



Ethiopian Airlines will arrive in Geneva

Genève Aéroport is proud to announce the latest addition to its long-haul network, the first destination in sub-Saharan Africa to be regularly serviced from Geneva: Addis Ababa, the capital of Ethiopia. Ethiopian Airlines will start flying the route three times a week as of 3 June 2018. This is an excellent bit of news for Switzerland and for Geneva's international sector.

The flights will leave Geneva 3 times a week, on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, and return from Addis Ababa on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Take-off in Geneva is scheduled for 20:45, landing in Ethiopia at 05:55 the following day. The return flight will leave Ethiopia at 23:10, arriving in Switzerland at 07:25. Both the outbound and inbound flights will touch down briefly at Milan-Malpensa airport.

Addis Ababa Bole International Airport is the Ethiopian Airlines hub and the best platform for connections everywhere in Africa – the carrier's schedule offers excellent connections to over 50 destinations on the continent. The best include Johannesburg, Nairobi, Dar es Salaam, Kinshasa, Luanda and Victoria Falls.

The ADD-GVA flights will be operated with the brand new Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner, configured to carry 24 business class and 246 economy passengers. The aircraft - the newest addition to the company's fleet - is one of the most modern currently on the market. It combines state-of-

the-art noise- and pollution-control technology with exceptional passenger comfort.

Founded over 70 years ago, Ethiopian Airways is Africa's largest airline. It has become the go-to carrier for the entire continent, flying to over 100 destinations worldwide and operating an especially young and environmentally friendly fleet. The company has been a Star Alliance member since 2011

and has a 4-star quality ranking from SKYTRAX.

This new long-haul link is particularly wel-

come for Geneva's international and diplomatic communities, Swiss diplomacy being very active in Africa.

The arrival of Ethiopian Airlines is the outcome of efforts by Genève Aéroport to build a high-quality intercontinental network in response to market needs and supplements recently opened links to China, the Persian Gulf and North America. As part of its quality-development strategy, Genève Aéroport is also particularly concerned to promote the arrival of the most modern aircraft.



www.ethiopianairlines.com

AIRLINES

SWISS: new seasonal routes

From late June to early September, SWISS will fly to several new destinations from Geneva – **Kalamata** (Greece), **Pula** (Croatia) and **Toulon** (France) – bringing the number of the carrier's destinations from Geneva to 36. The new routes will be operated with aircraft such as the Bombardier CS100 and CS300.



In addition to these new destinations, SWISS will be adapting its schedule of flights to **Madrid** (2x/day from Monday to Friday, from April to the end of June and from September to October) and **Athens** (also 2x/day from Monday to Saturday, in July and August). It has also adjusted its schedule to allow passengers to spend a weekend in **Malaga** and **Nice**, with an outbound flight on Friday evening and an inbound flight on Sunday night.

www.swiss.com

Air France: two new routes

Responding to strong leisure traveller demand during the summer season, **HOP!** – a member of the Air France group – has scheduled weekly flights to **Marseille** and **Toulon** every Saturday between 18 June and 30 September 2018. The flights will be operated with a **HOP!** 50-seat Embraer 145.



www.airfrance.ch

Adria Airways opens Geneva-Ljubljana

Adria Airways, Slovenia's national carrier and a **Star Alliance** member, is starting flights on the **Ljubljana**-Geneva route, three times a week (Monday, Tuesday and Thursday).



The new route augments the number of Balkan destinations serviced from Genève Aéroport and, thanks to the **Adria Airways** network, will allow passengers to travel on to many other cities in the region, such as **Dubrovnik**, **Sarajevo**, **Pristina**, **Tirana**, **Podgorica** and **Skopje**.

www.adria.si

Etihad Airways Dreamliner lands in Geneva

With the introduction of a **Boeing 787** in late March at GVA, all flights between Switzerland and **Abu Dhabi** are now operated with the **Dreamliner**. Geneva thus becomes the fifth European destination to be serviced by this last-generation aircraft. The Etihad Airways fleet



currently has 18 **Boeing 787-9 Dreamliners** flying to a total of 17 destinations worldwide. They are configured as chosen by Etihad, with 8 First Suites, 28 Business Studios and 199 economy seats.

www.etihad.com

Cobalt Air in Geneva

Founded in 2015, the young Cypriot airline will fly to **Larnaca** with an Airbus A319 once a week, on Sundays, between 13 May and 4 November 2018.



This welcome development should further bolster Cyprus's unprecedented growth on the Swiss market in 2018.

<https://cobalt.aero>

GVA NEWS

Over 17 million passengers in 2017

The number of passengers increased by **4.95%** in 2017, while the number of **take-offs and landings** remained even more **stable** than in 2016. easyJet, Swiss and British Airways had the three biggest market shares.

All results are in the annual report :



www.gva.ch/publications

The transit area gets a new look

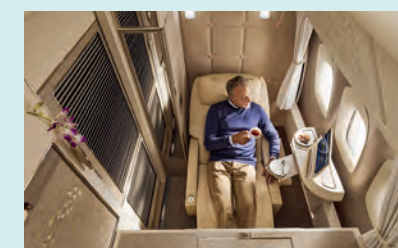
The addition of two new security machines, in the summer of 2018, requires major work at the Departures level.

After the first stage in the **landside shopping zone** in 2017, the turn has come of shops in the **airside zone**: some of them are moving, and the area around the central square is being completely redone. The main **Duty Free** shop is being completely renovated and expanded. A temporary shop will be set up in the central square for the duration of the work, until the autumn. The **exchange office** will take the place of the **ISA counter** and the **tax reclaim** office will move to the mezzanine, next to the **Dnata lounge**. Temporary booths will be made available during the work, until the summer.

In November 2018, passengers will discover a **new retail area** dedicated to shops and events. They will be kept informed about the zone's transformation via video clips played on Genève Aéroport's various digital aids.

Emirates introduces its First Class Private Suites

Emirates recently presented the upmarket configuration of its **Boeing 777**, which it will preview in the Swiss and Belgian markets. Its **First Class Private Suites** are magnificent private cabins, inspired by Mercedes Benz, that afford maximum luxury and comfort.



www.emirates.com

Genève Aéroport shortens wait times

Thanks to recent **investments** totalling **27 million Swiss francs**, **wait times** at security have been sharply **reduced** and now average no more than **20 minutes**. Over 400 sq.m. previously occupied by shops were repurposed on the Departures level to allow the installation of **two x-ray**



machines. By allocating an **extra 6 million Swiss francs**, Genève Aéroport will be able to **screen over 300 passengers more an hour**, as of July 2018.

United celebrates the 15th anniversary of the GVA-EWR route

A sociable celebration was held on 6 March to mark the **15th anniversary** of the **EWR-GVA** route.



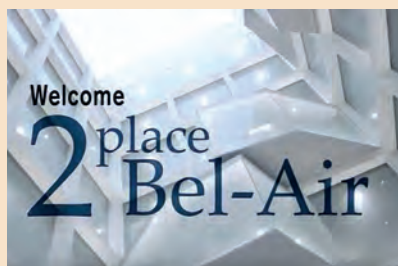
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GVA NEWS

SPONSORING

Exhibition : the time of a trip

At the invitation of Credit Suisse, Genève Aéroport is organizing an exhibition at the bank's Welcome 2 Place Bel-Air site on the **theme of time**. Conceived as a voyage, the exhibition will take you to the heart of the airborne experience. Enjoy a visit until **31 May 2018** at the **Credit Suisse at 2, place Bel Air**.



National Games Geneva

Genève Aéroport is supporting the Swiss national **Special Olympics**, a major Swiss sporting event for the mentally handicapped taking place from **24 to 27 May 2018**.

Genève 2018 is a **nationwide** event bringing together nearly 1,800 athletes, their families, 700 coaches, about 1,200 volunteers and countless spectators. On the programme: **13 disciplines** at **6 sites** with, at the heart of the event, the **Olympic Village** in Plainpalais.



www.ge2018.ch

The PSIA at Genève Aéroport

During the second half of 2018, the Swiss Federal Council will adopt the Sectoral Aviation Infrastructure Plan (SAIP), which will serve to activate



aviation authorization procedures and to determine the **areas exposed to noise**. Under the SAIP, **Genève Aéroport** innovates and commits to **reduce its noise footprint by 2030**.

Achieving that objective will require fleet renewal and better control of delays (flights planned for the day but taking off after 10 p.m.). At present, no intercontinental flights take off after 22:00, but under the SIAP, long-haul flights can depart between 22:00 and midnight, on the proviso that they are operated with aircraft with the **best acoustic properties available** on the market.

TRANSPORT

Good-bye AEROCAR, hello OUIBUS

As of March 2018, the regular **AEROCAR** coach service serving Grenoble-Crolles-Chambéry-Genève Aéroport, 6x/day, will be called **OUIBUS**.



www.ouibus.com

Priority Lane

On the **Departures level**, a new, **two-gate entrance** has been set up for **Priority lane** customers. The new space thus created is bigger, brighter and allows more passengers to take advantage of the service, which can be combined with other e-services «by Genève Aéroport»: ResaPark or the VIP Lounge. It's amazing how



easy you can make your journey with just a few clicks!
www.gva.ch/eservices

DIARY DATES

Envol 2019



Thank you for turning out for Envol in January 2018! The event – henceforth to be held in January – enchanted exhibitors and general public alike. **Save the date** for 2019: **Sunday, 27 January 2019**, once again at the CFF train station at Genève Aéroport.
www.gva.ch/envol

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