo (OSL), Stockholm (ARN) and Copenhagen (CPH)

Routes from New York (JFK): Oslo (OSL), Stockholm (ARN), Copenhagen (CPH), Bergen (BGO) and London (LGW)

Routes from Fort Lauderdale (FLL): Oslo (OSL), Stockholm (ARN),

Copenhagen (CPH) and London (LGW)

Routes from Los Angeles (LAX): Oslo (OSL), Stockholm (ARN), Copenhagen (CPH) and London (LGW)

Routes from San Francisco (OAK): Oslo (OSL) and Stockholm (ARN) Routes from Orlando (MCO): Oslo (OSL), Copenhagen (CPH) and London

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Norwegian Air Shuttle ASA, commercially branded "Norwegian", is a low-cost airline listed on the Oslo Stock Exchange. Norwegian is the second largest airline in Scandinavia and third largest low cost carrier in Europe. The company reported its highest ever passenger figures in a single year with almost 24 million passengers in 2014. Norwegian has a route portfolio that stretches across Europe into North Africa and the Middle East, as well as long-haul flights to the US and Southeast Asia. The company has a total of 424 routes to 130 destinations and employs approximately 4,500 people in Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Estonia, UK, Spain and Thailand. The company has 258 undelivered aircraft on firm order. Norwegian was founded in 1993 and its headquarter is in Fornebu, Norway. Norwegian offers better leg room than most competitors, in-flight WiFi on short haul, world-class punctuality and a fleet of 96 aircraft with an average age of only four years. In 2013 and 2014, Norwegian was voted Europe's best low-cost carrier of the year by the renowned SkyTrax World Airline Awards. In 2014, Norwegian also won three prizes at the prestigious Passenger Choice Awards for Best Airline in Europe, Best Inflight Connectivity & Communications and Best Single Achievement in Passenger Experience for its moving map on the 787 Dreamliners. In addition, Norwegian was awarded Europe's best low-cost airline by AirlineRatings.com for the second year running.

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