

# AMERICAN AIRLINES LAUNCHES NEW CHICAGO, DALLAS-FORT WORTH FLIGHTS TO ST. THOMAS

DALLAS-FORT WORTH, TEXAS, UNITED STATES, December 23, 2019 /EINPresswire.com/ -- American Airlines has launched new winter service to St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands with the arrival of flights from Chicago (ORD) and Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) today, December 21, 2019.

Flights from Chicago O'Hare International Airport will serve Cyril E. King International Airport on Saturdays, beginning today through April 4, 2020. Flights from Dallas-Fort Worth will also begin today and will operate year-round on Saturdays.

Utilizing Airbus 319 equipment with a 128-seat capacity, American Airlines #1109 departs Chicago at 9:20 a.m., arriving on St. Thomas at 3:59 p.m. The return service AA #1109 departs St. Thomas at 5 p.m., landing in Chicago at 8:34 p.m.



The Dallas -Fort Worth service, on Boeing 757 aircraft with 176 seats, departs Dallas-Fort Worth on AA #1237 at 8:55 a.m., landing on St. Thomas at 3:40 p.m. AA #1251 departs St. Thomas at 1:51 p.m., arriving in Dallas-Fort Worth at 5:32 p.m.

"American Airlines is pleased to provide nonstop service to the beautiful island of St. Thomas from these important hubs," said Alfredo Gonzalez, American's Managing Director, Caribbean. "We would like to thank the U.S. Virgin Islands Department of Tourism, the Virgin Islands Port Authority, and other agencies for working seamlessly with us to make these flights possible."

"We are delighted to inaugurate these flights which open up and enhance the very important Chicago and Texas markets," said Joseph Boschulte, Commissioner of Tourism, U.S. Virgin Islands Department of Tourism. "We are very happy with the deepening of our partnership with American Airlines and look forward to working with their team to bolster airlift to our Territory this winter and beyond."

This winter, American Airlines also increases capacity to St. Thomas with the addition of a third daily flight between Miami and St. Thomas.

The third daily flight, which began earlier this week, operates as a "same day turn", departing

Miami International Airport at 8:35 a.m. and arriving at Cyril E. King International Airport at 12:14 p.m. The return service departs St. Thomas at 1:0 6 p.m. the same day it arrives, landing in Miami at 3:1 1 p.m.

American will also extend Charlotte-St. Croix flights during the holiday period, and will serve the island with thrice weekly flights from Miami over the summer.

# About the U.S. Virgin Islands

For more information about the United States Virgin Islands, go to <u>VisitUSVI.com</u>, follow us on Instagram (@visitusvi) and become a fan on Facebook (<u>www.facebook.com/VisitUSVI</u>). When traveling to the U.S. Virgin Islands, U.S. citizens enjoy all the conveniences of domestic travel - including on-line check-in - making travel to the U.S. Virgin Islands easier than ever. As a United States Territory, travel to the U.S. Virgin Islands does not require a passport from U.S. citizens arriving from Puerto Rico or the U.S. mainland. Entry requirements for non-U.S. citizens are the same as for entering the United States from any foreign destination. Upon departure, a passport is required for all but U.S. citizens.

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