# DIRECT QATAR AIRWAYS FLIGHTS TO OSAKA FROM 6 APRIL 2020

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**Qatar Airways announced services to Osaka, Japan starting from 6 April 2020. The second largest metropolitan area of Japan, Osaka will be the airline's third gateway into the country. Qatar Airways began direct services to Tokyo Narita in 2010 and launched its Tokyo Haneda service in 2014 from Doha's Hamad International Airport (HIA).**

**The flight will be operated by an Airbus A350-900 aircraft, featuring 36 seats in Business Class and 247 seats in Economy Class. The operation will initially begin with a five times weekly service, increasing to a daily service from 23 June 2020.**

**Qatar Airways Group Chief Executive, His Excellency Mr. Akbar Al Baker, said: "We are truly delighted to be bringing our award-winning service to Osaka, adding this highly sought after Japanese destination to our global network. Osaka is a very important destination, and our service to the cosmopolitan city will enable us to provide a seamless journey for our passengers connecting from our extensive network of more than 160 destinations worldwide."**

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Osaka has been the economic powerhouse of the Kansai Region for many centuries. The Kansai Region is home to many well-known attractions like Arima Onsen - one of the most famous and oldest hot springs and Nara, the former historic capital. Visitors can also admire historical landmarks including UNESCO World Heritage Sites such as Himeji Castle.

Qatar Airways currently operates a modern fleet of more than 250 aircraft via its hub, Hamad International Airport (HIA) to more than 160 destinations worldwide. The airline has recently launched an array of exciting new destinations, namely Rabat, Morocco; Izmir, Turkey; Malta; Davao, Philippines; Lisbon, Portugal; and Mogadishu, Somalia. The airline will add Langkawi, Malaysia and Gaborone, Botswana to its extensive route network in October 2019 and Luanda, Angola in March 2020.

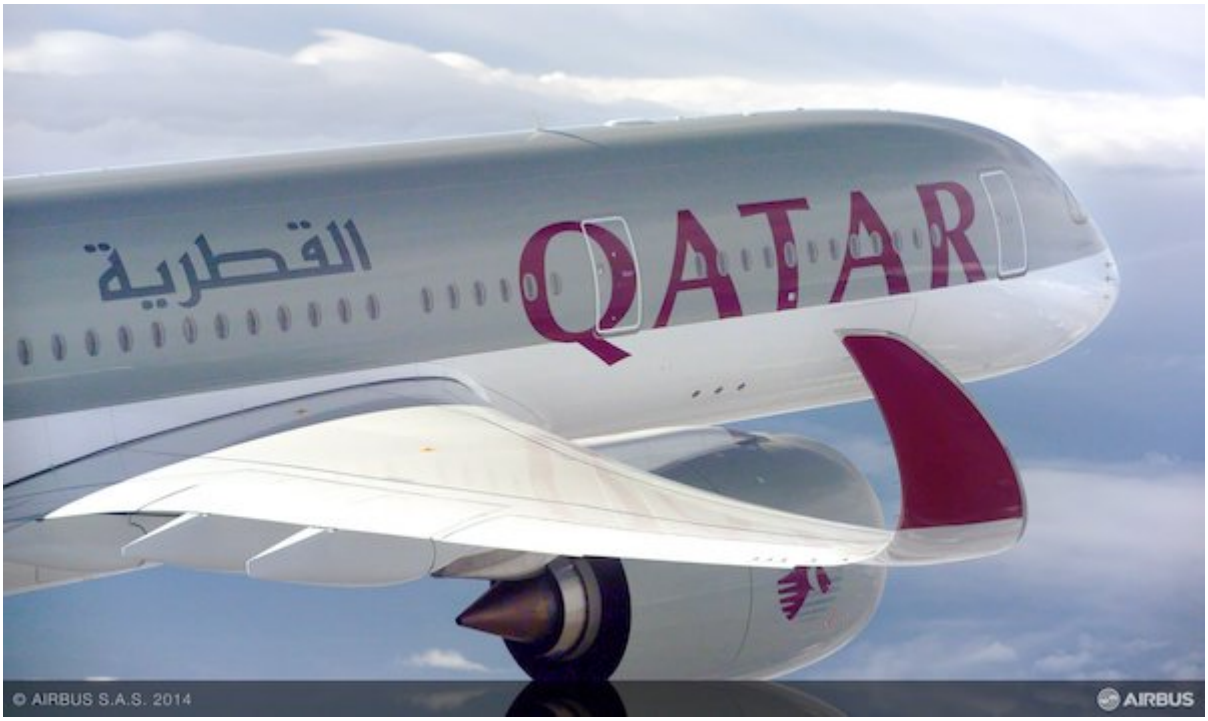
Qatar Airways was named ‘World’s Best Airline’ by the 2019 World Airline Awards, managed by international air transport rating organisation Skytrax. It was also named ‘Best Airline in the Middle East’, ‘World’s Best Business Class’ and ‘Best Business Class Seat’, in recognition of its ground-breaking Business Class experience, Qsuite. Qatar Airways is the only airline to have been awarded the coveted “Skytrax Airline of the Year” title, which is recognised as the pinnacle of excellence in the airline industry, five times.

Flight schedule:

Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday (Tuesday and Thursday added from 23 June 2020)

Doha-Osaka
QR802: Departs DOH 02:10hrs, Arrives KIX 17:50hrs

Osaka-Doha
QR803: Departs KIX 23:30hrs, Arrives DOH 04:50hrs

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