

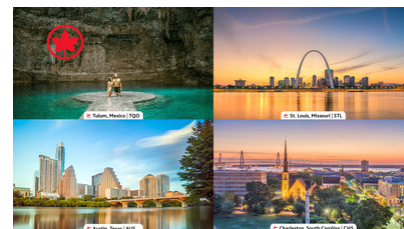
News Releases

Air Canada adds Tulum and Charleston to Global Network; Boosts Capacity on Key North American Markets in Summer 2024 as Airline Continues Strategic Network Growth

- *First Canadian airline to offer service to Tulum, Mexico's newest international airport, and to Charleston, SC*
- *New Montreal to Austin and St. Louis flights*
- *Increased frequencies on key Canadian domestic routes and early resumption of popular seasonal routes*

MONTREAL, Dec. 14, 2023 /CNW/ - Air Canada today announced it is boosting its North American network capacity for summer 2024 with the addition of two new destinations, five new routes, increased flight frequencies on key routes, and earlier resumption of popular seasonal routes in response to projected demand. Air Canada becomes the first Canadian airline to offer service to Tulum*, with flights from Toronto and Montreal to the newest airport in Mexico's Yucatan peninsula, and to Charleston, SC from Toronto. Seats are now available for purchase at aircanada.com, via the Air Canada app, Air Canada's contact centres and through travel agents. Flights to Tulum will be available for sale on December 15.

"We are excited to add two brand new destinations to our global network, Tulum, Mexico from our Toronto and Montreal hubs, and Charleston, South Carolina from Toronto, plus new Austin and St. Louis flights from Montreal in summer 2024. These new destinations and routes reflect Air Canada's market leadership and network diversification strategy of adding capacity to in-demand leisure destinations such as Tulum and fast-growing, key metropolitan areas in the US," said Mark Galardo, Executive Vice President, Revenue and Network Planning, at Air Canada.



"We are also very pleased to grow our North American network from coast to coast with additional frequencies in key markets including Ottawa, Calgary, Saskatoon and Regina, in regional markets, and by resuming major seasonal routes earlier. By adding scale to our Canadian hubs, we are offering more travel choices and unparalleled access to and from our worldwide network. We look forward to welcoming our customers onboard," concluded Mr. Galardo.

For summer 2024, Air Canada will be serving 120 destinations in Canada, the US and the Caribbean with up to 520 flights every day, translating to approximately 66,000 seats being dispatched, representing an increase of 5% percent North America and Caribbean seat capacity from 2023.

New destination: Tulum*, Mexico

"I celebrate this great announcement from Air Canada. Without connectivity there is no tourism, and the two new routes to the new Tulum International Airport, which is ready to receive five million passengers, will boost the arrival of tourists from our second most important source market for international tourists," stated Lic. Miguel Torruco Marqués, Secretario de Turismo, Mexico.

Flight	From	To	Departs	Arrives	Days of Operation	Operation
AC1854	Toronto (YYZ)	Tulum (TQO)	08:15	11:20	Fri, Sun	Year-round, begins May 3
AC1855	Tulum (TQO)	Toronto (YYZ)	12:30	17:35	Fri, Sun	Year-round, begins May 3
AC1874	Montreal (YUL)	Tulum (TQO)	08:15	12:00	Sat	Year-round, begins May 4
AC1875	Tulum (TQO)	Montreal (YUL)	13:10	18:45	Sat	Year-round, begins May 4

*subject to government approval

New destination: Charleston, SC

"Charleston International Airport is delighted to welcome the addition of Toronto as an international destination, made possible

by the introduction of Air Canada's daily flights providing a seamless link between Canada's largest metropolitan area and the Charleston Lowcountry. Not only does the new service connect two of the top cosmopolitan destinations worldwide, renowned for their extraordinary landmarks, rich culture, entertainment and leisure adventures, this route offers customers unmatched travel options and conveniences, whether travelling for leisure, visiting friends and family, or for business," said Elliott Summey, Executive Director and CEO at Charleston International Airport.

"Air Canada's announcement is a major milestone for our industry, the Charleston region and beyond. International visitation is integral to a healthy and sustainable tourism economy. While Canada is consistently our top country of origin for international visitors, we know there is tremendous untapped potential in the market. Beyond increasing access for leisure travelers, the daily, nonstop service creates more opportunity to recruit group business and provides improved connectivity for Charleston area residents traveling to Canada and other international destinations served through Air Canada's Toronto hub," said Helen Hill, CEO of Explore Charleston and Chair of the Aviation Authority Board.

Flight	From	To	Departs	Arrives	Days of Operation	Operation
AC8629	Toronto (YYZ)	Charleston (CHS)	18:40	20:58	Daily	Year-round, begins March 28
AC8628	Charleston (CHS)	Toronto (YYZ)	10:00	12:21	Daily	Year-round, begins, March 29

Other New Flights:

- Air Canada is adding additional new flights to Austin and St. Louis from its Montreal hub, complementing its flights from Toronto and Vancouver to Austin, and from Toronto to St. Louis.

Flight	From	To	Departs	Arrives	Days of Operation	Operation
AC1051	Montreal (YUL)	Austin (AUS)	17:15	20:32	Mon, Tue, Thur, Sat	Year-round, begins May 2
AC1050	Austin (AUS)	Montreal (YUL)	10:15	15:13	Sun, Tue, Wed, Fri	Year-round, begins May 3
AC8687	Montreal (YUL)	St. Louis (STL)	19:30	21:05	Daily	Summer, begins May 1
AC8688	St. Louis (STL)	Montreal (YUL)	12:00	15:23	Daily	Summer, begins May 2

North America Summer 2024 service improvements:

- Air Canada is boosting its North American network from coast to coast with more flights added on major routes, and by resuming seasonal routes earlier.
- To meet projected demand, additional flights have been added to key markets including in Ottawa, Calgary, Saskatoon and Regina, as well as to growing regional markets.

Montreal Hub	Peak summer 2024 service improvements compared to summer 2023 and seasonal resumptions
Montreal (YUL) – Boston (BOS)	Increases to 4 daily flights from 3
Montreal (YUL) – Las Vegas (LAS)	Increases to 2 daily flights from 1
Montreal (YUL) – Minneapolis/St. Paul (MSP)	Increases to 2 daily flights from 1
Montreal (YUL) – Phoenix (PHX)	Increases to 5 weekly flights from 3
Montreal (YUL) – Pittsburgh (PIT)	Resumes May 1, daily flights
Montreal (YUL) – Raleigh/Durham (RDU)	Resumes May 1, daily flights
Montreal (YUL) – San Diego (SAN)	Resumes May 1, daily flights
Montreal (YUL) – Edmonton (YEG)	Increases to 3 daily flights from 2
Montreal (YUL) – Gander (YQX)	Resumes June 14, daily flights
Montreal (YUL) – Iles de La Madeleine (YGR)	Resumes May 17, daily flights
Montreal (YUL) – Victoria (YYJ)	Increases to 5 weekly flights from 3

Toronto Hub	Peak summer 2024 service improvements compared to summer 2023 and seasonal resumptions
Toronto (YYZ) – Kansas City (MCI)	Resumes June 1, daily flights
Toronto (YYZ) – Nashville (BNA)	Increases to 2 daily flights from 1
Toronto (YYZ) – Phoenix (PHX)	Increases to 2 daily flights from 1
Toronto (YYZ) – Portland (PDX)	Resumes May 1, daily flights
Toronto (YYZ) – Nassau (NAS)	Increases to 6 weekly flights from 4
Toronto (YYZ) – Sacramento (SMF)	Resumes May 1, 5 weekly flights
Toronto (YYZ) – Salt Lake City (SLC)	Resumes May 1, 4 weekly flights
Toronto (YYZ) – Gander (YQX)	Resumes June 1, daily flights
Toronto (YYZ) – Vancouver (YVR)	Increases to 14 daily flights from 13
Toronto (YYZ) – Victoria (YYJ)	Increases to 3 daily flights from 2

Vancouver Hub	Peak summer 2024 service improvements compared to summer 2023 and seasonal resumptions
Vancouver (YVR) – Anchorage (ANC)	Resumes May 14, daily flights
Vancouver (YVR) – Austin (AUS)	Resumes May 1, increases 4 weekly flights from 2 weekly
Vancouver (YVR) – Portland (PDX)	Increases to 4 daily flights from 3
Vancouver (YVR) – Washington Dulles (IAD)	Increases to daily from 5 weekly
Vancouver (YVR) – San Diego (SAN)	Increases to 3 daily flights from 2
Vancouver (YVR) – Sacramento (SMF)	Increases to 2 daily flights from 1
Vancouver (YVR) – Cranbrook (YXC)	Increases to 2 daily flights from 1
Vancouver (YVR) – Fort St. John (YXJ)	Increases to 4 daily flights from 3
Vancouver (YVR) – Halifax (YHZ)	Resumes May 1, 2 daily flights
Vancouver (YVR) – Prince George (YXS)	Increases to 4 daily flights from 3
Vancouver (YVR) – Terrace (YXT)	Increases to 5 daily flights from 4
Vancouver (YVR) – Toronto (YYZ)	Increases to 14 daily flights from 13
Vancouver (YVR) – Smithers (YYD)	Increases to 2 daily flights from 1

Routes from Saskatchewan	Peak summer 2024 service improvements compared to summer 2023 and seasonal resumptions
Regina (YQR) – Toronto (YYZ)	Increases to 4 daily non-stop flights from 3 daily
Regina (YQR) – Montreal (YUL)	Resumes June 1, daily non-stop standalone flights from one-stop
Saskatoon (YXE) – Toronto (YYZ)	Increases to 4 daily non-stop flights from 3 daily
Saskatoon (YXE) – Montreal (YUL)	Resumes June 2, daily non-stop standalone flights from one-stop
Saskatoon (YXE) – Vancouver (YVR)	Increases to 4 daily flights from 3 daily

Routes from other airports	Peak summer 2024 service improvements compared to summer 2023 and seasonal resumptions
Ottawa (YOW) – Washington-National	

(DCA)	Resumes May 1, daily flights
Ottawa (YOW) – Calgary (YYC)	Resumes May 1, daily flights
Ottawa (YOW) – Winnipeg (YWG)	Resumes May 1, daily flights
Ottawa (YOW) – Vancouver (YVR)	Operating 3 daily flights – including 1 flight with 787 Dreamliner
Halifax (YHZ) – St. Johns (YYT)	Increases to 5 daily flights from 4 daily
Halifax (YHZ) – Vancouver (YVR)	Resumes May 1, up to 2 daily flights
Calgary (YYC) – Winnipeg (YWG)	Operating 2 daily flights with larger aircraft
Calgary (YYC) – Edmonton (YEG)	Increases to 4 daily flights from 3 daily
Edmonton (YEG) – Montreal (YUL)	Increases to 3 daily flights from 2
Victoria (YYJ) – Montreal (YUL)	Increase to 5 weekly flights from 3
Victoria (YYJ) – Toronto (YYZ)	Increases to 3 daily flights from 2

About Air Canada

Air Canada is Canada's largest airline, the country's flag carrier and a founding member of Star Alliance, the world's most comprehensive air transportation network. Air Canada provides scheduled service directly to more than 180 airports in Canada, the United States and Internationally on six continents. It holds a Four-Star ranking from Skytrax. AirCanada's Aeroplan program is Canada's premier travel loyalty program, where members can earn or redeem points on the world's largest airline partner network of 45 airlines, plus through an extensive range of merchandise, hotel and car rental rewards. Its freight division, Air Canada Cargo, provides air freight lift and connectivity to hundreds of destinations across six continents using Air Canada's passenger and freighter aircraft. Air Canada aims to achieve an ambitious net zero emissions goal from all global operations by 2050. Air Canada shares are publicly traded on the TSX in Canada and the OTCQX in the US.

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