Mango adds new Lanseria Port Elizabeth flight

Lanseria International Airport has announced a new route to Port Elizabeth in partnership with Mango airlines. Bookings for the first flight commencing on 11 July have already opened.

The introduction of the new PE route comes shortly after the recent successful launch of Mango's only direct Zanzibar-Lanseria flight. "We're excited to welcome this new route to our airport as our passenger numbers and demand for more routes continue growing," says CEO of Lanseria International Airport, Rampa Rammopo.

Marketing manager of Mango Benediction Zubane notes that the PE route was a natural expansion for the airline based on how well the direct Zanzibar-Lanseria route has been received. "Port Elizabeth is a popular local and tourist travel destination, boasting a number of historical attractions. Whale-watching is also a favourite activity this time of year." He adds that the airline has received numerous requests from Lanseria passengers with family in PE for a direct flight to the city given the convenience that Lanseria offers. "The airport's location in the north means it's easily accessible for both business and leisure travellers. It's also the gateway to the Cradle of Humankind and other tourist attractions in the North West and Johannesburg – making it a destination of choice."

Mango's first fight to PE will take off from Lanseria Airport at 08:40 and will be welcomed in the friendly city at 10:20. "Bookings for the flight are now open and the flight is already filling-up fast," says Zubane.

The introduction of the PE route is part of Lanseria Airport's expansion plan – positioning it to become the gateway to Africa. To accommodate this growth, the airport is busy with its new pier extension project which will see additional check-in counters and boarding gates added. A new aircraft parking bay is also in the pipeline, and travellers can look forward to a new multi-storey parking area being unveiled very soon.

"All these changes come at an exciting time for us as a dynamic and growing airport," says Rammopo. "With SA Tourism recently earmarking Lanseria as one of the key entry points for tourists, we're moving that much closer to realising our vision of becoming the continent's airport of choice," he concludes.

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About Lanseria International Airport

Privatized in 1991 the airport is a secondary base for three local carriers and services the general and commercial aviation business. Approximately 2.3 million passengers travel through the airport annually. Lanseria International has established itself as a niche-market boutique airport operating scheduled daily domestic routes between Johannesburg, Cape Town, Durban and as of the 11th of July Port Elizabeth.

The airport is also the chosen international port of entry for overseas corporate and government aircraft visiting South Africa. The airport is conveniently located close to the northern suburbs of Johannesburg and Sandton business district with only 25 minutes of travel in either direction it also provides access to tourism hubs such as The Cradle of humankind, Sun City and the Hartbeespoort.

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