



TIGERAIR AUSTRALIA COMMENCES NEW AND ONLY LOW COST ROUTE BETWEEN BRISBANE AND CANBERRA WITH THREE WEEKLY RETURN SERVICES TAKING FLIGHT TODAY

- **Tigerair to commence three weekly return services between Brisbane and Canberra (Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays) from today.**
- **Tigerair will also introduce an additional return service between Melbourne and Canberra on Fridays from 15 September, taking the total number of Tigerair return services between Melbourne and Canberra to eight per week.**

Thursday 14 September 2017: Tigerair Australia today commences the only low cost services between Brisbane and Canberra, offering customers a great value travel option on this route.

From today, Tigerair will operate three weekly return services between Brisbane and the nation's capital city on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. The new flights are scheduled for a mid-morning departure from Brisbane and a lunchtime departure from Canberra.

Today's first flight departs Brisbane Airport at 10:30am local time and is scheduled to land in Canberra at 12:20pm, to be met on arrival by local tourism and airport partners including ACT Chief Minister Andrew Barr and Managing Director of Canberra Airport Stephen Byron.

In further good news for the ACT, the airline will also be adding an additional weekly return service between Melbourne and Canberra on Fridays from tomorrow (15 September), taking the total number of Tigerair return services between Melbourne and the nation's capital from seven to up to eight per week.

Tigerair Australia Head of Communications, Vanessa Regan, says the airline's new services between Brisbane and Canberra and additional service between Melbourne and Canberra are a great win for consumers, the economy and tourism.

"Our great value fares stimulate and grow the air travel market in this country and we're thrilled to be launching new services between Brisbane and Canberra today in response to consumer demand.

"We've been pleased with the response to our existing services between Melbourne and Canberra which launched in December last year. So much so, that from tomorrow, we are adding an additional weekly return service on Fridays to meet growing demand for low cost services on that route.

"Today's inaugural flight from Brisbane to Canberra is completely full, which is a great sign of things to come.

"With eight weekly return services from Melbourne and three from Brisbane, Tigerair Australia will be providing close to 4,000 seats weekly or over 200,000 seats annually through Canberra Airport, providing a welcome boost for tourism and the local economy."

ACT Chief Minister Andrew Barr said it was exciting to see this new service underway.

“Whether it’s seeing our national institutions or enjoying our world-class restaurants and cafes, visitors from Brisbane will find plenty to do here in Canberra. I hope to see many visitors from Brisbane in the nation’s capital via this new Tigerair service.”

The Managing Director of Canberra Airport, Stephen Byron, said the new low cost service would be greatly welcomed by travellers from Canberra and the wider South Eastern region.

“Tigerair’s expansion of its service to provide a direct link to and from Brisbane, combined with the increased services to Melbourne, will mean faster and cheaper access to both cities for tourists, budget and leisure travellers. This is a win-win for the economies of the ACT, Victoria and Queensland.”

Julianne Alroe, Brisbane Airport Corporation (BAC) CEO and Managing Director said, “The importance of low cost services connecting cities and states with direct flights cannot be over-estimated.

“Time and time again low cost carriers have proven the ability to grow demand and boost visitation across Australia, providing families with very affordable means of travel, and supporting tourism and business across the board.

“The launch of low fare flights between Brisbane and Canberra is another piece in the network puzzle that Tigerair has stepped up and filled and we commend the Tigerair team on its continuing commitment to making air travel very economical.

“With Canberra added to its expanding network, it’s exciting that passengers now have access to Tigerair’s fantastic low fare flights between Brisbane and all state and territory capitals, with the exception of Hobart,” Ms Alroe said.

The new flights between Brisbane and Canberra are well timed and scheduled for a mid-morning departure from Brisbane (10:30am) arriving in Canberra at 12:20pm. Returning from Canberra at 1:05pm and arriving back in Brisbane at 2:45pm.

To celebrate the new services between Brisbane and Canberra, a limited amount of fares are on sale now between the two destinations from just \$69* each way and between Melbourne and Canberra from just \$49* each way. Bargain seekers are urged to get in quick as the best value fares are always snapped up fast.

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