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# **AEROMEXICO NOW FLIES TO SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA**

## Aeromexico announced service on their new Guadalajara-Silicon Valley route, as their sixth destination in the State of California

**San Jose, California, July 12, 2017** – Aeromexico announced the launch of their new service on the San Jose, California-Guadalajara route, that started on July 1. This flight is operated in conjunction with partner Delta Air Lines as the two airlines create more options and expanded service for travelers flying between the U.S. and Mexico. In California, the two airlines currently operate service to Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Jose, Ontario, Sacramento and Fresno, from Mexico City and Guadalajara.

In 2016, most international tourists traveling to Mexico came from the United States — 9.6 million in total — this new route will further increase tourism in the region.

The new flight is operated with a Boeing 737-800 aircraft configured with 186 seats in the Economy cabin. Flight schedules on the route are as follows:

San Jose, California - Guadalajara*				Guadalajara – San Jose, California*			
AM 433	10:15 a.m.	03:53 p.m.	Daily	AM 432	07:15 a.m.	09:00 a.m.	Daily

"For Aeromexico this sixth destination in California boosts its presence in the West Coast of the United States, a region with the largest number of Hispanic citizens and an increasing passenger flow from Guadalajara; one of our main hubs that connects other cities in Mexico and Latin America towards the state of California. More than 33,000 weekly seats are offered, building new air bridges for our valued customers," said Aeromexico's Senior VP Global Sales Jorge Goytortua.

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The State of California welcomed eight million Mexican visitors in 2016 and three out of every 10 passengers who travel to the United States visit the state thanks to the existing air connectivity and the attractions it offers for all tastes and budgets.

"San Jose thanks Aeromexico for its investment in San Jose and for recognizing the importance of having nonstop service to our Sister City, Guadalajara," said San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo. "I am confident that with our deep economic, educational, and cultural ties, Silicon Valley's business and leisure travelers will enthusiastically support this new service."

"We're very pleased and proud that Aeromexico is joining our growing family of airlines at Silicon Valley's airport," said SJC Interim Director of Aviation John Aitken. "We are looking forward to a strong partnership and to an enhanced SkyTeam presence for our travelers."

In addition to the efforts made in recent years to improve connectivity in the region, during the first months of 2017, Mexico's global airline increased the number of passengers it carried on its routes to California by 8%, representing a 3.2% growth in the total number of seats offered, compared to the same period last year.

"We are thrilled to welcome the new Delta and Aeromexico route providing convenient service to and from San Jose and Guadalajara," said Karolyn Kirchgesler, CEO, Team San Jose. "Business travelers get more direct flights and it opens our destination up to leisure travelers who can explore our unique Silicon Valley lifestyle — a mix of high-tech, beautiful redwoods and award-winning wineries. With ongoing facility and service improvements at Mineta San Jose International Airport we are poised for even more growth and to welcome more visitors."

Thanks to Aeromexico and Delta Air Lines' joint commitment, the State of California further increases its connectivity with the new air bridges that will allow it to strengthen tourism and trade in Mexico and Latin America with the quality that characterizes both airlines.

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### **About Grupo Aeromexico**

Grupo Aeromexico, S.A.B. de C.V. is a holding company whose subsidiaries provide commercial aviation services and promote passenger loyalty programs in Mexico. Aeromexico, Mexico's global airline, offers more than 600 daily flights and operates its main hub out of Terminal 2 at the Mexico City International Airport. Its route network spans more than 80 cities on three continents including 45 in Mexico, 22 in the United States, 15 in Latin America, four in Canada, four in Europe, and three in Asia.

Grupo Aeromexico's fleet of close to 120 aircraft includes Boeing 787, 777, and 737 jet airliners and next generation Embraer 170 and 190 models. In 2012, the airline announced the most significant investment strategy in aviation history in Mexico, to purchase up to 100 Boeing aircraft including 90 MAX 737 airliners and ten B787-9 Dreamliners.

As a founding member of the SkyTeam airline alliance, SkyTeam offers customers more than 1,000 destinations in 179 countries served by the 20 SkyTeam airline partners, rewarding passengers with benefits including access to 672 premium airport lounges around the world. Aeromexico also offers travel options with its codeshare partners Delta Air Lines, Alaska Airlines, Avianca, Copa Airlines, and WestJet with extensive connectivity in countries like the United States, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, and Peru. www.aeromexico.com / www.skyteam.com

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