



AIR FRANCE, THE WORLD'S FIRST AIRLINE TO FLY AN AIRBUS A380 TO LATIN AMERICA

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This winter, Air France is offering six weekly frequencies between Paris-Charles de Gaulle and Mexico. Starting on 12 January 2016, three weekly flights are operated by Airbus A380, the Company's largest super jumbo (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday). The three other flights are operated by Boeing 777-300. From 27 March 2016, the A380 will fly between the two cities daily.

On board, customers have the option of travelling in four flight cabins ensuring optimum comfort – La Première, Business, Premium Economy and Economy.

“We are proud to be the first airline in the world to operate an Airbus A380 to Latin America. This is a strong sign reflecting the Air France-KLM Group's commitment to promoting exchange between Mexico and the rest of the world. We are thus strengthening the Group's presence in Mexico, which we have been serving for over 60 years, by increasing our capacity by 20% on the Paris-Mexico route. The A380 will also allow us to offer two new flight cabins on this route, La Première and Premium Economy, in an aim to offer our customers even greater choice”, stated Patrick Alexandre, Executive Vice President Commercial, Sales and Alliances Air France-KLM.

Airbus A380 Flight Schedule (in local time) throughout the winter 2016 season

AF438: leaves Paris-Charles de Gaulle at 13:30; arrives in Mexico at 18:40

AF439: leaves Mexico at 21:10, arrives at Paris-Charles de Gaulle at 14:25.

Flights operated by A380 on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 12 January to 26 March 2016. Daily flights from 27 March 2016.

This Air France flight offer complements that of KLM Royal Dutch Airlines operating up to 9 weekly frequencies by Boeing 747 between the Amsterdam-Schiphol hub and Mexico.

The comfort of an A380

Boarding an Air France Airbus A380 always guarantees an exceptional trip. On board, the 516 passengers travel in perfect comfort in exceptionally spacious cabins. Two hundred and twenty windows fill the aircraft with natural light, and changing background lighting allows passengers to cross time zones fatigue-free. In addition, six bars are located throughout the aircraft, giving passengers the chance to meet up during the flight.

With cabin noise levels five decibels lower than industry standards, the A380 is a particularly quiet aircraft and features the latest entertainment and comfort technology. External images are retransmitted live throughout the flight from three cameras located on the front, underside and rear of the aircraft. Finally, the largest jet in Air France's fleet is the first to include a dedicated space for art and culture.

For the winter 2015-2016 season, Air France's ten Airbus A380s are flying to 8 destinations – Abidjan, Hong Kong, Johannesburg, Los Angeles, Mexico, Miami, New York-JFK and Shanghai.

Air France-KLM, European leader in Mexico and in the region of Central and Southern America and the Caribbean

This winter, the Air France-KLM Group is offering up to 21 weekly flights to Mexico from Paris-Charles de Gaulle and Amsterdam-Schiphol, including seven frequencies operated by Aeroméxico from Paris to the Mexican capital that share codes with Air France.

Moreover, all Air France flights to Mexico also share codes with Aeroméxico, thereby providing passengers with a wide variety of connecting flight options throughout the domestic network of the Mexican airline within the country.

Air France also offers 4 weekly frequencies to Cancùn.

The leading airline in Central and South America and the Caribbean in terms of seats, Air France-KLM serves twenty-seven destinations* in the region, and offers over 200 flights a week from Paris-Charles de Gaulle and Amsterdam-Schiphol.

- Aruba, Bogota, Bonaire, Brasilia, Buenos Aires, Cancún, Cali, Caracas, Cayenne, Curaçao, Fort-de-France, Guayaquil, Havana, Lima, Mexico, Montevideo, Panama, Paramaribo, Pointe à Pitre, Port-au-Prince, Punta Cana, Quito, Santo Domingo, Saint-Martin, Santiago de Chili, Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro.

A major transatlantic joint venture which also covers flights to Mexico

Air France-KLM is involved in a major transatlantic joint venture alongside Delta Air Lines and Alitalia. The partners share operation of over 250 transatlantic flights operated daily by the four airlines, which also covers flights to Mexico. With a fleet of 129 aircraft, this partnership represents 25% of global transatlantic capacity and will generate an expected 13 billion in annual revenue. It allows customers to benefit from the advantages of a huge network offering more frequent flights, competitive tariffs and standardised services across the Atlantic.

The Air France-KLM Group and Delta serve eighteen destinations in the United States from Paris-Charles de Gaulle and Amsterdam-Schiphol: Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, Dallas, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, Minneapolis, New York-JFK, New York-Newark, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Portland, Salt Lake City, Seattle, San Francisco and Washington. In addition to these destinations, Delta offers a vast network of connecting flights to 300 North American destinations, including Mexico.

Two European hubs connected to the world

The European hubs at Paris-Charles de Gaulle and Amsterdam-Schiphol are connected daily thanks to 12 flight frequencies. The Air France and KLM network has been fully optimized to offer customers a choice of 316 destinations in 103 countries worldwide.

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