

New Places, New Partner: Southwest Sets Sights on St. Maarten and Begins New Relationship with EVA Air

DALLAS—August 26, 2025—[Southwest Airlines Co.](#) (NYSE: LUV) today extended its flight schedule with more routes to new places offering inspiration to book travel through June 3, 2026. It also introduced a new international partnership with EVA Air that's on sale now and shared a third new destination for 2026, St. Maarten in the Caribbean.

One Island, Two Heartbeats

Southwest® will bring new international service* to Princess Juliana International Airport (SXM) beginning April 7, 2026, adding the island of St. Maarten to the map of tropical destinations it serves across the Caribbean. This is Southwest's first new international destination since 2021. St. Maarten is comprised of two parts, the Netherlands' constituent country of Sint Maarten, alongside the French overseas collectivity of Saint-Martin.

Southwest will fly roundtrip once daily between St. Maarten (SXM) and Orlando (MCO) starting April 7, with an expanded schedule two days later that includes peak-schedule service on Saturdays and Sundays between St. Maarten and Baltimore/Washington (BWI). These nonstop routes allow roundtrip connections with more than 45 airports across the U.S. Check [Southwest.com](#) for available fares and schedules.

*subject to requisite approvals

Southwest + EVA Air

Additionally, Southwest Airlines and EVA Air, a subsidiary of the Evergreen Group, shared initial details of a new partnership that jointly will operate itineraries between North America and Asia

connecting through the carriers' shared gateway airports in Los Angeles (LAX), San Francisco (SFO), Seattle-Tacoma (SEA), and at Chicago (O'Hare).

EVA becomes the third airline partner announced by Southwest. Interline journeys that pair Southwest-operated service over North America with connecting transpacific flights operated by EVA Air are now available for sale through EVA Air booking channels and third-party travel sites.

Rocky Top to the Rockies

In addition to announcing new partners and locations, Southwest also introduced new routes in its schedule aimed at giving Customers time-saving ways to get to where they want to go. Recently, Southwest announced new service at Knoxville, Tennessee, and today published additional nonstop service between Knoxville and Denver, which will operate seasonally on Saturdays and Sundays beginning April 9, 2026.

From Lake Shore to the Gulf Shore

A new seasonal route will link Chicago O'Hare and Panama City, Florida, on Saturdays beginning April 9, 2026.

ABOUT EVA AIR

EVA Air recently was recognized with its tenth consecutive SKYTRAX 5-Star Airlines award and has been deeply rooted in North America for more than 30 years, offering 89 weekly passenger flights on routes linking Taipei with Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Chicago, Houston, New York, Vancouver, and Toronto. EVA Air continues to play a key role in connecting North America with Asia. Beginning October 3rd, the airline will launch flights between Taipei to Dallas/Ft. Worth (DFW) and recently celebrated its tenth year of flying between Houston and Taipei.

ABOUT SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO.

[Southwest Airlines Co.](#) operates one of the world's most admired and awarded airlines, offering its one-of-a-kind value and Hospitality at 121 airports across 12 countries. Southwest took flight in 1971 to democratize the sky through friendly, reliable, and low-cost air travel and now carries more

air travelers flying nonstop within the United States than any other airline(fn. 1). By empowering its more than 73,000(fn. 2) People to deliver unparalleled Hospitality, the maverick airline cherishes a passionate loyalty among more than 134 million Customers carried in 2025. Southwest leverages a unique legacy and mission to serve communities around the world including harnessing the power of its People and Purpose to put communities at the Heart of its success. Learn more by visiting Southwest.com/citizenship.

1. Based on U.S. Dept. of Transportation quarterly Airline Origin & Destination Survey as of Q4 2025
2. Fulltime-equivalent active Employees as of March 31, 2026

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