

## Qatar Airways holds first-ever onboard game contest, enabled by Starlink

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Doha : Qatar Airways has set a new benchmark with the launch of a pioneering e-sports competition, 'Gaming in the Sky', onboard a commercial aircraft. The event was powered by next-generation Starlink connectivity and took place on May 11, 2025, during a flight from Doha to London.

The tournament brought together a global roster of top gaming and entertainment talent, including Tfue, Castro1021, Lisa Zimouche, Alodia Gosiengfiao, Dantic, SV2, AJ3, Aameghessib, Danny Aarons, Ffearfful, MattHDGamer, and Slater with a special appearance by Oussifooty as the host. The experience marked a new milestone in the convergence of aviation, entertainment, and technology.

At 35,000 feet, the airline transformed the skies into a competitive gaming arena as two teams-Team Burgundy Oryx and Team Grey

Aviators-faced off in a friendly mid-air showdown. Enabled by Starlink's ultra-fast, low-latency internet, players competed in real-time with uninterrupted gameplay and live updates on Qatar Airways' social media channels.

Fans around the world followed the journey through Qatar Airways' social media platforms, where in-flight highlights and behind-the-scenes footage were shared throughout the flight.

The competition took place as Qatar Airways nears completion of its Boeing 777 fleet upgrade with Starlink connectivity, and just as the airline begins introducing the world's first Airbus A350 equipped with Starlink.