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## Norwegian more than quadruples its current long-haul fleet with a new order of 19 787-9 Dreamliners

Norwegian Air, [the world's best low-cost long-haul airline](#), continues to expand its international operations by signing an agreement to purchase 19 new Boeing 787-9 Dreamliners, more than quadrupling its current long-haul fleet to 38 aircraft within the next five years. The agreement is the largest single order of 787-9s in Europe and includes purchase options for an additional ten aircraft of the same type. The new order will enable the company to launch even more long-haul routes and expand its existing network in the coming years.

Norwegian currently operates eight 787-8 Dreamliners and has 11 of the bigger 787-9 on order. With today's order, Norwegian's long-haul fleet will consist of 38 Dreamliners by 2020. The first deliveries from the new order will commence in 2017. The 787-9 complements and extends the 787 family. With a longer fuselage, the 787-9 will fly 53 more passengers than the 787-8. Norwegian's asset company, Arctic Aviation Assets Limited (AAA), will own the aircraft.

"This order of 19 new Dreamliners is a major milestone and enables Norwegian to offer a wide range of new routes to travellers worldwide. After two years of operating low-cost long-haul flights, our load factors have averaged in the nineties, which proves the demand for affordable flights between Europe and the US and Europe and Asia. Future growth and competitiveness in the long-haul market depends on the fuel-efficient, state-of-the art 787 Dreamliner. Not least, the Dreamliner offers the best passenger experience," said Bjørn Kjos, Norwegian's CEO.

"Norwegian has led the way in utilizing the exceptional performance of the 787 to develop a successful low-cost long-haul operation," said Todd Nelp, Vice President of European Sales, Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "The addition of 787-9s to the Norwegian fleet will enable it to grow its route structure, while providing more range and capacity with outstanding passenger comfort".

Norwegian's version of the 787-9 has 344 seats whereof 35 in premium and 309 in economy. With today's order for 19 787-9s, Norwegian has more than 150 unfilled orders from Boeing, including 100 737 MAXs. In addition, the company has 100 Airbus A320neos on order.

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Founded in 1993 and headquartered in Oslo, Norway, award-winning Norwegian Air Shuttle is the third largest low-cost carrier in Europe and the world's seventh largest. Norwegian offers more nonstop European destinations from the United States than any other European airline with seamless connections across the continent. Norwegian offers 25 nonstop routes from the U.S. to London and Scandinavia, as well as six routes from the U.S. to the Caribbean. Onboard features include more legroom than most competitors and free in-flight Wi-Fi on short-haul routes. The airline carried 24 million passengers last year on the world's most modern and eco-friendly fleet to its network that stretches across Europe into North Africa and the

Middle East, as well as long-haul flights to the U.S. and Southeast Asia – more than 440 routes to 132 destinations. Over 5,500 people in Scandinavia, Europe, Asia, and the U.S. work for Norwegian. Follow [@Fly\\_Norwegian](#) on Twitter, join the discussion on [Facebook](#) and keep up with our adventures on [Instagram](#). For more information on Norwegian and its network, visit [norwegian.com](#).

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