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# NEWS RELEASE

## **New Daytime, Nonstop Service to New York's JFK on Alaska Airlines from Silicon Valley's Airport**

*-- No. 1 Requested Domestic Market by Silicon Valley Travelers;  
 Daily, Daytime Nonstop Flight Begins July 6, 2018 --*

**San José, Calif.** – [Alaska Airlines](#) today announced plans to begin daily, nonstop service to New York's John F. Kennedy Airport (JFK) from [Mineta San José International Airport](#) (SJC) beginning July 6, 2018. The new service is significant as it marks the first daytime nonstop flight from SJC to JFK, the No. 1 requested domestic market by Silicon Valley travelers. Tickets are on sale now at [www.alaskaair.com](http://www.alaskaair.com).

Silicon Valley business and leisure travelers will love the addition of a direct, daytime flight to New York," said San José Mayor Sam Liccardo. "I thank CEO Brad Tilden and his team at Alaska Airlines for launching this new nonstop service to New York-JFK, and for continuing to invest in destinations that are a high priority for our travelers."

Alaska will operate the daily service using [modern Airbus A320 aircraft](#) as follows:

City Pair	Departs	Arrives
San José – New York/JFK	7:05 a.m.	3:43 p.m.
New York/JFK – San José	4:45 p.m.	8:23 p.m.

Times are local.

Average flight time is 6 hours.

"We continue to add exciting new destinations from San Jose, providing our valued guests more nonstop options to meet their business and leisure needs," said John Kirby, Alaska's vice president of capacity planning. "Alaska offers the most coast-to-coast markets of any airline, and continues to expand our route network with over 40 new markets added since the acquisition of Virgin America."

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“New York City and the surrounding area is the No. 1 requested domestic route from Mineta San José International Airport by both business and leisure travelers, and we're pleased to now offer daytime service to this highly-requested destination,” said Director of Aviation John Aitken.

“Alaska was also ranked No. 1 among U.S. carriers for on-time performance in January, offering travelers another reason to choose Alaska for their coast-to-coast travel needs.”

Alaska led all large U.S. airlines in on-time performance in January 2018, the latest month the information is available. See Department of Transportation information [here](#).

Alaska, SJC's second largest carrier, operates nonstop flights from SJC to 19 additional cities: Austin, Boise, Burbank, Cabo San Lucas, Dallas-Love Field, Eugene, Guadalajara, the Hawaiian Islands (Honolulu, Kahului, Kona and Lihue), Newark/New York area, Orange County, Portland, Reno, San Diego, Seattle and Tucson. The airline also plans to launch service to Paine Field in Everett, Washington, serving Seattle's northern suburban area, in fall 2018, pending government approval.

Other SJC carriers offering daily service to the New York area are:

- **New York/JFK** – late-evening flights: JetBlue Airways and Delta Air Lines (begins June 8, 2018)
- **Newark** – Alaska and United Airlines

**About Alaska Airlines**

Alaska Airlines, together with Virgin America and its regional partners, flies 44 million guests a year to more than 115 destinations with an average of 1,200 daily flights across the United States and to Mexico, Canada and Costa Rica. With Alaska and [Alaska Global Partners](#), guests can earn and redeem miles on flights to more than 900 destinations worldwide. Learn more about Alaska's award-winning service at [newsroom.alaskaair.com](#) and [blog.alaskaair.com](#). Alaska Airlines, Virgin America and Horizon Air are subsidiaries of Alaska Air Group (NYSE: ALK).

**SJC: Transforming How Silicon Valley Travels**

[Mineta San José International Airport](#) (SJC) is Silicon Valley's airport, a self-supporting enterprise owned and operated by the City of San José. The airport serves 12.8 million passengers annually, with 200+ peak daily departures on 16 international and domestic carriers to 54 nonstop destinations. SJC has been America's fastest-growing major airport over the past two years, based on percentage increase in passenger seat capacity. For more airport information, visit [flysanjose.com](#).