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## **Avelo Airlines Takes Flight in Montego Bay with Nonstop Service to Hartford, Connecticut**

*Affordable, one-way fares from MBJ start at \$172*

**MONTEGO BAY, Jamaica; November 16, 2024** – Avelo Airlines today launched its first scheduled international route between Jamaica’s Sangster International Airport (MBJ) and Hartford’s Bradley International Airport (BDL). Affordable, one-way fares start at \$172\*.

Avelo is the only airline offering nonstop service between Montego Bay and the capital region of Connecticut. Beginning today, Avelo will operate this route twice weekly on Wednesdays and Saturdays, utilizing Boeing Next-Generation 737 aircraft. Travelers can make reservations at [AveloAir.com](https://www.aveloair.com).

Not only is Montego Bay a popular vacation destination but Connecticut is also home to one of the largest Jamaican communities in the world, boasting the fifth largest population of residents with Jamaican ancestry among all U.S. states. According to census data, there are more than 56,000 residents with Jamaican ancestry in Connecticut.

**Avelo Airlines Founder and CEO Andrew Levy** said, “Montego Bay – Say hello to Avelo! Our inaugural international service in Montego Bay is a significant milestone for Avelo. With a large Jamaican community residing in Connecticut, we are looking forward to making it easier for them to connect with family and friends. As the only airline offering nonstop service to Jamaica from Connecticut, we look forward to making Montego Bay’s famous beaches, as well as its vibrant energy and laid-back charm, easier than ever for Connecticut travelers to enjoy.”

**MBJ Airports Limited CEO Shane Munroe** said, "We are thrilled to welcome Avelo Airlines to Montego Bay as the airline's first international destination and to add Bradley International Airport to the list of gateways connecting Jamaica with the world. This new route not only expands travel options for both leisure and business travelers, but it also highlights the growing demand for direct, affordable flights to one of the Caribbean's most vibrant destinations. We are confident that this will not only boost tourism to Jamaica but also open more opportunities for cultural exchange and business between the two regions. We look forward to a successful partnership with Avelo Airlines and have visitors from Connecticut and surrounding areas experience the warmth, culture, and beauty of Jamaica."

**Jamaican Minister of Tourism HM Edmund Bartlett** said, "As our number one source market, the US remains a critical pillar in our growth strategy and this new flight will help us to get more

visitors from this market. It will make it easier and more seamless for visitors from New England to get to Jamaica which will create more jobs and more earnings for our economy. We welcome Avelo and know that Jamaica will leave an indelible mark on all who come to our beautiful and vibrant island."

**Jamaican Director of Tourism Donovan White** said, "This new service between Montego Bay and Hartford not only strengthens our connection with the vibrant Jamaican diaspora in Connecticut but also opens up exciting opportunities for leisure travelers from New England to experience Jamaica's warm hospitality, rich culture, and world-class attractions. The addition of this twice-weekly service reinforces Jamaica's position as a premier Caribbean destination and demonstrates the continued confidence airlines have in our tourism product. We look forward to welcoming visitors aboard Avelo's inaugural flight and providing them with an unforgettable Jamaican experience."

### **Hartford – The Capital Way to Connecticut**

From its origins as a Connecticut River trading post in 1633, Hartford is the capital of Connecticut and known as the insurance capital of the world, with a slew of historical attractions, a thriving arts and entertainment center, a revitalized riverfront and beautiful parks and public gardens. It's home to the Mark Twain House & Museum where the lovable Huck Finn and Tom Sawyer were born in the imagination of celebrated author Mark Twain and immortalized on paper during the writer's Hartford years.

Bradley International Airport (BDL) is New England's second-largest airport. Recognized nationally by leading travel publications for its ease of travel, Bradley International Airport is ready to welcome travelers with new nonstops and expanded services.

Avelo also flies to Southern Connecticut via Tweed-New Haven Airport (HVN). Home to the airline's largest base – employing nearly 300 Crewmembers supporting eight aircraft which fly to 27 nonstop destinations. Since taking flight at HVN in November 2021, Avelo has flown more than 2.7 million Customers at Tweed on over 20,000 flights.

### **America's Most Convenient Airline**

Since taking flight on April 28, 2021, Avelo has flown more than 5.7 million Customers on over 45,000 flights. Today Avelo serves 49 cities spanning 23 states and Puerto Rico, as well as two international destinations: Jamaica and Mexico.

Avelo has unlocked a new era of convenience, choice, and competition by flying unserved routes to primarily underserved communities across the country. Every route has at least one small, easy to use airport. This makes every Avelo journey a smooth, easy, and more enjoyable experience than contending with the crowds, congestion and long walks at larger airports.

Avelo is distinguished by its industry-leading reliability. Year-to-date, Avelo ranks #1 in on-time performance and achieved the lowest flight cancellation rate in the industry. These results are reported by Anuvu, a leading aviation data services company also utilized by The Wall Street

Journal for the publication's annual airline ranking. Anuvu's complete industry results and rankings are available at [AveloAir.com](https://AveloAir.com).

Avelo Customers can always change or cancel their itineraries with no extra fees. Additionally, families can travel with ease knowing every child 14 and under will be automatically seated with an accompanying adult at no additional cost.

Avelo offers advanced seat assignments for sale. One third of its seats are extra leg room seats, ranging from 32 inches to more than 36 inches, offering a more comfortable experience for Customers who value more space. In addition to advance seat assignments, Avelo offers several unbundled travel-enhancing options that give Customers the flexibility to pay only for what they value, including priority boarding, checked bags, carry-on overhead bags, and bringing a pet in the cabin.

### About Avelo Airlines

Avelo Airlines' purpose is to *Inspire Travel* by saving travelers time and money. The airline offers travelers time and money-saving convenience, everyday low fares, and a refreshingly smooth, caring and reliable travel experience. Operating a fleet of 20 Boeing Next-Generation 737 aircraft, Avelo serves 49 popular destinations across the United States, Jamaica and Mexico, including its six bases at Los Angeles' Hollywood Burbank Airport (BUR), Southern Connecticut's Tweed-New Haven Airport (HVN), the Philadelphia / Delaware Valley region's Wilmington Airport (ILG), Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU), the Bay Area's Sonoma County Airport (STS) and Central Florida's Lakeland International Airport (LAL). For more information visit [AveloAir.com](https://AveloAir.com) or the Avelo Newsroom at [AveloAir.com/Newsroom](https://AveloAir.com/Newsroom).

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\*Affordable, one-way fares include government taxes and fees. Fares start at \$172 originating at MBJ and ending at BDL for travel between January 22, 2025, and February 8, 2025. Fares must be booked by November 23, 2024. Fares are available on a limited number of flights and seats. Additional fees for carry-on and checked bags, assigned seats and other optional services may apply. A \$25 charge per seated traveler applies to all bookings or changes made through Avelo's Customer Support Center. For full terms and conditions, please see Avelo's [Contract of Carriage](#).