Condor in winter 2013/14: Munich to become long-haul base / New destinations from Munich, Frankfurt and Vienna

Holiday carrier enhances its Cuba and South-east Asia program

Frankfurt am Main, March 4, 2013 – Condor is including long-haul flights from Munich in its schedule for the first time in six years starting in winter 2013/14. In addition to its first-ever flight from Munich to Santa Clara in Cuba, the holiday carrier is also offering the Thailand capital Bangkok as a new destination from Frankfurt. It is also pushing ahead with the expansion of its Vienna-based schedule in the form of non-stop flights to Mombassa. The entire Condor winter schedule 2013/14 can be booked via all systems as of March 5, 2013.

Ralf Teckentrup, chairman of the Condor management board: “We are delighted that we are returning to Munich with a varied and interesting flight program as from next winter. Even if Frankfurt is our home base, Condor flights from Munich have a long tradition we are pleased to relaunch. The inclusion of Bangkok and Santa Clara in our schedule enables us to offer our guests an even greater variety of holiday options.”

Dr. Michael Kerkloh, chairman of the management board of Flughafen München GmbH, welcomes the imminent comeback of Condor: “With its new long-haul routes, Condor is a genuine enhancement to the options offered via Munich Airport. I am sure that these attractive long-haul holidays will attract a great deal of interest.”

Condor long-haul flights from Munich

For the first time ever, Santa Clara on Cuba in the Villa Clara region is being included in the Condor flight schedule as a new destination from Munich. Moreover, weekly flights to Cancun (Mexico), Mauritius, Mombassa (Kenya), Montego Bay (Jamaica), Puerto Plata (Dominican Republic) and Varadero (Cuba) are being offered. The popular Caribbean destination Punta Cana in the Dominican Republic is served by no less than three flights per week non-stop from Munich. The weekly flight to Goa (India) is the only route being entirely relocated from Frankfurt to Munich. For the Condor flights from Munich, two Boeing 767-300ER aircraft are being stationed in the Bavarian capital.

Bangkok new destination from Frankfurt / Expansion of Cuba and South-east Asia program

Condor will always be flying non-stop to Bangkok in Thailand on Mondays and Thursdays as from its winter 2013/14 schedule. The capital of Thailand is called “Krung Thep” by locals, which translated means “City of Angels”. The mixture of historic tradition and modernity offers visitors numerous attractions giving an insight into Thai culture. The most important Buddhist temple site of the more
than 400 in the city is Wat Phra Kaeo, which houses the famous Emerald Buddha and is the historic center of the city. The largest national museum in South-east Asia is moreover in Bangkok.

The Thai holiday resort of Phuket is also served non-stop by three weekly flights from Frankfurt. Together with the Condor partner Bangkok Airways, guests are offered a varied and flexible program for holidays to South-east Asia. As such, Rangoon in Myanmar and Siem Reap in Cambodia are served by five weekly flights. For the destinations Vientiane (Laos), Phnom Penh (Cambodia) as well as Lampang, Pattaya, Sukhothai, Chiang Mai, Koh Samui and Koh Chang in Thailand too, the flight times have been coordinated with Bangkok Airways departures with the result that Condor guests are offered convenient connections.

The frequency of services to Cuba continues to be enhanced. Santa Clara is being served by Condor for the first time ever while the schedule to Havana from Frankfurt is being increased to three weekly flights. Varadero too is being served by a total of five weekly flights from Frankfurt, Munich and Vienna as from Condor’s winter 2013/14 flight schedule.

Condor flights can be booked online at condor.com, by phone on 01805/767757 (0.14 euro/min. from your landline in Germany, from a mobile, max. 0.42 euro/min.), or through your travel agent. Flights from Munich to Santa Clara are available starting from all-inclusive one-way prices of 399,99 Euro in Economy Class, 499,99 Euro in Premium Economy, and 999,99 Euro in Comfort Class or from Frankfurt to Bangkok starting from 399,99 Euro in Economy Class, 599,99 Euro in Premium Economy, and 1499,99 Euro in Comfort Class.

Vienna program: Mombassa new destination

Following the successful introduction of long-haul flights from Vienna, the schedule from the Austrian capital is being further enhanced to include a third non-stop flight to Mombassa in Kenya. The coastal city in East Africa is being offered every Wednesday as from the end of December 2013. Punta Cana in the Dominican Republic and Varadero on Cuba continue to be available as destinations from Vienna in the winter 2013/14 schedule.

Condor Flugdienst GmbH has been flying its guests to the most beautiful holiday destinations in the world since 1956. On an annual basis, 6.7 million passengers fly with Condor to around 75 destinations in Europe, Asia, Africa and America. Condor is the Germans’ favorite airline: In a customer satisfaction survey conducted by the German Institute for Service Quality (DISQ) in December 2012, Condor came out first and was the only airline to be awarded the seal “very good”. Since March 1, 2013, the German airline Condor has been merged with the airlines Thomas Cook Airlines UK and Thomas Cook Airlines Belgium to form the Thomas Cook Airline Segment. The fleet of the Thomas Cook Group comprises 91 modern and environmentally friendly aircraft, of which 38 aircraft are from the Condor fleet: twelve Airbus A320s, one Airbus A321, thirteen Boeing 757-300s and twelve Boeing 767-300s. The aircraft are maintained by the airlines’ own technical companies.
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