

United Airlines' Inaugural Flight from Denver to Montego Bay Gets a Grand Reception

Montego Bay - November 6, 2023 – MBJ Airports Limited has welcomed the inaugural flight of United Airlines from Denver, Colorado, USA to Montego Bay, Jamaica at the Sangster International Airport (SIA).

This new flight arrived at 3:40pm on Saturday, November 4, 2023. It will operate once weekly providing travellers with a convenient and reliable connection between the West Coast of the United States and the pristine shores of Montego Bay.

This milestone United Airlines flight got a resounding welcome with a water cannon salute as the aircraft taxied to its designated gate at Sangster International Airport. Local dignitaries and a spirited mento band converged at the arrival gate to extend a warm Jamaican reception to arriving passengers.

The flight captain and crew were honoured with a presentation of distinctive branded Jamaica gifts, underscoring the partnership between United Airlines and the enchanting destination of Montego Bay.

Andrew Chambers, Station Manager at United Airlines, conveyed that he is elated to see remarkable growth and innovation within the aviation sector. "United Airlines has made the largest airplane order in history, this is referred to as United Next, with this United Airlines has been able to expand and make this route from Denver to Montego Bay possible. United Airlines currently has 104 flights monthly at MBJ operating 5 routes Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR), George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH), O'Hare International Airport (ORD), Dulles International Airport (IAD) and now Denver International Airport (DIA)," Chambers stated.

Hon. Daryl Vaz, Minister of Science, Energy, Telecommunications and Transport, who was unavoidably absent conveyed his enthusiasm regarding the bolstered connections between the United States and Jamaica that this new route represents. In his message, Minister Vaz noted, "This inaugural flight between Denver and Montego Bay marks a significant step in fortifying the ties between the United States and Jamaica. It opens new gateways for both business and leisure travellers and is a testament to the enduring partnership between our two nations."

The Airports Authority of Jamaica (AAJ) is also very pleased to welcome the Inaugural flight of United Airlines from Denver International Airport (DIA) to the Sangster International Airport (SIA). "This service signals further extension of United Airlines' destinations from the United States into SIA/Jamaica and offers greater convenience of direct flights to our travellers between Denver and Jamaica," stated Audley Deidrick, President & CEO, Airports Authority of Jamaica.

Candesa Cassanova, Visitor Relations Manager of the Jamaica Tourist Board, underscored the role of tourism in the Jamaican economy and the transformative potential of this newly established air route. "Tourism is at the heart of Jamaica's economy, and this new flight route is a welcome addition. We believe it holds transformative potential for our tourism industry, offering travellers more convenient access to our beautiful island," Cassanova commented.

Shane Munroe, CEO of MBJ Airports, acknowledged the partnership between United Airlines and Montego Bay as a momentous step in expanding avenues for the travel industry.

"The collaboration between United Airlines and Montego Bay is a remarkable milestone in expanding horizons for the travel industry. We look forward to facilitating memorable journeys for travellers between Denver and Montego Bay," Munroe stated.

This inaugural flight stands as a testament to United Airlines' unwavering commitment to delivering superlative service and enhancing passenger connectivity. It fortifies the bond between Denver, Colorado, and the captivating Caribbean destination that is Montego Bay.

As the flight concluded its journey at Sangster International Airport, passengers disembarked with beaming smiles, eager to immerse themselves in the beauty and warmth that Montego Bay has to offer. United Airlines remains steadfast in its mission to create exceptional travel experiences, and this inaugural flight embodies that dedication.



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About United

At United, Good Leads The Way. With U.S. hubs in Chicago, Denver, Houston, Los Angeles, Newark/New York, San Francisco and Washington, D.C., United operates the most comprehensive global route network among North American carriers and is now the largest airline in the world as measured by available seat miles. For more information about the company visit www.united.com. United Airlines Holdings, Inc., the parent company of United Airlines, Inc., is traded on the Nasdaq under the symbol "UAL".

About Sangster International Airport:

Sangster International Airport (IATA: MBJ, ICAO: MKJS) is an international airport located 3 mi (4.8 km) east of Montego Bay, Jamaica. The airport is capable of handling nine million passengers per year. It serves as the most popular airport for tourists visiting the north coast of Jamaica. The airport is named after former Jamaican Prime Minister Sir Donald Sangster.

About MBI Airports Limited:

MBJ Airports Limited, the operator of Sangster International Airport, connects Jamaica to more than 60 international destinations. A record 4.7m passengers used the airport in 2019. MBI operates SIA under a 30-year concession awarded in 2003 and the airport provides employment to more than 7,500 persons. SIA has been named the Caribbean's Leading Airport by World Travel Awards for 14 years.