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New BA routes launched to Germany

British Airways has announced new routes to Berlin Tegel (TXL) from London City (LCY) and London Stansted (STN) and to Hamburg (HAM) from London City (LCY).

New Salt Lake City service operated by Delta Air Lines

From 24 April 2016, Salt Lake City will be Delta's eighth U.S. destination from Heathrow and the only nonstop service between London and the Mountain West.

***Visa Applications to Russia – 2 updates.....**

Biometric Procedure. The Embassy of Russia requires that all individuals applying for a Russian visa in the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland provide biometric data, *specifically fingerprints*, as part of the visa application process. Applicants will be required to appear in person at either the Russian Visa Application Centre in London, or Matrix Travel's agents, CIBT, also in central London. The only exceptions to this rule are applicants under the age of 12 years, and those travelling for official business or holding a diplomatic passport.

It is now even more imperative that the application, supporting documents and payment be in complete conformance to consular requirements, so as to avoid a potential rejection and thus avoid subsequent visits, costs and inconvenience. Our passport and visas agent, CIBT, offers a fully comprehensive service to ensure documents are correctly checked and verified prior to the application being submitted to the Visa Application Centre. Applicants wishing to apply in Scotland must visit the Application Centre in Edinburgh in person in order to submit their biometric data.

Russian Invitations. For travel to Russia, all travellers must have a visa and an official Letter of Invitation or Tourist Voucher and Tourist Confirmation approved by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or its regional representatives. For all EU nationals, submissions by telex are no longer accepted: instead the above-mentioned officially approved Business Invitation is now required. Obtaining this official document can be a complex and time-consuming process. Please ask Matrix Travel for further information.

British Airways takes off to Tehran

British Airways is resuming flights to Tehran in July 2016. There will be six flights a week to the Iranian capital on board a Boeing 777 aircraft, increasing to daily services in Winter 2016. Tehran is tipped to be a popular destination in 2016. Tehran is one of 14 new British Airways routes for 2016, including San Jose in Costa Rica, San Jose in California and Lima in Peru.

From Glasgow to Paris and the World with Air France

On 27 March, Air France commenced a new daily service from Glasgow.

KLM to operate daily services from Inverness and Southampton

From May, KLM will operate its own services from Southampton (16 May) and from Inverness (17 May) to Amsterdam

KLM new codeshare partnership with Jet Airways via Amsterdam

The codeshare agreement brings convenient new travel options for customers flying via Amsterdam Airport Schiphol to India and beyond. KLM customers can now connect at Amsterdam Airport Schiphol to Jet Airways' new daily flights to New Delhi and Mumbai, with onward destinations that include Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Chennai, Ahmedabad, Kochi, Goa, Kolkata and Amritsar in India; Dhaka, Bangladesh; Kathmandu, Nepal; and Colombo, Sri Lanka.

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