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Book Today: Southwest Airlines Extends Flight Schedule Through April 24, 2022

-- Seasonal flights return for spring break season, including new and returning international routes, and additional service for Hawaii

-- Southwest shows Austin appreciation with nearly two-dozen additional flights; offers up to 105 departures a day from Austin in March 2022

DALLAS, Sept. 16, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- [Southwest Airlines Co.](#) (NYSE: LUV) today announced it extended its bookable flight schedule through April 24, 2022, giving Customers the ability to plan and book their early 2022 travel at [Southwest.com](#). The airline is expanding its network of service next year between key business and leisure destinations, bringing nearly two-dozen new flights to Austin, offering additional options for Hawaii travelers, and flying new point-to-point routes between the United States, Latin America, and the Caribbean.

Austin's Hometown Carrier Expands

With the population of Texas' capital city continuing to grow, Southwest® is investing more service than ever before in central Texas. Already the largest carrier serving Austin for at least three decades, Southwest plans to increase service on March 10, 2022 by more than 20 flights a day with nonstop service between Austin and nine new and returning destinations, as well as add additional frequencies on routes already served from the capital of Texas. In total, Southwest now will offer nonstop service between Austin and 46 destinations on up to 105 departures a day.

New Destinations

Beginning March 10, 2022, Southwest's schedule includes daily nonstop service between:

Austin and Amarillo, Texas

Austin and Charleston, S.C.

Austin and Columbus, Ohio (will also operate during peak holiday travel periods in 2021)

Austin and Midland/Odessa, Texas (previously flown nonstop in 2009)

Austin and Ontario, Calif.

More Beaches, Please

On March 12, 2022, Southwest plans to start new international service between **Austin** and **Puerto Vallarta, Mexico**, subject to requisite government approvals. The same day, seasonal weekly flights are scheduled to return on Saturdays between:

Austin and Panama City Beach, Fla.

Austin and Sarasota/Bradenton

Austin and Destin/Fort Walton Beach

"We're celebrating a growing Customer base in Central Texas with this major investment designed specifically for Austin's business and leisure travelers," said Dave Harvey, Southwest's Vice President of Southwest Business. "As we continue to strengthen our network in Austin, Customers will see more flights on key routes as well as new destinations across our map, while enjoying Southwest's world-famous Hospitality."

This week also marks a major milestone for Southwest Airlines and the Austin community. The airline first began serving Austin on Sept. 15, 1977.

Winter and Spring Flights between the Mainland and Hawaii

Beginning Feb. 17, 2022, Southwest is prepared to give Customers across the country more options to reach Hawaii, with additional connections made possible by increased service on existing routes, such as:

Phoenix and Honolulu (two daily roundtrips*)

San Diego and Kona (one daily roundtrip)

Sacramento and Kona (one roundtrip on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays)

San Jose, Calif. and Lihue (one daily roundtrip)

San Diego and Maui (two daily roundtrips*)

Sacramento and Maui (daily service with an additional roundtrip on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays)

**initial eastbound service from Hawaii to both Phoenix and San Diego begins Feb. 18, 2022*

New Domestic and International Routes

Building on its foundation as a point-to-point airline, starting Jan. 17, 2022, Southwest's schedule now includes nonstop service between **Albuquerque** and **Burbank**, giving Customers traveling between New Mexico and the San Fernando Valley a quicker journey.

Southwest also is giving Customers new ways to get passport stamps with new and returning international routes. On February 17, 2022, Southwest plans to resume seasonal daily nonstop service between **Fort Lauderdale** and **Punta Cana, Dominican Republic**. On March 12, 2022, the airline plans to start seasonal nonstop service on Saturdays between **Denver** and **Cozumel, Mexico**, subject to requisite government approvals.

These flights, as well as the carrier's full schedule, are now available for purchase at [Southwest.com](https://www.southwest.com).

ABOUT SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO.

In its 51st year of service, Dallas-based [Southwest Airlines Co.](https://www.southwest.com) continues to differentiate itself from other air carriers with exemplary Customer Service delivered by more than 54,000 Employees to a Customer base that topped 130 million Passengers in 2019. Southwest has a robust network of point-to-point service with a strong presence across top leisure and business markets. In peak travel seasons during 2019, Southwest operated more than 4,000 weekday departures among a network of 101 destinations in the United States and 10 additional countries. In 2020, the carrier added service to Hilo, Hawaii; Cozumel, Mexico; Miami; Palm Springs, Calif.; Steamboat Springs; and Montrose (Telluride), Colo. Thus far in 2021, Southwest has initiated service to Chicago (O'Hare) and Sarasota/Bradenton both on Feb. 14; Savannah/Hilton Head and Colorado Springs both on

March 11; Houston (Bush) and Santa Barbara, Calif. both on April 12; Fresno, Calif. on April 25; Destin/Fort Walton Beach on May 6; Myrtle Beach, S.C. on May 23; Bozeman, Mont. on May 27; Jackson, Miss. on June 6; and Eugene, Ore. on Aug. 29; and will begin service to Bellingham, Wash. on Nov. 7; and Syracuse on Nov. 14.

The carrier issued its **Southwest[®] Promise** in May 2020 to highlight new and round-the-clock efforts to support its Customers and Employees well-being and comfort. Among the changes are enhanced cleaning efforts at airports and onboard aircraft, along with a federal mandate requiring every person to wear a mask at all times throughout each flight. Additional details about the Southwest Promise are available at [Southwest.com/Promise](https://www.southwest.com/Promise).

Southwest coined **Transfarency[®]** to describe its purposed philosophy of treating Customers honestly and fairly, and low fares actually staying low. Southwest is the only major U.S. airline to offer bags fly free[®] to everyone (first and second checked pieces of luggage, size and weight limits apply, some carriers offer free checked bags on select routes or in qualified circumstances). Southwest does not charge change fees, though fare differences might apply.

Southwest is one of the most honored airlines in the world, known for a triple bottom line approach that contributes to the carrier's performance and productivity, the importance of its People and the communities they serve, and an overall commitment to efficiency and the planet. Learn more about how the carrier gives back to communities across the world by visiting [Southwest.com/citizenship](https://www.southwest.com/citizenship).

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