Access to More Frequent Flyer Benefits, Destinations for American and Qantas Customers

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FORT WORTH, Texas and SYDNEY — American Airlines and Qantas will roll out improved frequent flyer benefits, including higher earning rates for points and status credits on each airline’s network. The partnership also includes enhanced connectivity with new codeshare destinations in the United States.

American customers will enjoy five additional codeshare markets with Qantas, and Qantas customers will benefit from enhanced connectivity across North America with access to more than 50 new routes and 30 new destinations.

This expansion is being implemented following the U.S. Department of Transportation’s final approval of Qantas and American’s joint business.

“Our customers are captivated by the natural beauty and cultural richness Australia and New Zealand offer, so we’re excited to bring them even more frequent flyer benefits and expanded codeshare opportunities for their adventures,” said Bridget Blaise-Shamai, President of the AAdvantage program and Vice President of Customer Loyalty and Insights for American.

AAdvantage members can now earn miles and elite status faster than ever on eligible flights between the United States and Australia or New Zealand thanks to an increase in mileage accrual. Members may earn up to two times
more elite qualifying miles (EQMs) and elite qualifying dollars (EQDs) for most cabin classes on all eligible Qantas flights systemwide.

For more information about accruals, visit the Qantas partner page on aa.com.

Qantas Frequent Flyer members can now earn more Qantas Points and Status Credits on American flights. To learn more about Qantas Frequent Flyer earn rates, visit qantas.com.

**IMPROVED CONNECTIVITY WITH NEW CODESHARE DESTINATIONS**

American also recently expanded its codeshare on new routes operated by Qantas, for a new total of 32 codeshare markets.

New flights operated by Qantas with expanded American codeshare:

- Los Angeles (LAX) to Sydney (SYD)
- Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) to SYD
- San Francisco (SFO) to Melbourne, Australia (MEL)
- SFO to Brisbane, Australia (BNE)
- Chicago (ORD) to BNE

Qantas has expanded its codeshare with American, adding more than 50 new codeshare city pairs from DFW and ORD. This expansion adds 28 new codeshare destinations to the Qantas network in the United States.

With these new destinations, Qantas places its code on American services to more than 100 destinations and almost 200 domestic city pairs.

From DFW, the new codeshare destinations include:

- Spokane (GEG)
- Charleston (CHS)
- Dayton (DAY)
- Savannah (SAV)
- Vail/Eagle (EGE)

From ORD, the new codeshare routes include:

- New York (LGA and EWR)
- Boston (BOS)
“Our joint business with American Airlines has allowed us to offer new routes, better flight connections and more benefits for our frequent flyers,” said Tino La Spina, Qantas International CEO. “Qantas Frequent Flyers will now earn as many points when they travel to the U.S. with American Airlines as they do when they travel with Qantas. The new codeshare city pairs will provide even greater access for our frequent flyers to onward destinations across American’s extensive network, which will benefit customers travelling for business or holidays.”

In addition to the improved frequent flyer benefits, expanded codeshare and new routes to the United States, Qantas recently announced it would increase the number of reward seats made available to members.

About American Airlines Group
American Airlines and American Eagle offer an average of nearly 6,700 flights per day to nearly 350 destinations in more than 50 countries. American has hubs in Charlotte, Chicago, Dallas/Fort Worth, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Philadelphia, Phoenix and Washington, D.C. American is a founding member of the oneworld® alliance, whose members serve more than 1,000 destinations with about 14,250 daily flights to over 150 countries. Shares of American Airlines Group Inc. trade on Nasdaq under the ticker symbol AAL. In 2015, its stock joined the S&P 500 index. Connect with American on Twitter @AmericanAir and at Facebook.com/AmericanAirlines.

About Qantas
Founded in regional Queensland in 1920 — as Queensland and Northern Territory Aerial Services — Qantas has played a central role in the development of the Australian and international aviation industry. Today the Qantas Group is a diverse global aviation business, comprising Qantas Domestic, Qantas International, the Jetstar low-cost carrier group and Qantas Loyalty. In total, the Qantas Group operates over 300 aircraft on more than 7,300 flights each week and, together with its codeshare and oneworld partners, offers flights to more than 1000 destinations around the world. Qantas is ranked the world's safest airline by AirlineRatings.com, and holds many major awards for service, food and wine, technology and innovation. The Qantas Group carries over 50 million passengers each year and employs around 30,000 people.