



## WELCOME 70TH GULF AIR ANNIVERSARY EDITION AIRBUS A321NEOLR

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Gulf Air welcomed its new Airbus A321neoLR which landed in the new terminal of Bahrain International Airport at approximately 0640 local time on Friday 5th February 2021. The aircraft is designed with the special 70th anniversary Golden Falcon livery which showcases the airline's iconic and vintage design from the last century with a revamped look. Following its delivery from the Airbus delivery centre in Hamburg, Germany, the aircraft will operate long-haul European routes as well as a selection of GCC destinations. The aircraft is the second of the 17 A321neo aircraft order which includes 8 that are equipped with flat-bed seats. Gulf Air was the first airline in the Middle East to introduce fully flat-beds on this aircraft type.

Commenting on this milestone delivery, H.E. Mr. Zayed R. Alzayani, Chairman of Gulf Air's Board of Directors said: "We are delighted to welcome our newest aircraft, the Airbus A321neoLR into our fleet in its special 70th anniversary Golden Falcon livery. This addition

**will strengthens our position in the medium to long haul markets as it represents an upgraded product to offer best in class service to our passengers. The relationship that we have with Airbus is very strong and we continue to work closely with them to further develop our fleet and products to ensure the highest levels of customer satisfaction”.**

The new aircraft premieres 16 new flat-bed Falcon Gold seats and 150 economy class seats, further solidifying the commitment that Gulf Air has in being the boutique airline of the Middle East. All seats are equipped with latest in-flight entertainment technology and in-seat comfort features that are practical and user-friendly for every passenger. The aircraft boasts the essence of the overall boutique experience with the opportunity to provide more personalized service, cosier cabin and faster process of boarding and disembarking. The new aircraft will also be equipped with wireless internet connection (WiFi) as the airline continues to offer the best in class service to passengers flying on its young fleet. As the airline expands its network to further places and include new destination to its growing network map, it keeps elevating the service level with more appealing products and facilities to make journeys on Gulf Air more comfortable and enjoyable.

Gulf Air’s A321neoLR is powered by CFM LEAP-1A engines and it is the largest and most advanced A320 family aircraft. Featuring the widest single aisle cabin in the market, the A321neoLR is also more eco-friendly than other types of the same size and it delivers up to 20% fuel burn reduction per seat, up to 14% lower cash operating costs per seat and 50% noise reduction.



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