

### **ETIHAD AIRWAYS AND AIR SEYCHELLES ENHANCE CONNECTIVITY WITH NEW ABUDHABI-SEYCHELLES SCHEDULE**

Etihad Airways and Air Seychelles today announced changes to their flight schedules on the Abu Dhabi-Seychelles route, offering their guests more choice and greater flexibility when travelling to and from Mahé in the Republic of Seychelles.

Effective 1 December 2014, the new schedule will see Etihad Airways add one service per week and Air Seychelles a further two services per week, bringing the combined number of weekly return flights to Seychelles from 10 to 13.

The new schedule will provide an additional 217 weekly connections to key destinations across the Gulf region, Middle East, Indian Subcontinent, North Asia, and Australia, including Beijing, Shanghai, Tokyo and Seoul. Excellent connectivity will be maintained to and from Europe via Etihad Airways' hub in Abu Dhabi.

Kevin Knight, Etihad Airways' Chief Strategy and Planning Officer, said: "The change in flight schedule comes as part of the airline's efforts to move towards a consistent double daily service between Abu Dhabi and Seychelles in cooperation with our equity partner Air Seychelles.

"The new schedule will greatly benefit business and leisure travellers, ensuring they have more convenient travel options when flying between the UAE and Seychelles, and better onward flight connections on our global network."

Etihad Airways commenced services between Abu Dhabi and Mahé in the Seychelles in November 2011, while Air Seychelles began operations in March 2012. The airlines operate a combination of two-class Airbus A330 (18 Business Class and 236 Economy Class) and A320 (16 Business Class and 120 Economy Class) aircraft on the route.

**New schedule for flights from Abu Dhabi to Seychelles, effective 1 December 2014:**

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Airline	Origin	Departs	Destination	Arrives	Frequency	Aircraft
Etihad Airways	Abu Dhabi (AUH)	08:25	Mahé (SEZ)	13:00	Mon, Wed, Fri and Sat	A320
Air Seychelles	Abu Dhabi (AUH)	02:00	Mahé (SEZ)	06:35	Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri, Sat and Sun	A320/330
Air Seychelles	Abu Dhabi (AUH)	09:05	Mahé (SEZ)	13:40	Tue, Thu and Sun	A330

## New schedule for flights from Seychelles to Abu Dhabi, effective 1 December 2014:

Airline	Origin	Departs	Destination	Arrives	Frequency	Aircraft
Etihad Airways	Mahé (SEZ)	14:40	Abu Dhabi (AUH)	19:10	Mon, Wed, Fri and Sat	A320
Air Seychelles	Mahé (SEZ)	15:40	Abu Dhabi (AUH)	20:10	Tue, Thu and Sun	A330
Air Seychelles	Mahé (SEZ)	20:10	Abu Dhabi (AUH)	00:40	Mon, Wed, Sat and Sun	A320/330
Air Seychelles	Mahé (SEZ)	20:35	Abu Dhabi (AUH)	01:05	Tue and Fri	A330

Note: All departures and arrivals are listed in local time.

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## About Etihad Airways

Etihad Airways began operations in 2003, and in 2013 carried 11.5 million passengers. From its Abu Dhabi base Etihad Airways flies to 111 existing or announced passenger and cargo destinations in the Middle East, Africa, Europe, Asia, Australia and the Americas. The airline has a fleet of 105 Airbus and Boeing aircraft, and more than 200 aircraft on firm order, including 71 Boeing 787s, 25 Boeing 777-X, 62 Airbus A350s and 10 Airbus A380s. Etihad Airways holds equity investments in airberlin, Air Seychelles, Virgin Australia, Aer Lingus, Air

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Serbia and Jet Airways, and is in the process of formalising equity investments in Alitalia and Swiss-based Etihad Regional\*. For more information, please visit: [www.etihad.com](http://www.etihad.com).

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