

## **Qatar Airways lands inaugural flight at Saudi's Red Sea**

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Dhaka: Qatar Airways on October 21 marked the launch of three weekly non-stop flights to Red Sea International Airport (RSI), operated by daa International, in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia from Hamad International Airport (DOH), the Best Airport in the Middle East as voted by Skytrax in 2025.

The Red Sea is the 12<sup>th</sup> destination in Saudi Arabia to be serviced by Qatar Airways, following operations in Abha, AlUla, Dammam, Jeddah, Medina, NEOM, Qassim, Riyadh, Tabuk, Taif, and Yanbu. This expansion reinforces Qatar Airways' position in the Saudi market and demonstrates the airline's long-term commitment to enhancing connectivity across the Kingdom.

The RSI service further adds to the airline's global network of more than 170 destinations, offering seamless connections for travelers from

across six continents, including Africa, Asia, the Americas, and Europe to the Kingdom's west coast through Doha.

Located on Saudi Arabia's western coastline between the cities of Umluj and Al Wajh, The Red Sea is one of the emerging tourism destinations encompassing more than 90 untouched islands, coral-fringed waters, sweeping desert landscapes, volcanic mountain ranges, and one of the largest reef systems in the world.

Currently, The Red Sea welcomes guests from around the globe with six luxury resorts. Shura Island, the heart of The Red Sea, began welcoming guests in 2025, and will be home to 11 exceptional resorts alongside the Shura Links golf course, a marina, and retail and dining experiences.

Qatar Airways flights to The Red Sea (RSI) departs every Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday: Doha (DOH) to The Red Sea (RSI) - Flight QR1226: Departure 07:45; Arrival 10:45; and The Red Sea (RSI) to Doha (DOH) - Flight QR1227: Departure 11:45; Arrival 14:15.

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