

Rewarding AAdvantage Members With More Benefits and Flexibility in 2021

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American Airlines today announced enhancements to the award-winning AAdvantage loyalty program, providing members with the continued flexibility they need and making elite status easier to achieve in 2021.

- AAdvantage® members will get a head start on earning elite status for 2021 with an extra three months to earn towards elite qualification.
- Members who use AAdvantage credit cards have an additional path to status.
- Platinum Pro and Executive Platinum members rewarded for their loyalty with a new rewards menu.
- Elite members now enjoy benefits when traveling on a Basic Economy fare.
- AAdvantage members can view complete program details on aa.com/programupdates.

FORT WORTH, Texas — American Airlines today announced enhancements to the award-winning AAdvantage® loyalty program, providing members with the continued flexibility they need. American is making elite status easier to achieve in 2021 and is introducing a new rewards menu for its most loyal members.

“We realize this year has been challenging for our members, so we’re happy to provide more ways to achieve more rewards,” said Rick Elieson, President of the AAdvantage program. “We thank our members for their continued loyalty, and we look forward to our continued relationship both on the ground and inflight as we head towards 2021.”

Below are some highlights of the 2021 AAdvantage program:

ACHIEVING ELITE STATUS IN 2021

AAdvantage members can start earning elite status in 2021 right now. American will count all elite qualifying flight activity flown in the fourth quarter of 2020 toward a member's 2021 qualifications.

AADVANTAGE 2021 TIER REQUIREMENTS

	Gold	Platinum	Platinum Pro	Executive Platinum
Elite qualifying dollars (EQD)	2,000	4,500	7,000	12,000
Elite qualifying segments (EQS)	20	45	70	95
Elite qualifying miles (EQM)	20,000	40,000	60,000	80,000

Elite status achieved in 2021 is valid through Jan. 31, 2023.

For 2021, American will also waive the elite qualifying dollar requirement for Gold, Platinum and Platinum Pro if members spend \$30,000 on purchases with their eligible AAdvantage credit cards. This gives members another way to achieve their elite status goal.

REWARDING OUR MOST LOYAL MEMBERS

American thanks our elite members for their continued loyalty by making status even more rewarding in 2021. Awaiting Platinum Pro and Executive Platinum members is a curated menu of rewards, including items such as systemwide upgrades, Admirals Club day passes, bonus AAdvantage miles and more. This choice of rewards gives members achieving status in 2021 the flexibility to select the reward they value the most. More details will be coming soon.

CARING FOR ELITE STATUS INTO 2021

As a reminder, in April, AAdvantage Gold, Platinum, Platinum Pro and Executive Platinum elite members at that time had their **status automatically extended to Jan. 31, 2022**, given the reduced travel this year due to the

ongoing coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

ELITE BENEFITS NOW AVAILABLE
ON BASIC ECONOMY FARES

Since Oct. 1, elite members enjoy benefits such as priority access, upgrades privileges, access to Preferred and Main Cabin Extra Seats and same-day confirmed flight changes during their journey on Basic Economy fares.

To upgrade, elite members can use their 500-mile upgrade certificates, systemwide upgrade certificates or mileage award upgrades just as they do today with a Main Cabin fare.

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