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Norwegian takes delivery of final Boeing 737-800 aircraft

Norwegian, the [World's Best Low-Cost Long-Haul Airline](#), today took delivery of its 100th direct buy Boeing 737-800 aircraft, the last of this aircraft type in its fleet. Norwegian originally ordered 42 737-800 in 2007 and leased 26 of these aircraft between 2008 and 2016. The airline now has a total of 118 737-800 aircraft in its fleet.

“Today’s delivery marks the end of an era for Norwegian. When we first introduced the Boeing 737-800 aircraft to our fleet ten years ago, we did so because it was a modern aircraft with a record of reliability, fuel efficiency

and low operating costs,” said **Bjørn Kjos, CEO of Norwegian**. “Now, at the dawn of a new era, our fleet expansion will continue with more environmentally friendly aircraft as we prepare to take delivery of more than 100 Boeing 737 MAX aircraft over the next few years.”

In 2017, Norwegian took delivery of the first six of 110 Boeing 737 MAX aircraft the airline has on order. These initial aircraft were used to launch the airline’s service between the Northeastern United States and six European destinations, primarily in Ireland. The 737 MAX is more fuel efficient and environmentally friendly than its predecessor, and after operating the aircraft since July 2017, Norwegian can confirm that this aircraft burns 18 percent less fuel than the 737-800. With this newer aircraft type, Norwegian is able to realise lower operating costs because of its fuel efficiency, seat capacity and overall range.

Norwegian will take delivery of 12 Boeing 737 MAX aircraft in 2018, which will allow the airline to launch additional medium-haul routes throughout its global network.

Norwegian in the UK:

- Norwegian carries **5.8 million UK passengers each year** from London Gatwick, Edinburgh and Manchester Airports to **50 destinations worldwide**
- Norwegian is the **third largest airline at London Gatwick**, with 4.6 million yearly passengers, and with more than 1,000 UK-based pilots and cabin crew
- In 2014, Norwegian introduced the **UK’s first low-cost, long haul flights to the U.S.** - the airline now flies to 11 U.S destinations, Buenos Aires and Singapore
- In 2017, Norwegian also launched **affordable transatlantic flights from Edinburgh, Belfast, Dublin, Cork and Shannon** to the US East Coast, using the brand new Boeing 737 MAX aircraft
- Norwegian is the only airline to offer **free inflight WiFi** on UK flights to more than 30 European destinations
- The airline has one of the **youngest aircraft fleets in the world** with an average age of 3.6 years, including next-generation Boeing 787 Dreamliners, Boeing 737 MAX and Boeing 737-800s
- Norwegian has been **voted ‘Europe’s best low-cost carrier’** by

passengers for five consecutive years at SkyTrax World Airline Awards from 2013-2017, along with being awarded the **'World's best low-cost long-haul airline'** in 2015, 2016 and 2017

- Norwegian Reward is the airline's free to join **award-winning loyalty programme** offering members CashPoints and Rewards that reduce the cost of Norwegian flights

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