

Press Release

Ethiopian Takes Delivery of its Second Airbus A350 XWB

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Ethiopian Airlines, the fastest growing and the largest African airline, has taken another leap forward by receiving its second Airbus A350 XWB, which arrived at Addis Ababa Bole International Airport on Tuesday, August 16, 2016.



Since June 30, 2016, Africa's First Ethiopian A350 dubbed "Simien Mountains", has been flying to various African destinations, the Middle East, and recently to London, adding a new level of comfort to its valued customers.

Passengers can now enjoy the ultimate travel experience on-board the Ethiopian second A350 XWB; amazing cabin interior features with the latest high-definition touchscreen personal monitors with a higher selection of movies, television series and audio channels. They will also enjoy the wider seats and wide windows, the lowest twin engine noise level, advanced air conditioning technology and full LED mood lighting, which enhance comfort and reduce jet-lag after a long flight.

Ethiopian has 12 remaining orders of the A350, which are expected to be delivered within this fiscal year. The latest addition of A350, increases Ethiopian fleet to 80.



About Ethiopian

Ethiopian Airlines (Ethiopian) is the fastest growing Airline in Africa. In its seven decades of operation, Ethiopian has become one of the continent's leading carriers, unrivalled in efficiency and operational success.

Ethiopian commands the lion's share of the pan-African passenger and cargo network operating the youngest and most modern fleet to 93 international destinations across five continents. Ethiopian fleet includes ultra-modern and environmentally friendly aircraft such as Airbus A350, Boeing 787, Boeing 777-300ER, Boeing 777-200LR, Boeing 777-200 Freighter, Bombardier Q-400 double cabin with an average fleet age of five years. In fact, Ethiopian is the first airline in Africa to own and operate these aircraft.

Ethiopian is currently implementing a 15-year strategic plan called Vision 2025 that will see it become the leading aviation group in Africa with seven business centers: Ethiopian Domestic and Regional Airline; Ethiopian International Passenger Airline; Ethiopian Cargo; Ethiopian MRO; Ethiopian Aviation Academy; Ethiopian In-flight Catering Services; and Ethiopian Ground Service. Ethiopian is a multi-award winning airline registering an average growth of 25% in the past seven years.

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