



South African Airways strengthens presence in Ghana

JOHANNESBURG. 8 August 2019. South African Airways is further strengthening its presence in Ghana by increasing weekly frequencies from 9 to 10 flights between Johannesburg and Accra, and by launching a daily service between Accra and Washington DC, with effect from 5th September 2019.

All services to Washington DC commence in Johannesburg with a short stopover in Accra.

These two additional weekly services to Washington DC provide SAA's most convenient schedule yet between Ghana and North America, and will also deliver seamless connections for customers from across West Africa. This includes connections to/from Abuja and Lagos in Nigeria; to/from Monrovia in Liberia; and to/from Freetown in Sierra Leone. This important strategic milestone has been made possible through SAA's growing co-operation and partnership with Africa World Airlines (AWA).

At the same time, SAA is examining new opportunities to connect Dakar services through our Accra base. Whilst these plans are finalised, SAA will temporarily suspend services between Johannesburg and Dakar, with effect from 5th September 2019.

Welcoming these developments, SAA's Acting CEO, Zuks Ramasia, stated: "One of the key pillars of our strategy is to connect South Africa to West Africa and beyond to North America. Our partnership with Africa World Airlines (AWA) continues to deepen with these new schedules and benefits customers across the African Continent."

Sean Mendis, Chief Operating Officer at Africa World Airlines, is in agreement: "Expanding our co-operation with SAA means that passengers can enjoy quick and seamless connections between AWA and SAA flights in Accra's new Terminal 3."

The new schedule will operate as below (local times):

SA209 (Daily)

Johannesburg (JNB) departs 18h30 to Accra (ACC), arrives 22h35

Accra (ACC) departs 23h35 to Washington Dulles (IAD), arrives 06h25 (next day)

SA210 (Daily)

Washington Dulles (IAD) departs 17h40 to Accra (ACC), arrives 08h10 (next day)

Accra (ACC) departs 09h10 to Johannesburg (JNB), arrives 16h55

SA056 (Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays)

Johannesburg (JNB) departs 13h05 to Accra (ACC), arrives 17h10

Accra (ACC) departs 18h10 to Abidjan (ABJ), arrives 19h10

SA057 (Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays)

Abidjan (ABJ) departs 20h20 to Accra (ACC), arrives 21h20

Accra (ACC) departs 22h20 to Johannesburg (JNB), arrives 06h05 (next day)

These schedules are being published simultaneously across all SAA Distribution Channels.

Ticketed SAA customers travelling between Johannesburg and Washington DC via Dakar (Blaise Diagne International) and those travelling between Johannesburg and Dakar, will be contacted and re-routed or re-accommodated as appropriate. Full details can be found at www.flysaa.com.

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About South African Airways

South African Airways (SAA) is the leading carrier in Africa, serving 57 destinations, in partnership with SA Express, Airlink, and its low-cost carrier, Mango, within South Africa and across the continent, and nine intercontinental routes from its Johannesburg hub. It is a member of the largest international airline network, Star Alliance. SAA's core business is the provision of passenger airline and cargo transport services together with related services, which are provided through SAA and its wholly owned subsidiaries: SAA Technical; Mango its low-cost carrier; and Air Chefs, the catering entity of SAA. SAA is the winner of the Best Airline Staff Service award in the Africa category; this shows that our customer-facing employees are our true brand ambassadors who made a difference to millions of travelling customers. SAA is one of six airlines globally certified as IEnvA Stage 2, the highest and most comprehensive level in terms of environmental regulatory compliance and governance thereto.

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