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Fun in the Sun! Air Canada Introduces Winter Service from Quebec City to Cancun, Mexico and Punta Cana, Dominican Republic

First Air Canada direct service betweenQuebec City and these sun destinations

MONTREAL, July 17, 2019 /CNW Telbec/ - Air Canada today announced two new winter services fromQuebec City (YQB) to popular sun destinations Cancun, Mexico and Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. Service to Cancun begins December 21, 2019 until April 11, 2020, while Punta Cana flights start December 22, 2019 until April 12, 2020.

"We are thrilled to offer residents of Quebec City these non-stop connections to the popular winter getaway destinations of Cancun and Punta Cana. We are adding these new international leisure routes to meet anticipated demand from the capital of Quebec and offer Quebec City residents easy access to incredible holiday experiences," said Lucie Guillemette, Executive Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer at Air Canada.

Travellers who book their next winter getaway departing from Quebec City to Cancun or Punta Cana can benefit from a vacation package offer through <u>Air Canada Vacations</u> that will save them \$200 per couple or \$400 per family.



This announcement represents the first expansion of Air Canada's leisure travel offerings since the announcement of its exclusive agreement to pursue a combination with Transat A.T. The transaction, if completed, is expected to facilitate continued growth and expansion in the highly competitive, global leisure travel segment.

ith over 700 hotels, resorts, cruises, tours, as well as optional day tours, car rentals and excursions, Air Canada Vacations offers a full selection of leisure travel options for Canadians to more than 40 destinations throughout the Caribbean, Mexico, and Central and South America.

"We welcome the news that Air Canada has chosen to strengthen its presence inQuebec City by offering international flights from YQB. By improving its winter service and adding flights to winter sun destinations, the airline meets the needs and demands of the people of Quebec. This announcement is the result of a great collaboration between Air Canada and YQB," said Stéphane Poirier, President and CEO of YQB.

The flights will be operated on a 200-seat all-economy Air Canada Rouge Airbus A321. Travellers will be able to stream TV shows and movies to their personal devices via the onboard GoGo Wi-Fi streaming service.

Customers can also collect and redeem Aeroplan Miles through Canada's leading loyalty program, and eligible customers have access to priority check-in, priority boarding and other benefits.

Flight	Departs	Arrives	Days of Week
AC1776	Quebec City	Cancun 13:00	Saturday
	08:00		
AC1777	Cancun 14:00	Quebec City	Saturday
		18:30	
AC1772	Quebec City	Punta Cana 13:50	Sunday
	08:20		
AC1773	Punta Cana 14:50	Quebec City	Sunday
		18:30	

Air Canada in Quebec City

Including these two new routes, Air Canada will offer close to 1.2 million seats in the Quebec City market in 2019. Air Canada, Air Canada Rouge and its regional airline partners flying under the Air Canada Express banner operate approximately 275 flights per week between Quebec and Montreal, Sept-Iles, Gaspe, Toronto and Ottawa.

The Air Canada Foundation also helps support several charities in theQuebec City region, such as Opération Enfant Soleil, Fondation Sourdine and Leucan Region Quebec.

About Air Canada

Air Canada is Canada's largest domestic and international airline serving nearly 220 airports on six continents. Canada's flag carrier is among the 20 largest airlines in the world and in 2018 served nearly 51 million customers. Air Canada provides scheduled passenger service directly to 62 airports in Canada, 54 in the United States and 100 in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia, Australia, the Caribbean, Mexico, Central America and South America. Air Canada is a founding member of Star Alliance, the world's most comprehensive air transportation network serving 1,317 airports in 193 countries. Air Canada is the only international network carrier in North America to receive a Four-Star ranking according to independent U.K. research firm Skytrax, which also named Air Canada the 2019 Best Airline in North America. For more information, please visit: aircanada.com/media, follow @AirCanada on Twitter and join Air Canada on Facebook.

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Air Canada Vacations is a leading Canadian vacation expert offering a wide selection of vacation packages and cruises to destinations across Mexico and the Caribbean, Central and South America, Europe, Canada and the USA and is a repeat recipient of the Consumer's Choice Award. Air Canada Vacations offers convenient connectors from 63 Canadian cities, web and mobile check-in and Aeroplan® Miles. Air Canada Vacations packages include flights on board Air Canada and Air Canada Rouge. For more information visit: <u>aircanadavacations.com</u>

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