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Norwegian Plans to Fly Airbus, Orders 30 New Airbus 321LR

Norwegian's subsidiary, Arctic Aviation Assets Ltd (AAA), has placed a new order of 30 Airbus 321LongRange aircraft. Norwegian will operate the A321LR once the aircraft enters service in 2019. The aircraft has a size and range that makes it suitable for many more long-haul destinations in the future.

In 2012, Norwegian signed an order for 100 A320neo aircraft with Airbus, as well as a large order with Boeing. Now, the airline's asset company AAA has converted the order from 30 A320neo aircraft to 30 A321LR aircraft, which is an even bigger aircraft type. Norwegian will operate the new aircraft type. Eight of the aircraft are scheduled to be delivered in 2019, and the remaining 22 the following two years.

The new aircraft type has a longer range than the A320neo, is even more fuel efficient and has a single aisle cabin, seating approximately 220 passengers. The A321LR is suitable for many more routes, i.e. between the U.S. East Coast and Europe, between Scandinavia and parts of Asia, as well as South America and Europe.

"I am very pleased with this new Airbus order. The new medium-range aircraft available from 2019 fits really well with our global expansion plans and future long-haul network, both in terms of size, range and fuel efficiency. Airbus 321LR is the newest narrow body long-haul aircraft on the market and with this order we will have a significant cost advantage and increased competitiveness, which means that we can offer our customers low prices on board brand new aircraft to a wide range of new destinations," said Norwegian CEO Bjørn Kjos.

"We are very pleased that Norwegian has selected the A321LR, the longest range of any single aisle airliner in the world. We are delighted that Norwegian will be the first low-cost transatlantic operator with the A321LR.

“The A321LR sets new industry standards for eco-efficiency in terms of fuel saving and passenger appeal” said John Leahy, COO Customers.

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About Norwegian

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 sixth largest. Norwegian offers more nonstop European destinations from the United States than any other European airline with seamless connections across the continent. Norwegian offers 40 nonstop routes from the U.S. to London, Paris 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 26 million passengers in 2015 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 – a total of more than 440 routes to over 130 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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