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SWISS launches twice-weekly direct flights between Manchester and Geneva from 20 December

SWISS is set to increase its network out of northern England with the addition of two weekly direct flights from Manchester to Geneva from 20 December 2009. The new scheduled route, now bookable on swiss.com/uk from just £77 return including all taxes and free transportation of snowsport equipment, takes SWISS's number of weekly flights out of Manchester to 26.

The new direct route to Geneva will be operated by an Avro RJ100 and is set to operate until 11 April 2010. Flights operate on Saturdays and Sundays as follows:

Saturdays

- OUT: LX367 (from 26 December) leaving Manchester at 17.15 and arriving in Geneva at 20.15
- BACK: LX366 (from 26 December) leaving Geneva at 15.35 and arriving in Manchester at 16.40

Sundays

- OUT: LX361 (from 20 December) leaving Manchester 10.00 and arriving in Geneva 13.00
- BACK: LX360 (from 20 December) leaving Geneva at 08.15 and arriving in Manchester at 09.20

As well as offering a direct connection to the city of Geneva itself and all its winter offerings, the new service will afford travellers access to a range of acclaimed ski resorts in the nearby area such as Les Gets, Morzine, Megeve, Chatel, Avoriaz, Chamonix, Villars and Verbier.



Gregor Koncilja, country manager UK and Ireland at SWISS, said, "We are delighted to be reintroducing connection between the UK and Switzerland, which was so popular last season. It demonstrates our commitment to both tourism in the Lake Geneva area and to our customers in northern England, north Wales and Scotland.

"Leisure travellers looking for a ski holiday or extended city break can now escape conveniently and directly to Geneva, whilst enjoying the services of a top quality airline and the associated benefits of free baggage allowance, complimentary transportation of skis, food and beverage and, of course, Swiss hospitality from the moment they board the flight.

"We will also be offering a business class service for those who wish to travel out of Manchester in style and enjoy the benefits of our elegant business class lounge in Geneva."

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From the UK and Ireland alone Swiss International Air Lines, the national airline of Switzerland, offers 29 daily flights, serving **Basel, Geneva** and **Zurich** from **London City** and **Manchester**, and **Zurich** from **London Heathrow, Birmingham** and **Dublin**. For flights from the UK and Ireland SWISS offers two classes, Economy and Swiss Business, and the flexibility to book a different class in each direction.

From its Zurich hub and from Basel and Geneva international airports, SWISS's 85-aircraft fleet serves 90 destinations in 42 countries around the world. As part of the Lufthansa Group and as a member of the global Star Alliance, SWISS remains true to its mission of providing quality air services that link Switzerland with Europe and the world.

All SWISS flights offer value for money, SWISS's quality in-flight service, including free food and drink, and Miles and More frequent flyer mileage-earning opportunities.

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