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San Diego International Airport Welcomes KLM Royal Dutch Airlines with Service to Amsterdam

New Route Begins in May 2025

SAN DIEGO, CA — November 12, 2024– Today, <u>San Diego International Airport</u> (SAN) welcomes KLM Royal Dutch Airlines (KLM) as its seventh international airline to offer service from San Diego. Beginning May 8, 2025, the airline will offer three weekly flights between San Diego and Amsterdam, Netherlands.

"We are very pleased to have KLM join as the 19th carrier at SAN," said Kimberly Becker, CEO and President, San Diego County Regional Airport Authority. "This summer, European travel is up over 30 percent compared to last year. Amsterdam, with its iconic canals and world-class museums and corporate ties to the San Diego region, will be the 10th international destination offered from SAN and we look forward to a continued demand from both business and leisure international travelers."

The new year-round route to Amsterdam will expand nonstop access from SAN to a total of three European cities including London, U.K. and Munich, Germany. From Amsterdam, travelers can easily connect to multiple European cities. Passengers flying on KLM from SAN will now have access to SkyTeam Alliance which allows for more travel options, coordinated schedules, and shared benefits with 19 other international airlines' loyalty programs.

"The launch of KLM's direct service between Amsterdam and San Diego marks an exciting milestone in our North American expansion," said Boaz Hulsman, Vice President of Commercial, North America at Air France-KLM. "This new route opens a gateway to Southern California's dynamic economy while connecting the San Diego community to Amsterdam and beyond. We're excited to offer seamless connectivity to over 160+ destinations, enhancing travel options for both business and leisure travelers. San Diego represents a key market with tremendous potential as we continue to strengthen our trans-Atlantic network."

For more information on KLM and fares, please visit <u>KLM Royal Dutch Airlines - Book flights online - KLM United States</u>. For more information on flights and destinations from SAN, please visit <u>Nonstop Destinations</u>, <u>Direct Flights & International Flights | San Diego International Airport</u>.

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's project budget is \$3.8 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. For more information about SAN please visit san.org.