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Jetstar takes off with three new trans Tasman routes

- Introducing every day, low fares between Auckland, Melbourne, Queenstown and Gold Coast

Australia's low fares airline Jetstar this week takes off with three exciting new Australia-New Zealand connections – Melbourne-Auckland (daily), Queenstown-Gold Coast (twice weekly) and Queenstown-Melbourne (twice weekly).

Jetstar's inaugural flight between Melbourne-Auckland takes off today, while flights from Queenstown to Melbourne and the Gold Coast will start from 16 December and 17 December respectively.

The new A320 services represents a boost in Jetstar's low fare trans Tasman flying by almost 20 per cent, with an additional 3,100 seats each week on the large Australia & New Zealand market.

Jetstar Chief Commercial Officer David Koczkar said Jetstar was committed to offering the lowest fares for travel across the Tasman.

"These two new trans Tasman services, together with the launch of direct long haul A330 Melbourne-Singapore daily services later this week, represent the largest single injection of international growth to Melbourne in Jetstar's six years of operation," Mr Koczkar said.

Jetstar's every day one way web fares at Jetstar.com start from A\$169 Melbourne-Auckland and from A\$199 Queenstown-Gold Coast and Melbourne-Queenstown, up to 30 per cent lower than competitors operating on the same or similar routes.

"Jetstar will be the only airline to offer year-round services between Melbourne and Queenstown, a destination famous for its outdoor activities and attractions in both summer and winter," Mr Koczkar said.

"With the introduction of these new services, Jetstar will now offer a total of 49 trans Tasman weekly return flights between Australia and New Zealand, with our value for money fares backed up by the Jetstar Price Beat Guarantee* whereby we will beat our competitors by 10 per cent.

"We are experiencing strong demand for our trans Tasman services and we look forward to stimulating further growth. We will pursue future opportunities to build upon our existing services for the benefit of the tourism industry and broader economies and communities of each country."

Jetstar's trans Tasman network will further expand to a total of 10 routes with first-time international flights to commence between Auckland-Cairns from April 2011.

SCHEDULES

Jetstar's Melbourne-Auckland schedule from 13 December 2010

Auckland-Melbourne

- JQ210 06.20 – 08.15 (Thurs, Sun)
- JQ210 07.20 – 09.15 (Tues, Wed, Sat)
- JQ214 21.00 – 22.55 (Mon, Fri)

Melbourne-Auckland

- JQ213 11.55 – 17.15 (Thurs, Sun)
- JQ211 09.55 – 15.15 (Tues, Wed, Sat)
- JQ215 23.40 – 05.00 (Mon, Fri)

Jetstar's Melbourne-Queenstown schedule from 16 December 2010 – 26 March 2011 (Departs Thursday and Sunday)

- Melbourne-Queenstown - JQ219 08.55 – 14.00
- Queenstown-Melbourne - JQ220 09.50 – 11.15

Jetstar's Gold Coast-Queenstown schedule from 17 December 2010 – 26 March 2011 (Departs Monday and Friday)

- Gold Coast-Queenstown - JQ221 08.45 – 15.15
- Queenstown-Gold Coast - JQ222 09.50 – 10.35

About Jetstar

About Jetstar Group

Jetstar first took to the skies in 2004 and has since flown more than 350 million customers across an extensive international and domestic network. The Jetstar Group is made up of Jetstar Airways (subsidiary of the Qantas Group) in Australia and New Zealand, Jetstar Asia in Singapore, and Jetstar Japan in Japan. A leading low-fares airline, Jetstar is committed to offering everyday low fares to enable more people to fly to more places, more often. As one of Asia Pacific's fastest-growing airline brands, Jetstar was voted Best Low-Cost Airline in Asia Pacific in 2021 and was recognized for its excellent flight safety records and services when listed on the "2022 World's Top 10 LCC" released by Airline Ratings.

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