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Air Mauritius adds capacity to Shanghai

Current flight will operate non-stop from end of March 2012

Air Mauritius is increasing its capacity to Shanghai by over 100% (from 14,300 seats to 31,200 seats annually) as from 26th of March 2012.

The current weekly Airbus A330 flight to Shanghai will no longer stopover in Kuala Lumpur and will be operated by the larger Airbus A340 aircraft according to the following schedules (All times local and subject to slot clearances and approval from authorities) :

Departure Mauritius	Monday	23h00
Arrival Shanghai	Tuesday	14h25
Departure Shanghai	Tuesday	21h25
Arrival Mauritius	Wednesday	04h45

The airline will maintain its three weekly operations to Hong Kong and two weekly operations to Kuala Lumpur / Singapore hence offering the Chinese market 6 weekly options to Mauritius.

André Viljoen, Acting CEO stated: “We are obviously delighted to be progressing with our plans for China as announced earlier in the year. For the past two years we have been rebalancing growth to the emerging economies and Asia in line with Government’s strategy. Our direct operations has given a new boost to the marketing of Mauritius and the region in China and the objective of 10,000 Chinese tourists set for this year will be largely exceeded to reach around 14,000.

He also added “Our decision to fly non-stop will allow us to provide more capacity on the route and improve the product. We will also provide connections to Reunion, Madagascar and South Africa. We now look forward to a renewed engagement of our tourism partners and promotion agencies so that we all tap on the great potential of China.”

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Air Mauritius is the national carrier of the Republic of Mauritius. Founded in 1967, it currently operates a fleet of four A340-300, two A340-300E, two A330-200, two A319-100 and two ATR72-500. Air Mauritius presently serves twenty-six destinations in Europe, Asia, Australia, Africa and the Indian Ocean