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Adelaide secures new airline – Batik Air Malaysia

Adelaide Airport and the South Australian Government have welcomed today's announcement by Batik Air, Malaysia that it will commence services between Adelaide and Kuala Lumpur from July 2023 in time for the SA school holidays. It will be the first time the carrier flies non-stop to Adelaide.

Batik Air, Malaysia (formerly Malindo Air) will operate three services a week from Kuala Lumpur to Adelaide on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday, returning from Adelaide to Kuala Lumpur on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Adelaide Airport Managing Director, Brenton Cox, said it was great to see the airline flying to Adelaide and continuing to grow the South Australian market.

"Malaysia is a strong long term market for travel to and from Adelaide - it's fantastic news to welcome another airline flying between our two great cities. It is exciting to link Adelaide into Asia through Batik's considerable network," Mr Cox said.

"Batik Air, Malaysia offers connections through Kuala Lumpur across its network for travellers wanting to continue to other destinations throughout South East Asia, China, Japan and India. Batik is a full-service airline so baggage is included in your fare.

"The airline previously operated a one-stop service via Bali under its previous Malindo Air banner, but this is the first time it has offered a non-stop service to and from Adelaide."

Datuk Chandran Rama Muthy, Group Strategy Director for Lion Air Group said: "Looking ahead to the rest of 2023, we see stronger demand for flights to destinations across Australia and therefore, we expanded our wings to Adelaide. With the launch of our flight to Adelaide, we are not only linking the city to Kuala Lumpur but also providing network connectivity to over 45 Batik Air destinations via Kuala Lumpur International Airport."

Tourism Minister Zoe Bettison said: "It is just wonderful for our State to have connectivity to Southeast Asia as international travel continues to recover post-pandemic. We are very excited to welcome Batik Airlines to SA and have Adelaide linked into Asia with Batik's network.

"This creates another opportunity for South Australia to enter a competitive market with direct access for travellers to visit and explore our beautiful State. This is exactly what our tourism economy needs as we continue to recover from the pandemic and focus on bringing international visitors back to our State."

Flight times:

Route	Flight Times		Operational days
KUL-ADL	Dep 2310	Arr 0750 (+1)	Tue Thu Sun
ADL-KUL	Dep 0840	Arr 1455	Mon Wed Fri