

**Press release** 

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## airberlin launches new long-haul flight from Los Angeles: AB7023 nonstop to Berlin, Germany's vibrant capital

With today's inaugural flight to Berlin, airberlin is continuing to expand its presence in the West Coast of the US. airberlin now offers three connections per week between the capital of Germany and the second largest city in the United States, Los Angeles.

"This new long-haul flight from Berlin-Tegel to Los Angeles is the next step in airberlin's new strategic policy. Both locations are of great importance to the international film industry. It therefore makes sense to link the two metropolises," said airberlin CEO Thomas Winkelmann.

airberlin will now take off from Los Angeles three times a week at 7:45pm in an Airbus A330-200. Passengers who want more comfort will enjoy their flight in Business Class, which includes a three-course meal as well as high-quality drinks and wines. The FullFlat Seats with a sleeping surface measuring more than 180cm promise a relaxing sleep. Time also flies in Economy Class, in one of the 46 XL Seats that offer 20 per cent more legroom, for instance.

Passengers who book a long-haul flight in Economy Class with airberlin can, up to twelve hours before departure, take advantage of the catering service called airgusto, which is a tasty alternative to the normal catering. This service is available on the return flight out of Berlin and provides a selection of 20 meals from 17 different trendy restaurants. It is possible to order up to twelve hours before departure with the booking number on iFleat.com or via the free iFleat app. For more information on the restaurant service, please visit airberlin.com/airgusto.

In addition an inaugural flight will follow at the end of May from Berlin-Tegel to San Francisco. With its current summer schedule, airberlin offers a total of 84 weekly non-stop services from eight gateways in the US: New York (JFK), Boston, Chicago, Miami, Fort Myers, Orlando (new), Los Angeles and San Francisco.

All flights to the United States are optimally integrated in the airberlin route network so that numerous feeder and connecting flights are available. Flights can be booked online at www.airberlin.com, through travel agents or by calling the airberlin Service Center at (917) 261-3165 (local rates apply).

## About airberlin

As one of Europe's largest network airlines, airberlin focuses on extremely frequent domestic flights and on services between a number of major European cities and its Berlin-Tegel and Dusseldorf hubs, from where the airline also operates long-haul flights to the US, Caribbean and Middle East. airberlin carried approximately 28.9 million passengers in 2016 and its fleet is among the most modern and eco-efficient in Europe. airberlin is a member of the **one**world® airline alliance, co-founder of Etihad Airways Partners and a strategic partner of Etihad Airways, which has a 29.21 per cent share in airberlin. topbonus, the frequent flyer programme of airberlin, has more than 4 million members.

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