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British Airways to Increase Flights to London from San Diego International Airport

*Double-daily service begins in April 2024,
with the additional flights available for sale starting today*

SAN DIEGO – September 19, 2023 – British Airways announced today it will increase its nonstop service with a second daily flight between San Diego International Airport (SAN) and London Heathrow Airport (LHR) effective April 20, 2024.

Of the top 30 U.S.-Europe passenger markets, San Diego has had the strongest recovery from the pandemic. The number of San Diego–Europe passengers is now 12 percent higher than in 2019. San Diego-London passengers have risen dramatically – now over 28 percent higher than 2019 levels. The additional flights to London will begin to address the increased demand to and from our region.

British Airways has served SAN-LHR daily since June 2011 with one nonstop flight per day. The current flights (BA273 and BA272) will be retimed arriving in San Diego from London at 6:10 PM and departing San Diego for London at 8:00 PM. The new second flight (BA265 and BA264) will arrive in San Diego at 3:25 PM and depart for London at 5:15 PM. BA 264/BA265 will operate on 272-seat Boeing 777-200 aircraft and BA272/BA273 will operate on 214-seat Boeing 787-8 aircraft. With the additional flight, summer 2024 seat inventory to London will increase 47% from summer 2023 levels.

“The expansion of British Airways flights between London Heathrow Airport and San Diego International Airport opens up a world of possibilities,” said Kimberly Becker, San Diego County Regional Airport Authority President and CEO. “Leisure and business travelers from San Diego will have added opportunities to explore London and beyond, while giving travelers from the rest of the world increased access to San Diego’s beautiful beaches and year-round sunny climate.”

London Heathrow, the second busiest airport in the world, serves as the main hub for British Airways as it services destinations in Europe, North America, Latin America & Caribbean, Middle East & Asia, Africa & Indian Ocean, the Far East & Australia.

“We are delighted to be launching a second daily flight from San Diego, further supporting the growth of business and leisure travel in the city and demonstrating our commitment to the region,” said Neil Chernoff, British Airways’ Director of Networks and Alliances. “This new frequency will offer more options and convenience for our customers and is a welcome addition to our California schedule.”

London is a bustling metropolis situated along the majestic River Thames. A diverse and vibrant city, London boasts a wealth of cultural treasures, historic landmarks, and culinary delights. Visitors can explore world-renowned museums like the British Museum, admire iconic churches such as Westminster Abbey, peruse art collections at the Tate Modern, and unwind in traditional pubs and trendy restaurants. Must-visit historical sites include the Tower of London, where the Crown Jewels are on display, Buckingham Palace, the official residence of the British monarch, and the historic Globe Theatre. London is also famous for its annual events like the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace and the vibrant Notting Hill Carnival, which draws crowds from around the world.

London, along with Munich and Paris, are the most popular European destinations from San Diego. San Diego International Airport and its partner carriers feature nonstop service to 10 international destinations including London, Munich, Tokyo, Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto, Montreal, Cancun, Los Cabos, Puerto Vallarta and Ixtapa/Zihuatanejo.

For more information, visit [BritishAirways.com](https://www.britishairways.com).

ABOUT SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (SAN)

Owned and operated by San Diego County Regional Airport Authority (Airport Authority), San Diego International Airport (SAN) is one of the busiest single-runway commercial service airports in the world and the third-busiest airport in California. SAN contributes nearly \$12 billion in economic activity for the region by connecting the world to San Diego and San Diego to the world. In November 2021, the Airport Authority began construction on the New T1 which includes the replacement of the current Terminal 1, improvements to the airfield, improved transportation connectivity to the airport, and a new administration building. The New T1 program's total project budget is \$3.4 billion and is estimated to create between 15,000 to 20,000 construction-related jobs. For more information about the New T1 please visit [newt1.com](https://www.newt1.com). For more information about SAN please visit [san.org](https://www.san.org).

ABOUT BRITISH AIRWAYS

As the UK's national flag carrier, British Airways serves more than 190 destinations across more than 65 countries, including routes with its partnership airlines. The airline proudly offers customers flights to more destinations from London than any other carrier. British Airways customers have access to one of the world's most extensive flight networks, both domestically and internationally, offering flights to and from central airports at convenient times. It operates out of three major London airports: London Heathrow, London Gatwick and London City, and serves up to 26 cities in the US alone.

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