



# 19TH AIRBUS A220-300 OF AIRBALTIC

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Latvian airline *airBaltic* on May 25, 2019 in Riga welcomed its 19th *Airbus A220-300* jet, registered as YL-AAS. This was the fifth *Airbus A220-300* received this year and three more new aircraft will join the airline's fleet by the end of the year.

Thus far, *airBaltic* has carried over 2 600 000 passengers on the *Airbus A220-300* aircraft with every second *airBaltic* passenger flying on the aircraft. *Airbus A220-300*'s have completed more than 27 000 flights and flown over 69 000 block hours.

Since the launch operations on December 14, 2016, *airBaltic Airbus A220-300*'s have been in more than 35 countries and landed in over 70 airports. Due to arrival of new *Airbus A220-300* aircraft, a growing number of destinations are served by it. The latest destinations where *airBaltic* flies its *Airbus A220-300*'s are Menorca and Kos.

The *Airbus A220-300* has performed beyond the company's expectations, delivering better overall performance, fuel efficiency and convenience for both passengers and staff. This aircraft offers an excellent flying experience with such benefits for passengers as wider seats, larger windows, more hand luggage space in the cabin, improved lavatories and much more.

The new aircraft is also considerably quieter – with a four times smaller noise footprint. Moreover, at the moment it is the greenest commercial aircraft in the world, as it is the first aircraft to have a transparent declaration of the life-cycle environmental impact, helping to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> emissions by 20% and 50% respectively.

As informed previously, *airBaltic* will end its *Boeing 737* fleet operations in autumn 2019, one year ahead of the original plan. The airline aims to minimize complexity and benefit from the additional efficiency of the *Airbus A220-300* aircraft which will be the only jet type operated by *airBaltic*.

*airBaltic* serves over 70 destinations from Riga, Tallinn and Vilnius, offering the largest variety of destinations and convenient connections via Riga to its network spanning Europe, Scandinavia, the CIS and the Middle East. In summer season 2019, *airBaltic* has launched new destinations from Riga to Dublin, Stuttgart and Lviv as well as to Kos and Menorca.



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