Airlines To Add More Flights to London Heathrow from PHL

American Airlines and Delta Air Lines to add nonstop flights in 2015

PHILADELPHIA – Beginning next spring, travelers will have more flight options from Philadelphia International Airport (PHL) to London Heathrow International Airport (LHR) when American Airlines and Delta Air Lines add service to the most popular European destination from Philadelphia. American, the largest carrier at PHL and the world’s largest airline, will add a second daily nonstop flight to the British city starting on March 29, 2015. Delta will introduce its first nonstop flight from PHL to London starting April 8, 2015.

With the additions, PHL will offer five daily flights to Heathrow. American’s new flight will depart PHL at 9:55 a.m., giving travelers a morning connection to London to complement American’s existing evening departure. British Airways, American’s partner in the oneworld alliance, also offers two daily flights to Heathrow from PHL.

The new American flight will bolster its European service from Philadelphia, which includes year-round service to Amsterdam, Brussels, Dublin, Frankfurt, Madrid, Manchester, Munich, Paris and Rome and seasonal service to Athens, Barcelona, Glasgow, Lisbon, Shannon, Venice and Zurich. American offers more than 475 daily flights to 124 destinations from its PHL hub.

The new Delta service from PHL to London is part of Delta’s partnership with Virgin Atlantic Airways to expand service between the U.S. and the U.K. The London flight will complement Delta’s seasonal service to Paris from Philadelphia.

“London is one of the most popular destinations in the world,” said Airport CEO Mark Gale. “These new flights give travelers even more convenient flight options on this route and increase competition, which is great news for travelers. We are pleased that American will add more London service from its PHL hub, and we are excited that Delta will enter the London-Philadelphia market.”

American’s added Philadelphia – London service will be operated using a Boeing 757-200 aircraft. The flight is scheduled to operate as follows:

Departs PHL at 9:55 AM Arrives at LHR at 10:10 PM
Departs LHR at 8:20 AM Arrives at PHL at 11:35 AM

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Delta's Philadelphia - London service will also be operated using a Boeing 757-200 aircraft. The flight is scheduled to operate as follows:

- Departs PHL at 7:04 PM  Arrives at LHR at 7:30 AM the next day
- Departs LHR at 12:30 PM  Arrives at PHL at 4:00 PM

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 $14.4 billion in spending to the regional economy and accounting for more than 141,000 jobs.