American Airlines Celebrates Unveiling of New Concourse at New York’s LaGuardia Airport

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Carrier begins operating flights from new concourse at Terminal B on Saturday

NEW YORK — Today, American Airlines joined New York Governor Andrew M. Cuomo; Rick Cotton, Executive Director of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey; representatives from LaGuardia Gateway Partners (LGP) and LaGuardia Airport (LGA) team members to celebrate the unveiling of a new concourse at LGA’s Terminal B. American will begin operating flights out of the new concourse Dec. 1.

LGA team members attend the new concourse unveiling alongside Governor Cuomo

The new concourse offers best-in-class amenities and services.

The construction of the new concourse is the first step in the reimagining of Terminal B, where American has exclusively operated since December 2017. The $5.1 billion transformation of the rest of Terminal B is scheduled for completion in 2022 and is led by the Port Authority, LGP, American and other airport stakeholders.

“Today marks an important step in the evolution of LaGuardia,” said Michael J. Minerva, American’s Vice President of Government and Airport Affairs. “We’re investing back into our business in partnership with the Port Authority and LaGuardia Gateway Partners, making LaGuardia a more modern, enjoyable, customer-friendly gateway to the Big Apple.”

The new concourse is filled with world-class technology, innovation, best-in-class amenities and services, including notable brand names like FAO Schwarz, Shake Shack, and M·A·C, and provides a preview of what the completed
"For too long, LaGuardia Airport has offered its passengers a substandard experience, but this weekend's opening of the first new concourse shows the Port Authority is committed to improving the passenger experience with world-class facilities that turns Governor Cuomo's vision into a beautiful reality," said Port Authority Executive Director Rick Cotton. "American Airlines has been a fixture at LaGuardia since the airport's opening, and their use of these new gates helps symbolize the progress we're making to improve the customer experience as the airport enters an exciting new phase of its history."

Over the next few years, two new concourses featuring 35 gates will be built at Terminal B. The two concourses will be connected to the main terminal by dual pedestrian bridges spanning an active taxiway, allowing customers and aircraft to move about seamlessly. The project includes a new 840,000-square-foot main terminal with soaring ceilings and corridors filled with natural light.

LGA is not American's only hub or gateway getting an extreme makeover. With its airport partners, American has spent and committed billions of dollars for projects at Dallas Fort Worth International Airport (DFW), Miami International Airport (MIA), Reagan National Airport (DCA) in Washington, D.C., O'Hare International Airport (ORD) in Chicago and Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), where the airline recently broke ground on a $1.6 billion project.

American in New York

“American has proudly served this airport since it opened, 79 years ago this weekend,” said Loretta Bove, Managing Director for American at LGA. “Our latest investment at LGA will provide a more modern, enjoyable travel experience for our customers and a better workplace for the 6,000 American team members who work at LaGuardia.”

American connects New York to the world through its operations at LGA and John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK). At LGA American operates more than 170 daily flights to 41 destinations in the United States and Canada. In addition, the American Airlines Shuttle offers business travelers frequent and convenient access between LGA and Boston Logan International Airport (BOS), DCA and ORD — which was added to the Shuttle network earlier this year. Shuttle flights offer dedicated check-in areas, departure gates and baggage carousels at each airport.
More than 8,000 American team members are based at LGA and JFK and help American support a variety of community and civic programs important to the city through Do Crew, the airline’s team member volunteer program. They include City Year New York, PENCIL and the Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation. American has increased its corporate giving to charitable organizations across the city by nearly 30 percent since 2016.

LGA travel: Five things to know

- All American Airlines flights operate from Terminal B.
- Starting Dec. 1, flights begin operating from the new concourse and flights cease operating in Concourse A.
  Flights still operate out of the existing B, C, and D concourses.
- There are no changes to ticket counter or Admirals Club operations.
- American Customer Assistance Representatives will be stationed throughout the terminal to help guide customers.
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