**flydubai adds second destination in Kyrgyzstan with the launch of flights to Osh**

* The Dubai-based airline becomes the first UAE national carrier to operate direct flights to Osh with a twice-weekly service from 03 November 2022

**Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 19 October 2022:** flydubai, the Dubai-based airline, announced today the launch of flights to Osh in Kyrgyzstan from 03 November with a twice-weekly service, becoming the first UAE carrier to operate direct flights from Dubai. The addition of flights to Osh makes it the second point in Kyrgyzstan including the capital, Bishkek.

With the launch of operations to Osh, flydubai expands its network in Central Asia to eight points, providing passengers from the UAE with more options for travel to the region. This includes Almaty and Astana in Kazakhstan, Bishkek and Osh in Kyrgyzstan, Dushanbe in Tajikistan as well as Namangan, Samarkand and Tashkent in Uzbekistan.

Ghaith Al Ghaith, Chief Executive Officer at flydubai, said: “Central Asia continues to be a fast-growing market and we are excited to see our network grow in Kyrgyzstan with the start of operations to Osh, a cultural melting pot with one of the most important and oldest bazaars in the region. flydubai is committed to enhancing connectivity between different cultures and with a combined frequency of nine weekly flights to the market, we are confident that our new service will reinforce trade and tourism relations between the UAE and Kyrgyzstan.”

Osh is the second-largest city in Kyrgyzstan after Bishkek and has a history spanning more than 3,000 years. The city is located in the Fergana Valley, a densely populated agricultural region which is home to more than 13 million people and is shared with neighbouring countries including Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan.

Commenting on the launch of flights, Jeyhun Efendi, Senior Vice President, Commercial Operations and E-commerce at flydubai, said: “We have seen sustainable demand from the market since we first started operations to Bishkek in 2012 with a twice-weekly service. Today that service has increased to a daily frequency and up to a double-daily during the summer. Our flights to Osh will be a welcomed addition for passengers who now have an easier option to travel to Dubai from an additional point in Kyrgyzstan and enjoy our reliable and enhanced services on board our young fleet of Boeing 737 aircraft.”

**Flight details**

Flights will operate from Terminal 2, Dubai International (DXB) to Osh International Airport (OSS) twice a week on Mondays and Thursdays. Flights will operate from Osh International Airport (OSS) to Terminal 2, Dubai International (DXB) twice a week on Tuesdays and Fridays. Emirates will codeshare on this route offering passengers more options for connections through Dubai’s international aviation hub.

Return Business Class fares from DXB to OSS start from AED 7,500 and Economy Class Lite fares start from AED 1,650. Return Business Class fares from OSS to DXB start from USD 2,700 and Economy Class Lite fares start from USD 440.

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| **Flight Number** | **Departure Airport** | **Arrival Airport** | **Departure Time** | **Arrival Time** |
| FZ 775 | DXB | OSS | 19:55 | 01:45 |
| FZ 776 | OSS | DXB | 03:15 | 05:35 |

Flights are available to book on flydubai.com, the official flydubai App, the Contact Centre in Dubai on (+971) 600 54 44 45, the flydubai travel shops or through our travel partners.

For the full timetable and fares, please visit: <https://www.flydubai.com/en/plan/timetable>

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From its home in Dubai, flydubai has created a network of more than 100 destinations served by a fleet of 68 aircraft. Since commencing operations in June 2009, flydubai has been committed to removing barriers to travel, creating free flows of trade and tourism and enhancing connectivity between different cultures across its ever-expanding network.

flydubai has marked its journey with a number of milestones:

**An expanding network:** Created a network of more than 100 destinations in 50 countries across Africa, Central Asia, the Caucasus, Central and South-East Europe, the GCC and the Middle East, and the Indian Subcontinent.

**Serving underserved markets:** Opened more than 70 new routes that did not previously have direct air links to Dubai or were not served by a UAE national carrier from Dubai.

**An efficient single fleet-type:** Operates a single fleet-type of 68 Boeing 737 aircraft and includes: 32 Next-Generation Boeing 737-800, 33 Boeing 737 MAX 8 and 3 Boeing 737 MAX 9 aircraft.

**Enhancing connectivity:** Carried more than 80 million passengers since it began operations in 2009.

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