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Adelaide the first airport to welcome Fiji Airways' new 737 MAX 8 aircraft

Adelaide Airport today welcomed Fiji Airways' announcement that its brand new Boeing 737 MAX 8 will fly between Adelaide and Nadi from December. Adelaide will be the first in the region to welcome the airline's newest aircraft.

The MAX 8s will offer passengers premium comfort and amenities with modern interiors, reduced cabin noise, better lighting and more overhead cabin storage space.

The announcement comes just ahead of the anniversary of Fiji Airways' inaugural Adelaide-Nadi service, which currently operates twice a week.

Adelaide Airport Managing Director, Mark Young, congratulated Fiji for its continued growth in the Adelaide market, and for choosing Adelaide to launch its newest aircraft.

"I think customers will really notice the difference with the significantly upgraded Boeing 737 MAX 8s," Mr Young said.

"This aircraft is seen as a game changer in aviation since its launch in 2017. It's significantly quieter – both internally and externally – it's more fuel efficient, and has a greater range. Customers will notice a significantly upgraded interior with more space and LED lighting."

Mr Young said South Australians have repaid the faith shown by Fiji Airways in launching the new service last year, with strong forward bookings an important factor in attracting the upgraded MAX 8 aircraft.

"Fiji has always been a hugely popular destination with South Australian travellers, and Fiji Airways' aircraft upgrade now makes it even more attractive," Mr Young said.

"Fiji Airways also offers one-stop connection with the US West Coast with the added bonus of being able to stopover in beautiful Fiji."

Services from Nadi on FJ961 depart at 4.30pm and arrive in Adelaide at 8.30pm, Monday and Friday.

Services from Adelaide on FJ960 depart at 10.00pm, Monday and Friday, and arrive in Nadi at 5.35am the following morning (all times local).

Tickets can be purchased through the Fiji Airways website, www.fijiairways.com, or by calling the Fiji Airways Global Reservations Centre.