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Lufthansa taking off into the Tokyo sky with Airbus A350-900

- **Tokyo becomes the sixth destination worldwide to receive Lufthansa's A350-900, and the second in Northern Asia**
- **Lufthansa's Airbus A350-900 to replace A340-600 for increased efficiency, improved comfort and generous space**

Starting from 1 December 2017 (from 2 December out of Tokyo), Lufthansa will operate its daily flight between Tokyo Haneda and Munich with the world's most modern long-haul aircraft, the Airbus A350-900. In addition, the innovative new aircraft raises the benchmark on efficiency and travel comfort, reaffirming Lufthansa's commitment to Japanese customers. Tokyo becomes the sixth destination worldwide to receive Lufthansa's A350-900 and the second North-Asian destination after Beijing.

"We are pleased to bring the Airbus A350-900 to Tokyo Haneda from our Munich hub. This aircraft is truly state-of-the-art. It provides passengers with improved comfort and a more generous amount of space in all travel classes," said Mr. Donald Bunkenburg, Senior Director Japan and Korea, Lufthansa Group Airlines. He continued, "The Airbus A350-900 is now the world's most advanced and most environmentally friendly long-haul aircraft. It uses 25 percent less kerosene, produces 25 percent fewer emissions and is significantly quieter on take-off than comparable types of aircraft."

Tokyo is an important destination for business travelers as well as a growing number of leisure travelers visiting Tokyo for pleasure. Asia's largest metropolis offers visitors an extraordinary mixture of ancient and modern culture.

Lufthansa Group currently offers Japanese passengers two very strong and distinctive airline brands: Lufthansa German Airlines and Swiss International Air Lines. Both Group airlines operate a total of 29 weekly flights to/from Japan. As of May 2018, Austrian Airlines will offer up to five weekly non-stop flights from Tokyo Narita to Vienna. The Lufthansa Group has one of the largest networks of European destinations with seamless connections from Japan.

Lufthansa A350-900

The Lufthansa A350-900 is the world's most modern and environmental friendly long-haul aircraft. In comparison with similar types of aircraft, it consumes 25 percent less fuel and produces 25 percent fewer emissions. The noise footprint is up to 50 percent smaller than comparable aircraft types. The aircraft offers Lufthansa's best on-board product, assuring passengers the highest level of comfort in all travel classes, with a wider cabin, new seats in Economy Class, bigger windows, large TV screens, innovative mood lighting, personalized playlist and much more. The Lufthansa A350-900 is configured to seat 293 passengers: 48 in Business Class, 21 in Premium Economy and 224 in Economy Class.

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The features offered by the on-board entertainment system on the Airbus A350-900 are likewise leading edge. Passengers can make a selection from the onboard program from home before setting off to the airport adding their favorite items to a playlist. To make use of this functionality, passengers simply download the "Lufthansa Companion App" onto their own tablet or mobile phone. The on-board program is available up to six weeks in advance. Once on board the Lufthansa Airbus A350-900, passengers synchronize their personal favorite playlists with the screen in front of the seat, and they even have the option of using their own mobile device as a second screen.

Lufthansa is the first airline worldwide to use a range of different settings for the on-board lighting of the A350-900 which are designed to fit with the day and night-time biorhythms of the passengers by providing the right type of light at the right time. Lighting effects will also be used to emulate a pleasant restaurant atmosphere on board during mealtimes. Altogether, the new A350-900 LED technology can provide around 24 different lighting settings.

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