SPIRIT FIT FLEET FLIES FORWARD WITH 200TH DELIVERY FROM AIRBUS

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Spirit Airlines welcomed its 200th new aircraft delivery from Airbus, a landmark delivery for the airline' growing Fit Fleet. The Airbus A320neo (N973NK) was assembled at Airbus U.S.manufacturing facility in Mobile, Alabama, and prepared for service at Spirit's aircraft maintenance facility in Detroit. This delivery is part of continued growth at Spirit. The airline introduced 14 new planes in 2022, with plans to add 26 new aircraft in 2023. Additionally, Spirit has a major first with the upcoming delivery of its first A321neo aircraft. Spirit transitioned to an all-Airbus fleet in 2006, and currently operates one of the most fuel-efficient fleets in the industry with an average age of about seven years. The investments in new A320neo family aircraft with enhanced aerodynamics and the latest-generation jet engines are paying off with significant reductions in fuel burn, less emissions and lower noise levels.

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Spirit Airlines President and CEO Ted Christie, commented: "Our new, fuel-efficient aircraft allow us to deliver on our promise to give our Guests both an affordable and great experience. Spirit's Pilots truly enjoy flying our modern aircraft fleet, and we'd like to thank Airbus for their long-term partnership. I'd also like to recognize all our Spirit Family Members and business partners who prepare our planes for service and keep them in tip-top shape with safety as their top priority."

C. Jeffrey Knittel, President and CEO of Airbus Americas, said: "The 200th aircraft delivery from Airbus to Spirit Airlines is not only a major milestone, but also reflects the trust they have in our products that provide the best passenger experience their customers demand combined with the cost and environmentally efficient operations the airline needs. Spirit has one of the youngest and most fuel-efficient fleets in the U.S. thanks to the benefits offered by our A320 Family of aircraft."

Spirit newest aircraft deliveries feature an upgraded interior with wider seats that are lower in weight and include new, comfortable features that continue to enhance the Guest Experience. The airline's Big Front Seats are even bigger, and they feature more pre-recline, making the best value in the sky even better. Spirit also recently introduced high-speed Wi-Fi on its A320 and A321 sub-fleets.

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