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Adelaide welcomes first direct flights to the Whitsundays

Adelaide Airport has welcomed today's announcement by Jetstar that it will commence flights between Adelaide and the Whitsunday Coast Airport in Proserpine from September. This will be the first direct service between Adelaide and the Whitsunday region.

Jetstar will fly three return services a week to the Whitsundays with flights to go on sale in February. The airline is expected to operate its A320 aircraft on the route, creating 58,000 seats per year to one of Queensland's most popular tropical destinations.

Adelaide Airport Managing Director, Brenton Cox, said it was exciting to attract yet another Jetstar service offering flights to destinations across Australia as well as to Bali.

"This is our first ever direct flight to the Whitsundays and sixth direct Queensland service after Brisbane, Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast, Cairns and Townsville," Mr Cox said.

"Whitsunday Coast Airport is the perfect arrivals point for all of the wonderful activities available across the Whitsundays and just a 30-minute drive from Airlie Beach.

"The Whitsundays is home to 74 tropical islands and known worldwide for its stunning beaches and ideal yacht cruising as well as luxury accommodation. It's a great spot for scuba diving and snorkelling on the Great Barrier Reef including the iconic Heart Reef.

"The airport is also conveniently located just over an hour's drive from Mackay for passengers travelling further afield."