

Horizon Begins Nonstop Service for Redmond/LAX

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Horizon Air has begun a new twice-daily nonstop service from Redmond/Bend to Los Angeles International Airport. The route is not currently operated by any other airline.

Horizon's Bombardier Q400 The inaugural flight departed Redmond/Bend at 10 a.m. on August 1st, and was operated in Horizon's recently unveiled 25th anniversary Q400 aircraft, which sports a festive livery celebrating the airline's 25 years of service to the Northwest. After Aug. 1, the first flight of the day between Redmond/Bend and Los Angeles will leave at 6 a.m.

"These new nonstop flights will strengthen business ties between Central Oregon and Southern California while making it easier for Californians to explore and enjoy Central Oregon's vast recreational and leisure activities," said Dan Russo, Horizon's director of marketing and communications.

To kick off the new service, Horizon is offering a limited special introductory fare of \$99 one way on its Redmond/Bend to Los Angeles flights taken between Aug. 1 and Nov. 17, 2006. The lowest fares on Horizon Air and its sister company, Alaska Airlines, are available at www.horizonair.com or by calling 1-800-547-9308.

The flight time will be only 2 hours and 35 minutes on Horizon's 74-seat Q400s, which have a top cruising speed of 400 mph. Horizon's complimentary inflight service features a variety of snacks and beverages, including Starbucks coffee and Northwest wines and microbrews.

Horizon Air has served Central Oregon since 1982. Horizon operates the most nonstop flights from Redmond/Bend to Portland and the only nonstop service from Redmond/Bend to Seattle. Horizon Air has served Los Angeles since 1999 and currently offers direct service to Arcata/Eureka, Boise, Eugene, Medford, Redding, Reno, and Sun Valley.

Regularly scheduled daily flights depart at 6 am and 6 pm from Redmond, arriving at 8:35 am and 8:35 pm. Los Angeles flights depart at 9:15 am and 9:15 pm, arriving at Redmond at 11:45 am and 11:45 pm.

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