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Improved connections to Spain

This summer, improved flight connections will be offered to Spain from Sweden, Norway and Denmark. The airline Spanair, in cooperation with SAS, is establishing a number of new routes that will facilitate easier travel between Spain and the Scandinavian countries.

On April 10, Spanair begins flights between Stockholm and Madrid on every day of the year, departing from Stockholm at 4.35 p.m. and arriving in Madrid at 8.35 p.m.

During the summer period from June 2 through September 28, Spanair will also fly from Copenhagen to Madrid every day of the week, departing from Copenhagen at 1:45 p.m. and arriving in Madrid at 5:05 p.m.

In addition, Spanair is establishing a route from Oslo to Madrid, with departures every day of the week, except Sundays, from June 9 through September 27.

All flights will be conducted in cooperation with SAS. This means that a EuroBonus member will also receive points on Spanair's flights. Business travelers will have access to business-class lounges in Spain. Through fares will be applied from all SAS destinations in Scandinavia to all Spanair destinations in Spain, and passengers and their baggage will be checked through to their final destinations.

Spanair was formed in 1986 by SAS and the Spanish company Teinver. Charter-company operations began in March 1988. In February 1994, Spanair began regular flight operations, which now represent approximately 75 percent of the company's flights. In 2002, Spanair carried eight million passengers on its fleet of 50 aircraft. The airline has 2,500 employees. Spanair will become a member of the Star Alliance on April 1, 2003.

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