

## Qatar airways boosts Summer flights

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Doha: Qatar Airways is expanding its global flight network by adding more services to major destinations across Africa, Asia, Europe, and the Middle East to meet growing travel demand.

Recognized as the World's Best Airline by Skytrax in 2024, the carrier has announced increased flight frequencies to 11 key destinations, enhancing connectivity for both business and leisure travelers.

Qatar Airways Chief Commercial Officer, Thierry Antinori, said, "Qatar Airways' vast network of global destinations is complemented with robust flight frequencies for the benefit of our passengers."

He added, "The new additions further reflect our commitment to fostering worldwide connectivity and elevating passengers' travel experience with our award-winning hub, Hamad International Airport (DOH) - voted World's Best Airport and World's Best Airport Shopping

by Skytrax in 2024.

Qatar Airways is increasing flights to several major destinations worldwide, enhancing connectivity ahead of the peak summer travel season. The airline will now operate 56 weekly flights to London Heathrow (up from 49), 11 to Amsterdam (up from 7), 14 to Tokyo Narita (up from 11), and 17 to Madrid (up from 14), with jointly operated flights with Iberia increasing to 24 weekly.

In the Middle East and Africa, Sharjah will see a jump to 35 weekly flights (up from 21), while Damascus increases significantly to 14 (up from 3). Other key destinations include Dar Es Salaam-Kilimanjaro (rising from 3 to 7 weekly flights), Entebbe (from 7 to 11), Tunis (from 10 to 12), Larnaca (from 7 to 10), and Maputo-Durban (from 5 to 7).

Last week, Qatar's national airline said it would soon place a sizeable order for wide-body jets to underpin its longer-term growth plans.

"To secure the growth of tomorrow by continuing to have a very strong and the best fleet in the industry, our CEO is working on the RFP (request for proposal) with the aircraft manufacturer to place a big order soon," CCO Thierry Antinori told media.

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