



# FINNAIR EXTENDS MIAMI ROUTE TO SUMMER SEASON, ADDS FREQUENCIES TO CHICAGO FOR SUMMER 2016

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Starting from April 2016, **Finnair** will **extend** its **Miami** service to be year-round, and will operate to Miami with three weekly frequencies in summer 2016.

“We are excited about extending our Miami route to cover the whole season,” says Juha Järvinen, Chief Commercial Officer, Finnair.

“The Miami route has proven to be popular both for our Northern European customers as well as for Miami based customers, for whom we offer excellent connections to Scandinavia via Helsinki. The new schedule will also enable excellent connections from Miami to our Asian destinations. Our oneworld partner, American Airlines, has a large hub in Miami, which enables good connections further to the Caribbean, Central and South America.”

Finnair also adds frequencies to its **Chicago** service, increasing the weekly flights from three in summer 2015 to five in summer 2016. This will further improve connectivity beyond Chicago to

American Airlines' extensive network in the Americas. This five-weekly service connects well also to Finnair's Asian network beyond Helsinki.

Both destinations are served with Finnair Airbus A330 aircraft. The flights to Miami International Airport are operated on Mondays, Thursdays and Sundays, and the flights to Chicago O'Hare are operated from Helsinki on Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Miami, with a population of more than 400,000 in a metropolitan area of more than 5 million, is famous for its beaches and leisure activities, as well as its top-tier entertainment, sporting and cultural attractions. Miami is also a major commercial and financial centre and widely seen as an economic and cultural gateway between North and South America.

Chicago is the largest city in the American Midwest and a global hub for business, leisure and the arts. Famous for its skyline and iconic architecture – Chicago is the birthplace of the skyscraper – the city boasts world-class cultural institutions, professional sports teams, public art, restaurants and shopping. Finnair started a seasonal service to Chicago in summer 2015.

Finnair's Chicago and Miami services are included in the joint business on transatlantic traffic with fellow oneworld alliance partners British Airways, Iberia, American Airlines and American's merger partner US Airways. Miami and Chicago are hubs for American, which allows Finnair's customers quick codeshare connections to destinations throughout the United States, including San Francisco and Los Angeles. The Miami and Chicago timetables connect well with passengers transferring to and from Finnair destinations in Scandinavia, Eastern Europe and the Baltics, including Stockholm, Tallinn, Riga, Vilnius, St Petersburg, Moscow and Warsaw as well as with Finnair's Asian destinations, including Tokyo, Osaka, Nagoya, Seoul, Chongqing, Xi'an, Beijing, Shanghai, Delhi and Bangkok.

In addition to Miami and Chicago, Finnair operates daily to New York JFK and, together with its joint business partners, offers over 120 daily departures over the Atlantic.

The joint business between the cooperating airlines also gives customers the possibility to mix and match flights on different carriers and connecting cities for the best pricing and scheduling.

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