

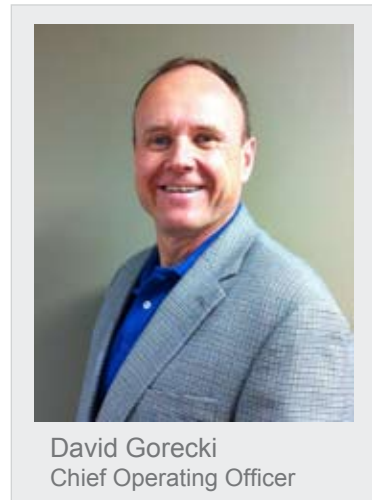
Consultant's Corner

Fall is upon us and old man winter is right around the corner though for some on the East Coast, he already made his presence felt this past week. Exciting end to the baseball season and our home town Texas Rangers almost pulled it off.

As a valued business partner, we congratulate them on their success this past season. Both teams made it a series as some called it "One for the Ages!"

If you have time on your next business trip to St. Louis, besides taking a tour of the stadium and the Anheuser Busch Brewery, make sure you head to "The Hill" – the old Italian section of St. Louis with one of a kind deli's and restaurants.

Stop in at Goia's Deli (www.gioiasdeli.com) for the signature sandwich (Hot Salami) which was featured at the ballpark during the World Series– it is awesome.



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Also, if you are in Dallas, be sure to take the tour at the Ballpark in Arlington as well as Cowboy's stadium. Both are great venues and have wonderful tours to see behind the scenes.

This is the time of the year that the countdown begins for the Holiday season but as we all have noticed, the decorations have been out in the stores since October. Have you completed your Christmas shopping yet?

If not, let us offer a suggestion. How about a TravelVacations gift card or gift

certificate for your employees or family members? A gift card can be setup with a pre-loaded amount as low as \$25.00. These gift cards can be used for cruises or any type of vacation package. The gift certificates are an excellent choice for drawings for holiday parties or incentives. It can be customized with your logo and it is good for one year from the date of purchase. You can set it up for any amount from \$250 to \$10,000. It allows the recipient to create their own special memory with a customized trip planned by one of our expert vacation specialists. Please contact your account manager for additional details.

November brings us the Thanksgiving holidays with some of the busiest travel days of the year.

Please plan accordingly allowing extra time in all phases of your travel. Pre-reserve your parking at your airport parking spots. Ensure that you check in online and make sure that you opt for the notification messages via your smart phone (make sure it is charged). Finally, a reminder about checked luggage and baggage fees

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– plan accordingly if you do not have frequent flyer status to waive these fees. Above all, bring a big dose of patience especially if we experience massive snow storms during the Thanksgiving Holidays.

Finally as a reminder, you will continue to see additional changes this month as our plan moves forward to finalize our name change from TravelFocus/Luxe to TSI USA. Again same great people and service, just a name change to better reflect our global footprint with our TSI partners around the world.

From all of us at TSI USA, we want to wish each of you and your families, especially our family members that are serving our country overseas, a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving!! Safe travels until next month!!

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David Gorecki, COO
TSI USA

American Airlines Introduces Curbside Check-In for Customers Traveling to International Destinations



American Airlines is expanding its Curbside Check-In service to give customers traveling internationally the opportunity to check their bags with the skycap -- making their trip through the airport as smooth as possible.

American is the only airline that makes this service available to all customers traveling to an international location, including countries that require a visa.

Since September, American has been expanding the enhanced service to 28 airports that currently offer domestic Curbside Check-in, including cornerstone markets at Los Angeles, Dallas/Fort Worth, Chicago

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Continued American Airlines Introduces Curbside Check-In for Customers Traveling to International Destinations

O'Hare, Miami, and at New York Kennedy. An additional 31 U.S. markets will offer the new services by the beginning of November.

Curbside Check-in gives customers added convenience to book, purchase and check-in from home, drop their bags curbside with a skycap and move directly through the security check-point to their gate bypassing the ticket counter.

Curbside Check-in to international locations will coincide with regular ticket counter hours and will be available to customers who use online flight check-in, electronic tickets, and those with or without pre-reserved seats.

For more information about the expanded Curbside Check-in service, please visit aa.com/curbside.



Delta Launches Expanded In-Flight Wi-Fi, Entertainment on Demand Options

Delta Connect will offer free entertainment, shopping options and travel information

Delta Air Lines launched new in-flight entertainment options for customers as part of its \$2 billion investment in the flying experience.

The additions include Delta Connect, a new in-flight portal that will be available exclusively to all customers using Wi-Fi on Delta aircraft; wireless movies and television on demand on Boeing 757-300 aircraft; and a more user-friendly design for Airbus A330 in-flight entertainment systems that include more content choices.

Delta Connect is a new in-flight Wi-Fi portal developed jointly by Delta and its on-board wireless provider Gogo. It will offer an expanded range of free content for Delta customers such as more choices for entertainment and shopping as well as flight and destination information.

Delta Connect partners include Gilt.com and OpenTable.com. Customers will also have free access to partners that provide information on destination oriented concerts, festivals and events as well as news and entertainment.



At the same time Delta is launching a new feature through on-board Wi-Fi: entertainment on demand. Beginning today, entertainment on demand will be available on all 16 of Delta's Boeing 757-300 aircraft. Choices will include an introductory price for television programming starting at \$.99 and movies available for \$3.99 from major Hollywood studios. Customers can sort titles by genre, length of feature, movie or show and

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other categories. Trailers are available for complimentary viewing prior to rental.

The programming also offers an added benefit. Rentals will remain accessible on the customer's personal device for viewing after landing for at least 24 hours after their flight. Unexpired content will be available for playback on the ground by using the same device and browser used onboard.

A Gogo Wi-Fi purchase is not required to access Delta Connect content or the video service. Entertainment on demand will be available for laptops and expanded to tablet and mobile devices by early 2012 on 757-300s.

Customers flying on Delta's total fleet of 32 Airbus A330 aircraft will experience a redesigned in-flight entertainment experience with more entertainment choices by the end of 2011. The improved in-flight entertainment system will expand to the rest of Delta's fleet of nearly 300 aircraft equipped with personal in-flight entertainment by mid-2012.

The new system includes offers easier navigation, 150 percent more movies and more television, music and games offerings. A new feature includes a Delta Sky Kids section that offers family-friendly content designed with young travelers in mind.

Emirates Strengthens Commitment to the United States

Emirates adds Seattle and Dallas/Fort Worth gateways; plus new premium lounge at San Francisco International Airport.

Emirates, one of the world's fastest growing airlines, unveiled major new expansion plans for the United States today, announcing new services to Seattle and Dallas/Fort Worth as well as enhancements to its premium customer experience at San Francisco International Airport (SFO).

Dallas/Fort Worth and Seattle-Tacoma International Airports will both be served by daily, non-stop flights from 2nd February and 1st March 2012 respectively.

"These new services emphasize Emirates' confidence in, and long-term commitment to, the United States," said Tim Clark, President of Emirates Airline. "With six gateways offering convenient connectivity from points across the country, customers in the US will find it easier than ever to access our vast global network."

Passengers flying Emirates from Seattle and Dallas/Fort Worth will be able to connect seamlessly to points across the Far and Middle East, Indian sub-continent and Africa via the airline's hub in Dubai.

Starting 2nd February 2012, EK 221 will leave Dubai daily at 0245hrs, arriving at Dallas/Fort Worth at 0905hrs. The return sector, EK 222, leaves Dallas at 1150hrs, arriving at Dubai International Airport at 1220hrs the following day.



Continued Emirates Strengthens Commitment to the United States

From 1st March 2012, EK 229 will leave Dubai daily at 0950hrs and arrive at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) at 1310hrs. EK 230 will depart Seattle at 1710hrs, arriving in Dubai at 1940hrs the following day.

Both services will be operated by Boeing 777 aircraft offering the highest standards of passenger comfort, with luxurious private suites in First Class, lie-flat beds in Business Class and generously-sized Economy Class seats.



Passengers in all classes can lose themselves in the much-enjoyed ICE entertainment system. There are more than 1,200 channels of on-demand entertainment to choose from, including 200 movies from around the world, 100 TV channels, more than 500 audio channels, 100 video games and news, sports and business headlines.

Customers can also look forward to gourmet food in all cabins and seamless transfers to a global network of over 100 destinations through Emirates' state-of-the-art Terminal 3 hub in Dubai.

In addition to the new gateways, Emirates will also open a new customer lounge at San Francisco International Airport in November.

Located in the International Terminal's Boarding Area "A", the new Emirates Lounge will be a two-level haven for First and Business class passengers comprised of more than 9,500 square feet.

All Emirates Lounges feature a business center with individual work stations and complimentary broadband and wireless LAN access. Emirates Airport Services staff manage the lounge at all times, while on-site chefs ensure passengers have a wide selection of food and beverages round-the-clock featuring both hot and cold dishes.

The dining area also offers a full bar service, including champagne. With a fleet of 157 aircraft and now also the largest A380 operator in the world, Emirates currently flies to 114 destinations in 67 countries.

Services to Basra, Geneva and Copenhagen have already started this year. Flights to St Petersburg begin on 1st November, with Baghdad following suit as of 13th November. Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires become new links into South America from 3rd January 2012.

On February 1st 2012, Emirates will launch its 20th and 21st destinations in Africa, with a five times weekly linked service to Zambia and Zimbabwe





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Cathay Pacific Airways Lands at O'Hare International Airport

Cathay Pacific Airways today began new nonstop flight passenger service between Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD) and Hong Kong International Airport (HKG).



CATHAY PACIFIC

Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) Commissioner Rosemarie S. Andolino joined Scott Mowrer, Cathay Pacific Airways Senior Vice President, Americas, to welcome the

airline's inaugural flight to Chicago O'Hare with a celebration at International Terminal 5, Gate M11. The event included a ceremonial lion dance and a water cannon salute by the Chicago Fire Department.

"Chicago's unmatched transportation links are central to our status as a world-class city," said Mayor Rahm Emanuel. "This service will not only provide Chicago and Hong Kong with additional air travel connections, but will generate millions of dollars in economic growth and create new jobs for Chicagoans."

The daily, nonstop service will operate from International Terminal 5 at O'Hare on a Boeing 777-300ER aircraft.

"We are pleased to welcome daily, nonstop service between Chicago and Hong Kong by Cathay Pacific Airways," said Commissioner Andolino. "We believe passengers traveling from Hong Kong will find that O'Hare International Airport offers an outstanding level of connectivity to destinations all across the U.S."

"It's great to be bringing Cathay Pacific's award-winning passenger service to Chicago," said Mowrer "While this is our first passenger flight to the city, we know the way back to Hong Kong better than any other airline. Once there, there's a whole lot of world we can fly you to, including mainland China, where Chicago has so many established and growing ties."

Cathay Pacific offers first-class, business and economy seating and many amenities on all passenger flights. The airline is known for its strong commitment to environmental issues.

"Cathay's focus on sustainability - such as the airline's new fuel-efficient fleet, and energy and water conservation programs - is a great fit with Chicago's sustainability initiatives and commitment to the

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environment,” Andolino added. In addition to Cathay’s new service to Hong Kong, O’Hare International Terminal 5 passengers can experience that city through photos taken by National Geographic photographer, Catherine Karnow, courtesy of National Geographic and Cathay Pacific. Travelers will be able to view 40 of Karnow’s photos on display between Gates M12 to M19 through early 2012.

Chicago is Cathay Pacific’s sixth North American city with passenger service to Hong Kong. The other cities served by Cathay include Los Angeles, New York City, San Francisco, Vancouver and Toronto.

The addition of Cathay Pacific passenger service is estimated to bring nearly \$200 million in economic activity to the Chicago region.

Cathay Pacific also operates cargo service from O’Hare International Airport. Chicago is one of Cathay’s 11 North American cargo destinations. Currently, there are eight direct cargo flights a week on B747-4F aircraft. Each cargo freighter landing at O’Hare International Airport represents approximately \$3 million in business to the local economy.

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Virgin Hotels Buys Old Dearborn Bank Building in Chicago

The 27-story Art Deco building, a Chicago landmark designed by C.W. and George L. Rapp Architects in 1928, has significant historic and architectural features that will be restored and recreated.

Located at 203 N. Wabash Avenue, at the corner of Wabash and Lake, the property is in the heart of Chicago’s Loop. The new hotel will have 250 guest rooms and feature meeting spaces, restaurants, lounges and other public areas that reflect the Virgin brand’s stylish and functional legacy.



“This transaction is a first step towards our goal of building a portfolio of hotels that anticipate and respond to the needs of today’s travelers and set a new standard for the industry,” said Anthony Marino, Managing Partner, Leisure and Hospitality, Virgin Group and head of Virgin Hotels. “The Virgin Hotels team is focused on finding the best locations and strongest partners to bring Virgin’s product vision to life for our 60 million customers around the world.”

Virgin Hotels President and COO Raul Leal said, “Chicago is a top destination for pleasure and business, with all the qualities we look for in Virgin Hotels locations:

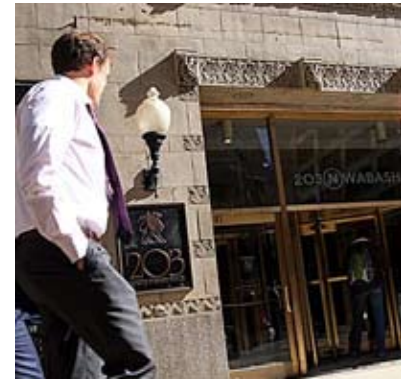
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it's economically vibrant, culturally exciting, and a sports and entertainment hub. But it also has a world-renowned architectural heritage, and we are eager to contribute to its continued acclaim."

Virgin Hotels has selected The John Buck Company to execute the redevelopment of the iconic Dearborn Bank Building. Marino said, "The John Buck Company offers a unique blend of local knowledge, global perspective and strong execution, a combination we're looking for in partners for our other locations."

"We are thrilled to be able to partner with Virgin Hotels to revitalize this beautiful landmark building and to create an exciting new hotel destination in downtown Chicago," said Jack Buck, Principal, The John Buck Company.

Virgin Hotels has an active pipeline of properties in gateway cities, including Los Angeles, Miami, New York, San Francisco, Washington DC, and London, locations where Virgin Hotels is pursuing hotel and office conversions, as well as ground-up development. "As a result of our anticipated development growth, it is highly likely that one or more Virgin Hotels will open before Virgin Hotel Chicago," said Marino. "We are ready to respond to the growing number of unique real estate and repositioning opportunities generated by the current environment."



Virgin Hotels announced that its property venture has purchased the Old Dearborn Bank Building in downtown Chicago in an all-cash transaction. Virgin Hotels will convert the former office building and expects to re-open it as Virgin Hotel Chicago in the fall of 2013.



Virgin Hotels was launched in September 2010 with plans to develop and operate gateway city hotels with 150 to 400 guest rooms, restaurants, and public spaces. The brand is designed to attract the same highly-valued business and leisure traveler whose loyalty Virgin has captured over the last 25 years.

Virgin Hotels is a new four-star lifestyle hotel brand in its initial development stage of acquiring properties in the U.S. The group seeks new development and conversions of existing hotels or office properties in major urban markets.

The top destinations to visit in 2012 by Frommer's.

As it has for the past two years, the guidebook publisher/travel website allowed readers to chime in on where they want to go next year. And the winner by a landslide? Turkey, with 51% of the vote among a list of 10 destinations, including Paris, Italy and Hawaii.

There's a reason these lists come out in the fall, when thoughts initially turn toward where to go next.

"It's to get people thinking about looking at a new way to see the world," says

The logo for Frommer's, featuring the word "Frommer's" in white, sans-serif font on a red square background.

Continued The top destinations to visit in 2012 by Frommer's.

Frommers.com editorial director David Lytle. "Travel should be inspiring, even as a five-day vacation."

The list is compiled by Frommer's writers and editors, and tends to go for outside-the-box locales, places that are hosting a high-profile event or spots that have undergone revitalization, Lytle says.

The top 10 for 2012 and why, according to Lytle, they made the list:

Curacao – This often overlooked Caribbean island has affordable rentals, "as opposed to traditional flop-and-drop all-inclusives."

Chongqing, China – An alternative to the usual Chinese destinations (Beijing, Shanghai), it's a 19th-century town that has undergone rapid modernization, thanks, in part, to its position as the last stop on the Three Gorges river tour.

Fukuoka Japan – This feudal Japanese town on the north shore of Kyushu province is a place to go after you've done Tokyo and Kyoto. Plus, its inclusion on the list is a reminder that not all of Japan was affected by the earthquake.

Beirut – The city has experienced a renaissance in recent years, as many European travelers know. "It's an urban hotspot full of smartly dressed people who have intelligent conversation," Lytle says.

Ghana – Unlike some other African nations, this country has enjoyed long-time stability. As a former center of the slave trade, it's also on the heritage trail for African Americans.

London's Greenwich neighborhood – Just 20 minutes from Central London, this Thames-side town has undergone a renaissance. And post-Olympics is a good time to visit London, since it's bound to be gussied up for the event, with bargains after the party's over.

Girona, Spain – This Costa Brava town is popular among Brits, but is largely undiscovered by Americans. It's also an easy-to-get-to beach getaway from Barcelona.

Bay of Fundy, Nova Scotia – It's a quiet, charming area, perfect for recharging your batteries.



National Car Rental to focus on corporate sector at World Travel Market

Leading vehicle rental provider, National Car Rental, will be demonstrating its focus on corporate travellers at this year's World Travel Market with a range of exciting new initiatives.

The car rental giant has revealed it seeks to address both the cost and convenience needs of the business travel market.



Continued National Car Rental to focus on corporate sector at World Travel Market

Answering growing corporate demand for more environmentally friendly travel solutions will also be addressed by National along with news of new locations around the Globe.

“While a big part of the focus for WTM is on the leisure traveller, we know that there is also good representation from business travel agents and travel managers” explained Mark Lister, regional director, EMEA franchising & corporate accounts for National Car Rental.

“We will therefore be talking about a number of initiatives that have been developed to make it even easier for corporate travellers and their travel managers use vehicle rental to meet their needs.”

“Car rental is often the ‘poor relation’ to flights, airports and hotels but, of course, is the critical connection to those services” added Lister.

“So our continued goal is to make the entire rental experience for businesses as streamlined and cost-effective as possible and we look forward to meeting with business travel agents and travel managers at WTM 2011.”

World Travel Market takes place from November 7th-10th at Excel exhibition center in London.



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