

First for Japanese LCC! Airbus A320neo to Enter Into Service Soon

- Peach will be the first Japanese airline operates new-generation engine, LEAP-1A, with approximately 20% improvement in fuel efficiency
- 188 seats, eight more than conventional aircraft, are made possible choosing the Space-Flex option
- Pre-reclining seats enable comfortable seating

Peach Aviation Limited (“Peach”, Representative Director and CEO: Takeaki Mori) announced that the first Airbus A320neo arrived at Kansai Airport last night after a delivery flight from Toulouse, France.



The first A320neo arrived in Kansai Airport (Sep. 29, 2020)

Peach is the first Japanese LCC to operate A320neo. Peach selected new generation engine, CFM International LEAP-1A, as the first Japanese airline. After conducting preparation for safe operation, such as familiarization training by Maintenance units, the aircraft are scheduled to enter service on Oct. 25, 2020, the start of the winter schedule*¹. With entering into service of the A320neo, number of fleet Peach operates will be 32.

A320neo uses a new generation engine and sharklet (large wing tip plate) to improve fuel efficiency by about 20% compared to the conventional A320ceo model.² In addition, with the Space-Flex option that enable an operator to change the cabin layout, the aircraft has mono-class 188 seat specification with eight more seats while keeping the same seating space as conventional aircraft. In addition, Peach ensures seating comfort by continuing to select the well-known Recaro pre-reclining seats introduced from aircraft number 24 (JA824P / in service March 2019).

Peach currently plans to operate the first A320neo for regular flights connecting Osaka (Kansai), Sendai and Sapporo (New-Chitose). On Oct. 25, Peach will start Sapporo (New-Chitose) and Sendai - Okinawa (Naha) routes and restart suspended ^{*3} Osaka (Kansai) and Tokyo (Haneda / Narita) - Taipei (Taoyuan) routes. The first A320neo will be sequentially introduced to these routes as well.

* 1: Registration number for the first A320neo will be JA201P.

* 2: According to the fuel efficiency data published by Airbus.

* 3: Suspended since March 2020 due to the spread of COVID-19.

About Peach (www.flypeach.com)

Peach began operating out of Kansai Airport in March 2012. Peach currently operates 24 domestic and 17 international routes with 32 aircraft from its base: New-Chitose Airport, Sendai Airport, Narita Airport, Fukuoka Airport and Naha Airport in addition to Kansai Airport. Peach aims to become the leading LCC in Asia and expand its network from various regions from the Tokyo metropolitan area and Kansai. Peach will move its terminal at Narita Airport from Terminal 1 to Terminal 3 on Oct. 25.