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## **Avelo Airlines Takes Flight in Montego Bay with Nonstop Service to North Carolina's Research Triangle**

*Affordable, one-way fares from MBJ start at \$173*

**MONTEGO BAY, Jamaica; Feb. 12, 2025** – Avelo Airlines today launched its first scheduled international route between Jamaica's Sangster International Airport (MBJ) and the Research Triangle's Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU) in North Carolina. Affordable, one-way fares start at \$173\*.

Avelo is the only airline offering nonstop service between Montego Bay and the Research Triangle of North Carolina. 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).

With the addition of this new route, Raleigh / Durham (RDU) joins Avelo's current nonstop service to Hartford's Bradley International Airport (BDL) in Connecticut from Montego Bay (MBJ).

**Avelo Airlines Founder and CEO Andrew Levy** said, "Montego Bay – it's time for more Avelo! Our second route to Montego Bay is a significant milestone for Avelo. Our mission is to Inspire Travel, and the addition of more service at MBJ offers our Customers more choices. As the only airline offering nonstop service to Jamaica from North Carolina's Research Triangle, we are making it more convenient and affordable for our Customers traveling to Montego Bay to experience the island's famous beaches, vibrant energy and laid-back charm."

**Sangster International Airport CEO Shane Munroe** stated, "We are thrilled to welcome Avelo Airlines and their new nonstop service connecting Raleigh-Durham, North Carolina, with Montego Bay. This new route not only enhances travel options for our passengers but also strengthens our international connectivity. We are committed to offering travelers an exceptional experience at MBJ and are confident that this route will be a success for both Avelo Airlines and Jamaica's vibrant travel and tourism industry."

### **Raleigh / Durham, N.C. (RDU) – Nonstop Access to The Research Triangle**

The Triangle Region offers the widest range of activities and attractions in North Carolina. This region boasts award-winning inns, hotels and spas, culinary delights for every taste, and cultural experiences including university gardens and art and history museums. A trip to this blossoming Southern metropolis leaves visitors enriched and energized the instant they're

welcomed by its smart, savvy locals. RDU is also home to three large research universities: Duke University, NC State University and the University of North Carolina.

**RDU Airport Authority President and CEO Michael Landguth** said, ““It has been exciting to watch Avelo grow from flying one route to launching international service at RDU. The Montego Bay launch kicks off a new era for Avelo as they offer Triangle-area travelers more opportunities for an island getaway.”

### **America’s Most Reliable and Convenient Airline**

Since taking flight on April 28, 2021, Avelo has flown more than 6.3 million Customers on nearly 50,000 flights. Today Avelo serves 53 cities spanning 23 states and Puerto Rico, as well as three international destinations: Jamaica, Mexico and the Dominican Republic.

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

Avelo is distinguished by its industry-leading reliability. In 2024, Avelo ranked #1 in on-time performance and achieved the lowest flight cancellation rate in the U.S. airline industry. These results are provided 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 also delivers world-class customer satisfaction, exemplified by our Net Promoter Scores (NPS), which consistently rank among the best airlines and most admired brands in the world.

Avelo offers an abundance of advanced seating options. One third of its aircraft seats (Avelo Premium and Premium Economy) offer extra leg room — ranging from 32 inches to more than 36 inches of pitch. These seats offer a more comfortable experience for Customers who value more space. Customers can also purchase window and aisle seats in advance of their flight. 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.

Additionally, families can travel with ease knowing every child 14 and under will be automatically seated with an accompanying adult at no additional cost.



Sharon Hislop-Holt (right), Manager of Commercial Business Development and Marketing at MBI Airports Limited pauses for a quick photo after presenting arriving passengers on the inaugural Avelo Airlines flight from Raleigh-Durham International Airport in North Carolina to Montego Bay with welcome tokens. Sharing in the moment are Mrs. Odette Soberam-Dyer, Regional Director, Jamaica, Jamaica Tourist Board (left), and His Worship, Councillor Richard Vernon (2nd left), Mayor of Montego Bay and arriving passenger and baby.



Hon. Edmund Bartlett (2nd left), Minister of Tourism, joins Mrs. Odette Soberam-Dyer, Regional Director, Jamaica, Jamaica Tourist Board (3rd left), His Worship, Councillor Richard Vernon (4th left), Mayor of Montego Bay; Sharon Hislop-Holt (4th right), Manager of Commercial Business Development and Marketing at MBI Airports Limited and Joy Roberts, Executive Director, Jamaica Vacations Limited (JAMVAC), (2nd right), to welcome Capt. Joseph Trevino and other crew members on the inaugural Avelo Airlines flight from Raleigh-Durham International Airport in North Carolina to Montego Bay.

### 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 53 popular destinations across the United States, Jamaica, Mexico and the Dominican Republic, 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). Avelo will open its seventh and eighth bases at Charlotte's Concord-Padgett Regional Airport (USA) and Coastal North Carolina's Wilmington International Airport (ILM) in spring 2025. 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 \$173 originating at MBI and ending at RDU for travel between April 30 and May 17, 2025. Fares must be booked by February 18, 2024. Fares are available on a limited number of flights and seats. These routes are subject to foreign government approval. 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](#).