

THE GLOBE

INDUSTRY NEWS

Travel News

Qantas has confirmed it will begin non-stop flights from Australia to Chicago following Government approval for a joint venture with American Airlines. The new trans-Pacific route will run between Brisbane and Chicago on one of Qantas' new Boeing 787 Dreamliner aircraft. Chicago is an attractive destination in its own right as well as a gateway to the mid-west. American Airlines has over 500 departures from Chicago daily, including a service to New York flights running every half-hour on weekdays. The service is expected to launch by April 2020.

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Virgin Australia is reducing the baggage allowance for its Velocity frequent flyer members on flights to Los Angeles.

From June 11 2019, Velocity members holding Silver, Gold or Platinum status and booked into premium economy to Los Angeles flights will see their checked luggage allowance cut from three 32kg bags to three bags of 23kg each.

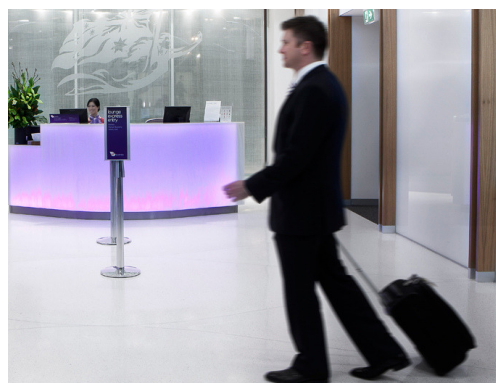
There is currently no change to checked baggage limits in business class.

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Perth Airport is hoping that the days of passengers removing laptops and toiletries from their bags at security are numbered. It is trialling a new CT x-ray machine and body scanner at its domestic Terminal 1, with plans to install the new equipment across all terminals soon after.

The Rapiscan 920CT x-ray machine uses 3D scanning technology to detect suspicious items in bags and does not require laptops and items such as aerosols to be removed.

Meanwhile the new body scanner will look for all foreign matter on the passenger, metal and non-metal, and pinpoint it to an outline of the person's body illustrated in the form of an avatar.

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COMO MAALIFUSHI - Mid-Year Special

COMO Maalifushi is the only resort to open in the Maldives' Thaa Atoll, nestled in the archipelago's southern reaches. With overwater villas and beach suites, COMO Maalifushi is therefore the ultimate away-from-it-all destination for families, couples, surfers and divers. The resort provides numerous opportunities to explore the region, and luxurious accommodation designed with relaxation front of mind. COMO Maalifushi is also home to three restaurants and the award-winning COMO Shambhala Retreat.

Special Offer:

- 20% discount on room types including; Beach Villa, Two Bedroom Beach Suite, Two Bedroom Beach House, Two Bedroom Beach Villa, Maalifushi Beach Villa, COMO Residence, Water Villa, Maalifushi Water Villa, COMO Villa
 - Complimentary Family Castaway Picnic for up to four guests per room with a minimum stay of four nights for Maalifushi Beach Villa, Maalifushi Water Villa, COMO Villa and COMO Residence room types only
- Contact the Globetrotter Lifestyle team on 1800 106 615 or lifestyle@globetrotter.com.au to learn more. *Subject to availability.



Airocheck Accreditation



Globetrotter is pleased to announce we have received Fairfare accreditation for a second year from airfare audit specialist Airocheck, an independent service who reviews and analyses fare-pricing practices by Travel Management Companies.

A detailed and thorough auditing process has shown our continued commitment to transparent airfare pricing, demonstrating that Globetrotter does not apply hidden mark-ups to airfares.

We always work under a fully transparent fee structure. Our focus at Globetrotter is to reduce travel program costs for our clients, without compromising on great customer service or traveller safety.



Introducing Kim Chatto

We recently welcomed Kim Chatto to the Globetrotter CRM team. Kim will be based in Sydney and joins us with over 20 years travel industry experience, predominately in Corporate travel.

Kim has held various roles throughout her extensive career including Events, Retail, Corporate, Online Travel Technology and Strategic Account Management.

Kim's background in managing corporate accounts from varying business sectors has provided a proven track record for building successful long-term partnerships with her clients. She prides herself always being open to growth through learning and change.

We are delighted to welcome her into our growing team.

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