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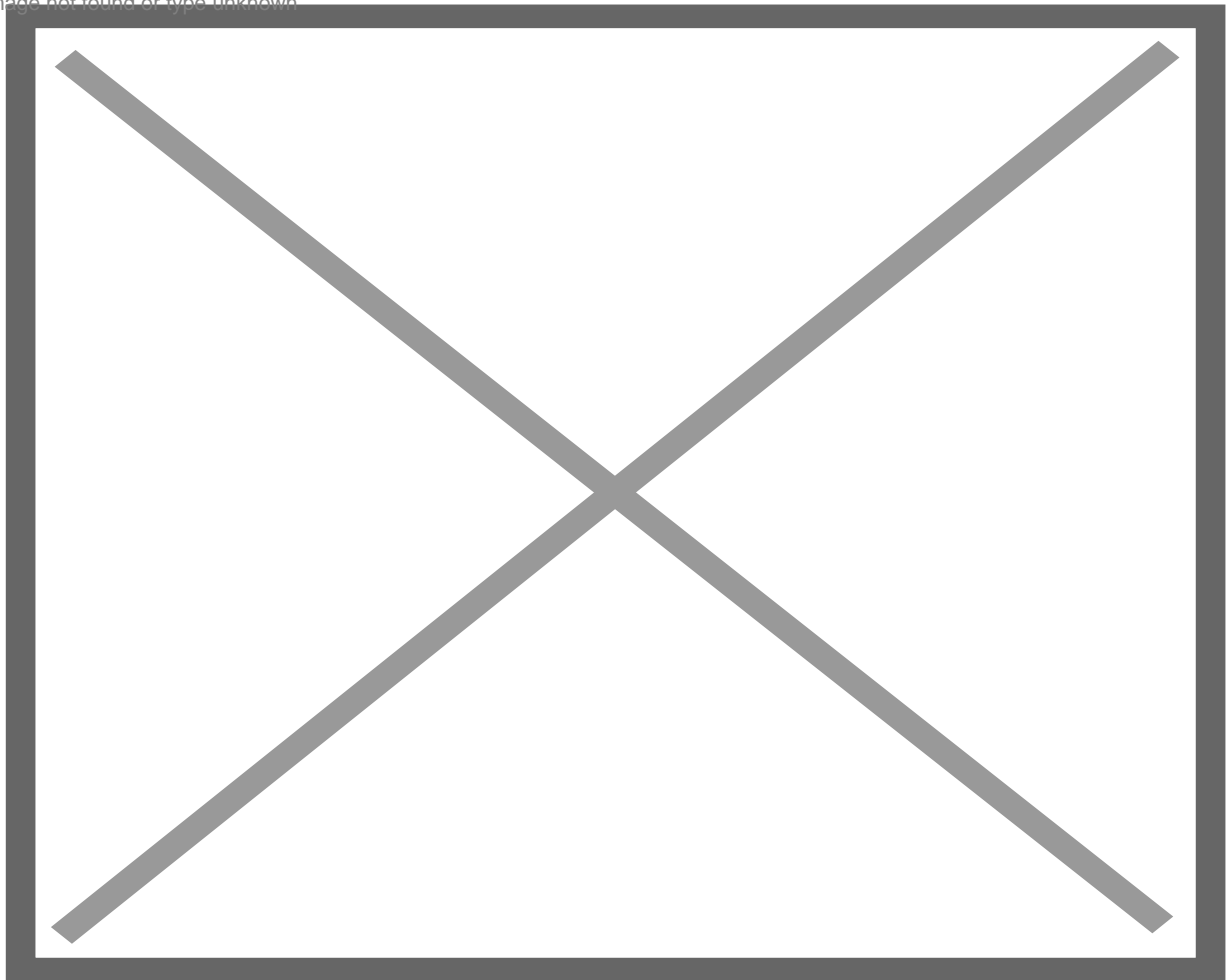
New Saturday Flights Announced from Chicago to St. Croix Beginning December 6, 2025

Starting December 6, 2025, American Airlines begins weekly direct Saturday flights from Chicago O'Hare to St. Croix; daily service from Chicago to St. Thomas also launches on December 18, enhancing visitor access to both islands for winter travel.

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The V.I. Department of Tourism announced on Thursday that American Airlines is expanding direct flights from the Midwest to the St. Croix and St. Thomas ahead of the bustling winter travel season.

Starting December 6, 2025, travelers from the Midwest will have a new direct flight option to St. Croix's Henry E. Rohlsen Airport (STX), departing every Saturday from Chicago O'Hare

International Airport (ORD). This new connection offers visitors convenient access to experience St. Croix.

American Airlines will also boost its existing Saturday-only flight schedule between Chicago O'Hare and Cyril E. King Airport (STT) on St. Thomas. Beginning December 18, 2025, this service will transition to daily flights, providing increased flexibility and convenience for travelers eager to visit St. Thomas.

Commenting on this development, Tourism Commissioner Joseph Boschulte noted, "These expanded routes from one of our key gateway cities reflect the strong and growing demand for travel to the U.S. Virgin Islands." Boschulte further expressed gratitude for American Airlines' ongoing support and investment in the destination, emphasizing that the enhanced flight connectivity would significantly benefit the islands' tourism-dependent economy and numerous associated businesses.

For further details regarding travel to the U.S. Virgin Islands, interested individuals can visit the official tourism website at www.visitusvi.com or explore more about the islands' diverse offerings at <https://www.visitusvi.com/>.

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