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Contour Airlines Launches First Nonstop Jet Service Linking Dominica With San Juan and St. Thomas

Contour Airlines will begin nonstop service in September, linking Dominica with San Juan and St. Thomas. Officials from Dominica, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands hailed the launch as a milestone for tourism, trade, and regional connectivity.

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SMYRNA, TN — Contour Airlines has officially entered the Caribbean market, launching nonstop jet service from San Juan, Puerto Rico, and St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, to Dominica's Douglas-Charles Airport. The announcement, made August 27, marks a historic milestone for both the airline and the region, expanding air travel options for residents, returning nationals, and visitors.

The new routes will be operated on Contour's 30-seat regional jet aircraft, equipped with leather seating, extra legroom, complimentary snacks, and inflight service. Flights are set to begin in late September, establishing the only nonstop jet service connecting Dominica with both Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

"We're thrilled to bring Contour's brand of reliable, comfortable jet service to the Caribbean," said Ben Munson, President of Contour Airlines. "Launching service in Dominica is an exciting step for us, and we look forward to making it easier for Dominicans to travel and for visitors to discover Dominica, the Nature Island."

Dominica's Prime Minister, Hon. Roosevelt Skerrit, welcomed the launch as a long-awaited achievement. "When I visited St. Thomas, I heard firsthand the desire for a direct connection to Dominica," he said. "With the launch of Contour Airlines' inaugural service, that vision has become reality. This new link strengthens ties between our islands and opens new doors for tourism, trade, and investment. It is a meaningful step toward greater regional connectivity, and I am proud that Dominica can be at the center of this progress."

Hon. Denise Charles-Pemberton, Dominica's Minister responsible for Tourism, Ports and International Transportation, echoed the significance. "We welcome Contour Airlines' new services from St. Thomas and San Juan to Dominica. This development strengthens connectivity within the region and improves access for visitors, returning nationals and business travelers. We look forward to working with Contour Airlines as part of our ongoing efforts to support sustainable tourism growth and showcase Dominica's natural and cultural offerings."

Contour's new routes will begin service between San Juan and Dominica on September 25, and between St. Thomas and Dominica on September 24.

- Dominica – San Juan: Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays & Sundays, 9:00 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.
- San Juan – Dominica: Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays & Sundays, 4:15 p.m. – 5:40 p.m.
- Dominica – St. Thomas: Mondays, Wednesdays & Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
- St. Thomas – Dominica: Mondays, Wednesdays & Saturdays, 3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

These flights, officials note, will provide passengers with direct access from Dominica to Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands while also enabling global connections through San Juan's Luis Muñoz Marín International Airport.

Virgin Islands Port Authority Executive Director Carlton Dowe hailed the new link between St. Thomas and Dominica. "The U.S. Virgin Islands is thrilled to welcome Dominica as a new direct destination. This added service enhances convenience and flexibility for both residents and visitors, while also strengthening regional connectivity. With improved access, we anticipate increased opportunities for tourism, deeper cultural exchange, and a positive boost to our economy."

Puerto Rico Tourism Company Executive Director Willianette Robles Cancel said the launch is an important step in restoring capacity for intra-Caribbean travel. "We are delighted to welcome

Contour Airlines to Puerto Rico with the launch of its new nonstop service between San Juan and Dominica. This represents an important step in recovering intra-Caribbean capacity and reaffirms our government's commitment to restoring connectivity via the San Juan hub. We look forward to the positive impact this new service will have on tourism, commerce, and the cultural ties that unite our islands.”

Contour Airlines is headquartered in Smyrna, Tennessee, and operates a fleet of regional jets with expanded legroom, leather seating, and complimentary snack and beverage service on all flights. Tickets are available at contourairlines.com, through its call center at (888) 332-6686, and via local and online travel agencies. Contour also partners with Alaska, American, and United Airlines for interline connections.

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