



New from Vienna: Volotea Flies to Nantes, Marseille and Genoa

Starting today, April 7, 2017, Volotea will launch flight service from Vienna Airport. The airline will link Vienna with the French cities of Nantes and Marseilles, and will also inaugurate flight service to the Italian seaport of Genoa as of April 8, 2017. The new flight connections were formally opened today within the context of a press briefing by Pierfrancesco Carino, Chief Sales Officer of Volotea, Norbert Kettner, Director of WienTourismus and Nikolaus Gretzmacher, Senior Vice President Operations of Flughafen Wien AG.

“We would like to welcome Volotea, currently the third largest and fastest growing low cost carrier in Europe, to Vienna. This gratifying growth clearly shows that airlines recognise the potential of Vienna as an important hub for leisure-tourism within Europe. With Nantes and Marseille, there now is a total offer of nine destinations and 101 weekly flights to France. The new flight service to Genoa provides particularly convenient travel options to link up with Mediterranean cruises”, says Julian Jäger, Member of the Management Board of Flughafen Wien AG, pleased with the expanded flight offer from Vienna.

“We are very proud of adding the prestigious city of Vienna on our network, connecting the Austrian capital to 3 destinations in Europe. Vienna represents for Volotea a strategic destination in Europe attracting both leisure and business traffic segments especially from Italy and France. We want to establish strong commercial relationships with Austrian passengers as well as travel partners in order to simplify new travel experiences to Nantes, Marseille and Genoa“, has stated Pierfrancesco Carino, Chief Sales Officer of Volotea.

“I would like to warmly welcome Volotea to the city! Volotea sets course for Vienna from two countries, both of which already rank among the top ten nations with respect to the number of overnight stays in Vienna. We counted more than 1.1 million overnight stays from Italian and French guests in 2016. Direct flights serve as a particularly strong driving force for the development of tourism. For this reason, I see considerable potential in the new Volotea flights to help push the number of guests in Vienna from France and Italy to even higher levels”, states Norbert Kettner, Director of WienTourismus in welcoming this new addition to the airlines operating at Vienna Airport.

Seasonal flight connections to Nantes, Marseille and Genoa

The airline offers seasonal flight service to the new routes from April to October, departing from Vienna five times per week. On Thursdays and Sundays Volotea flies to the large French city of Nantes, known for its historical architecture and far-reaching river landscapes. In 2010, it was named one of the five environmental capitals of Europe. Flights will be operated on Mondays and Fridays from Vienna to Marseilles, the oldest city in France, and one of Europe’s most important port cities. On Saturdays, Volotea operates one weekly flight to the seaport of Genoa, which is considered to be one of Italy’s most culturally rich cities thanks to its numerous churches, museums and art galleries and also acts as the starting point for a large number of Mediterranean cruises. The airline operates either a Boeing 717 or an Airbus A319 on these routes.

Volotea serves 79 destinations in Europe

Volotea, the airline of mid and small-sized European cities, offers direct flights at very competitive prices. Volotea will count on 28 aircraft this year: 18 Boeing 717 (with a



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configuration of 125 seats) and 10 Airbus A319
Since its creation in April

2012, Volotea has carried more than ten million passengers across Europe and expects to transport 4.3 million in 2017. In 2017 Volotea will operate 243 routes among 79 medium and small-sized cities in 16 countries: France, Italy, Spain, Germany, Greece, Croatia, The Czech Republic, Israel, Albania, Moldavia, Portugal, Malta, UK, Austria, Ireland and Luxembourg. More Information can be found under www.volotea.com.

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