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New timetable in effect from October 27, 2019:

Munich Airport to offer nearly 200 destinations worldwide in the coming winter season

- São Paulo makes debut as new South American destination
- Osaka on winter timetable for the first time
- 51 intercontinental destinations

It's that time of year again: At the end of October, coinciding with to the end of daylight savings time, the winter timetable season will begin at Munich Airport. The new schedule will be launched on Sunday, October 27, 2019 and will remain in effect until Saturday, March 28, 2020. During that time, travellers at Munich Airport can choose from among 194 destinations in 69 countries – including 16 in Germany, 127 European destinations and 51 long-haul routes.

The timetable switch will bring the South American continent a little nearer to Munich with a second non-stop service: Lufthansa is launching a connection to São Paulo, and will depart for the Brazilian metropolis every Monday, Thursday and Saturday. The route will be served with the quietest and most fuel-efficient long-haul airliner currently in operation: the Airbus A350. The Colombian airline Avianca has been flying from Munich to Bogotá five times a week since November 2018.

In North American traffic, the US carrier United will offer flights from Munich to San Francisco in the winter season for the first time, with six weekly departures.

The winter timetable also features new developments in the Asian travel segment: Lufthansa will now serve its Munich to Shanghai route for the first time with an Airbus A380, the world's largest passenger aircraft. The German carrier is also offering a daily flight to Osaka, Japan, over the winter months.

In the tourist segment, Lufthansa is adding new services to the Caribbean, with one flight a week to Santa Clara [Cuba], Bridgetown [Barbados] and to La Romana and Punta Cana in the Dominican Republic. Lufthansa will fly these routes with Airbus A330 widebody jets operated by its Eurowings subsidiary.

Within Europe, Lufthansa will be serving four new destinations this winter: From the end of November, it will offer two weekly flights to Tromsø in the far north of Norway. Lufthansa will also be departing three times a week to Tallinn in Estonia as of November and six times a week to Newcastle in the UK from February 2020. With a new daily flight from Munich to Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia, Lufthansa is taking over a portion of that route from Adria Airways.

Norwegian is expanding its route network with the addition of three weekly flights to the Danish capital of Copenhagen. Belavia will operate four weekly flights from Munich to Minsk, the capital of Belarus, this winter. Air France is stepping up its services to Paris by adding a sixth daily flight. Vueling began flying to Florence five times a week at the end of the summer season and will now continue these services into the winter period.

FMG (Flughafen München GmbH), incorporated in 1949, operates Munich Airport, which opened at its present site on May 17, 1992. It is jointly owned by the Free State of Bavaria (51 percent), the Federal Republic of Germany (26 percent) and the city of Munich (23 percent). The FMG corporate group, with its 21 subsidiaries, employs approximately 10,000 people. With a total workforce of more than 38,000, employed by about 520 companies, Munich Airport is one of Bavaria's largest workplaces. Within just a few years of opening, Munich Airport developed into a major air transportation hub and was firmly established as one of Europe's 10 busiest airports. Munich Airport now offers connections to more than 250 destinations all over the world. In 2018 Bavaria's gateway to the world has handled approximately 413,000 flights with 46.3 million passengers. Bavaria's gateway to the world became the first – and is so far the only – airport in Europe to be honored with the prestigious title of »5-Star Airport« by the London-based Skytrax Institute.

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