



1,100 TBMS...AND COUNTING - NEW DELIVERY MILESTONE FOR DAHER TBM VERY FAST TURBOPROP

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Just two years after handover of the 1,000th TBM new milestone - .Daher has delivered its 1,100th TBM! This milestone aircraft is a TBM 960 – the latest top-of-the-line TBM version – which benefits from Daher’s application of digital power for enhanced operating economics, along with a superior piloting experience and increased cabin comfort.

Today’s TBM production versions – the TBM 960 and TBM 910 – evolved from the initial TBM 700 configuration, which was introduced in 1990 as the first civilian pressurized single-engine turboprop aircraft. It was followed in 2006 by the more powerful TBM 850. The TBM 900-series’ launch in 2014 accelerated the aircraft family’s success, culminating with the TBM 960, which is the ultimate evolution of the brand today.

With the TBM’s market position and Daher’s 2019 acquisition of the Kodiak product line, the company now ranks among the top 10 general aviation airplane manufacturers. It offers a range of complementary aircraft: the TBM 910/TBM 960, which meet the performance and efficiency requirements of private pilots/owners and governments; and the Kodiak 100/Kodiak 900, which are tailored for diverse applications that range from humanitarian airlift and medical evacuation to the utility, governmental and special mission sectors.



Nicolas Chabbert, the Senior Vice President of Daher's Aircraft Division, said the TBM airplane family has distinguished itself through constant improvements in environmental efficiency and operational safety – delivering speed at much lower fuel consumption than competing jets, and incorporating enhancements in flight envelope protection and situational awareness.

"The 1,100th delivery is an achievement that we owe to our faithful customers for their continued confidence, and which is built on the dedication of our Daher teams in engineering, flight test, production and support," Chabbert added.



Delivery of the 1,100th TBM occurred this month, with the aircraft acquired by Bruce McCollum, an active private pilot who previously owned a TBM 850 and a TBM 900. McCollum met up with his

new TBM 960 at the Tarbes, France headquarters of Daher's Aircraft Division, which is the site for the TBM's production and final assembly. Tarbes also is one of the locations for Daher's aerostructures business.

McCollum then boarded the aircraft for its trans-Atlantic ferry flight to the U.S., where the formal handover occurred at Daher's operation in Pompano Beach, Florida.

"I had a great tour of the factory in Tarbes, which was very impressive: you can feel the dedication of the Daher teams who design, build and constantly fine-tune the TBM," McCollum said. "Additionally, the breadth of aerostructures that Daher makes for such leading aircraft producers as Airbus, Dassault and Gulfstream also is impressive. Having this diversity contributes to Daher's strength as a company and its ability for future development of the TBM."

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