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American Airlines Announces New Service from PHL Airport

PHILADELPHIA — American Airlines announced today it will begin year-round, non-stop flights between Philadelphia International Airport (PHL) and four new cities beginning in 2018: San Antonio (SAT), Texas; Madison (MSN), Wisconsin; Des Moines (DSM), Iowa; and Omaha (OMA), Nebraska. In addition, the airline announced that it would upgrade one of its daily flights to Los Angeles (LAX) with A-330-200 aircraft, increasing capacity on that route.

The PHL-San Antonio service will begin February 15, while the flights to Des Moines, Madison and Omaha start on May 4. The PHL-LAX upgraded frequency starts March 25.

Des Moines will become a new destination not currently served by any carrier at PHL. American is resuming service to San Antonio after a 2-year hiatus.

Frontier Airlines announced plans recently to begin seasonal service to Madison and Omaha. Frontier is currently the only carrier at PHL that offers non-stop flights to San Antonio.

"We are very excited that American is continuing to bolster its service in Philadelphia," said Airport CEO Chellie Cameron. "Adding these routes to American's network at its PHL hub will not only make travel more accessible between these cities, and it will also facilitate connections at American's transatlantic gateway."

"These new domestic markets are important and will complement the recently announced international destinations from our Philadelphia hub," said Vasu Raja, American's vice president, Network and Schedule Planning. "American offers more non-stop flights than all other airlines combined at PHL and we are excited to add to that roster."

In August, American announced new service from PHL to Budapest, Prague and Zurich. American serves 116 destinations from PHL with nearly 400 daily departures.

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PHL - San Antonio: Departs PHL at 6:35pm, Arrives SAT 9:31pm

San Antonio – PHL: Departs SAT at 7:35am, Arrives PHL at 12:15pm

Route to be served with A-319 aircraft. All times are local.

PHL – Madison: Departs PHL at 10:30am; Arrives MSN at Noon

Madison – PHL: Departs MSN at 12:40pm; Arrives PHL at 3:55pm

Route to be served with Embraer 175 aircraft. All times are local.

PHL – Des Moines: Departs PHL at 11:05am; Arrives DSM at 1:01pm; Departs PHL at 6:05pm; Arrives DSM at 8:09pm

Des Moines – PHL: Departs DSM at 6:25am; Arrives PHL at 10am; Departs DSM at 1:31pm; Arrives PHL at 5:07pm

Route to be served with Embraer 175 aircraft. All times are local.

PHL – Omaha: Departs PHL at 10:30am; Arrives OMA at 12:35pm; Departs PHL at 5:39pm; Arrives OMA at 7:52pm

Omaha – PHL: Departs OMA at 5:54am; Arrives PHL at 9:50am; Departs OMA at 1:05pm; Arrives PHL at 4:59pm

Route to be served with Embraer 175 aircraft. All times are local.

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Philadelphia International Airport is owned and operated by the City of Philadelphia. The Airport is a self-sustaining entity that operates without the use of local tax dollars. It is one of the largest economic engines in Pennsylvania, generating an estimated \$15.4 billion in spending annually and supporting more than 96,300 full-time jobs for the 11-county Philadelphia MSA.