

VIETNAM AIRLINES REWARDED 4-STAR INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE BY SKYTRAX



The Vietnamese national airline, member of the Skyteam alliance since 2010, has just received the prestigious 4-star ranking awarded by Skytrax organization in recognition of its continued efforts in the fleet modernization process and improvement of its products and services.

The award was officially handed over by Vietnam Airlines General Director Duong Thanh Tri, during the awards ceremony "Skytrax World Airline Awards 2016" on July 12 at the Farnborough International Airshow Trade in London, UK

The award of this distinction is based on the results of a survey of travelers worldwide. The award recognizes the ongoing work of Vietnam Airlines on the product and the service offered to its customers.

"The introduction of two new types of aircrafts [Airbus A350 and Boeing 787 Dreamliner] in one year is a difficult task that paid off," said Edward Plaisted, CEO of Skytrax. Indeed, Vietnam Airlines has embarked one year ago in a fleet renovation process. From Paris, the fleet of long-haul aircrafts has been replaced by a new generation Airbus A350-900 XWB aircraft, and from Frankfurt and London the company operates with the latest generation of Boeing aircraft: the 787 Dreamliner.

"I am honored to receive this prestigious award for Vietnam Airlines. This fantastic achievement reflects the hard work of all the dedicated employees of Vietnam Airlines. It marks the significant progress we are making to achieve our goal of becoming one of the best regarded companies in Asia Pacific," said the General Director of Vietnam Airlines.

Beyond efforts to improve its product and service on board, this award also comes to greet the new Business Class Service concept and new cabin crew training methods. All these points strengthen the position of Vietnam Airlines as a 4-stars airline.

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From Paris, Roissy - Charles de Gaulle Terminal 2E (CDG) Vietnam Airlines offers up to 14 direct flights a week, connecting well all year two hubs Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City.

About Vietnam Airlines

Vietnam Airlines, the Vietnamese national flag carrier and **member of the SkyTeam alliance** since 2010, serves 93 routes to **21 domestic and 30 international destinations** with more than 360 daily flights. The airline headquarter is in Hanoi and its network is based around the hubs of Hanoi (HAN) and Ho Chi Minh City (SGN).

From Europe, Vietnam Airlines connects all year long Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City from Paris, Frankfurt and London Heathrow, offering a wide range of direct flights. Furthermore, Vietnam Airlines through agreements with partner airlines and train companies (SNCF and Deutsch Bahn) offers connecting flights to Vietnam from all over Europe.

Since October 2015, Vietnam Airlines fly between Vietnam and France in **Airbus A350**. The Vietnamese flag carrier will offer more comfort on board to its clients, with these new generations of aircraft and a choice of three classes: Business, Premium Economy and Economy. Note: Vietnam Airlines fly between London and Frankfurt to Vietnam in **Boeing 787 Dreamliner**.

Vietnam Airlines is **the specialist of Indochina** and offers a large number of domestic flights in Vietnam and Trans Indochina (Laos, Cambodia and Myanmar) at preferential rate for its passengers when their Indochina flights are booked simultaneously as their Europe/Vietnam's flights. Vietnam Airlines also offer a wide range of connecting flights to Asia and Australia.

About Skyteam

Vietnam Airlines joined the global airline alliance SkyTeam in 2010.

SkyTeam is the global airline alliance with **20** member airlines working together to offer seamless travel on an extensive global network. From top hubs around the world, SkyTeam members provide reliable and comfortable journeys to over 1,050 destinations. SkyTeam customers can unwind in 516 lounges as they travel, earn and redeem Frequent Flyer Miles. SkyTeam Elite Plus customers are eligible for SkyPriority services. The **20** members are: Aeroflot, Aerolíneas Argentinas, Aeroméxico, Air Europa, Air France, Alitalia, China Airlines, China Eastern, China Southern, Czech Airlines, Delta Air Lines, Garuda Indonesia, Kenya Airways, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Korean Air, Middle East Airlines, Saudia, TAROM, Vietnam Airlines and Xiamen Airlines. SkyTeam welcomes 612 million customers each year on more than **16,320** daily flights to **1,052** destinations in **177** countries.