



## TAAG's new route Luanda-Madrid and beyond is now live

As of June 27, TAAG scaled to twelve international destinations, adding Spain to the network portfolio. The new route Luanda-Madrid-Luanda operated by TAAG airplanes allows passengers traveling from Angola to connect Madrid as a destination or stopover to multiple European cities within the IBERIA network.

Luanda 27-06-2022: After the TAAG/IBERIA partnership agreement in May, commercial flights between Luanda and Madrid are now live. TAAG assures two weekly flights operated by a Boeing 777-300ER with a capacity of 293 seats overall, 12 seats in business plus class, 56 seats in standard business class, and 225 seats in economy class.

Schedule:

Flight	From	Departure	To	Arrival	Frequencies
DT 680	Luanda (LAD)	21:00	Madrid (MAD)	05:15 (+1)	Thursday & Sunday
DT 681	Madrid (MAD)	23:55	Luanda (LAD)	06:25 (+1)	Monday & Friday

Note: Local time

The codeshare and interline agreement signed by TAAG and IBERIA, enable passengers from Luanda to have a unique ticket paid in Kwanzas, and access Madrid as a destination or stopover to a connecting flight (operated by IBERIA) to multiple cities in Europe, namely: **Portugal** (Porto), **Germany** (Frankfurt, Munich, Dusseldorf, Berlin), **Italy** (Rome, Milan, Bologna) **Belgium** (Brussels) **United Kingdom** (London), **Spain** (Madrid, Barcelona, Seville, Valencia, Coruña, Vigo, Alicante, Bilbao etc.)

Passengers benefit from more destinations for tourism purposes and entrepreneurs aiming to invest in Angola or other geographies within TAAG's network (vice-versa) now have multiple possibilities for Europe-Africa-Latin America connections.

The first flight Luanda-Madrid was a key milestone. It departed from Luanda at 9:00 a.m. and arrived in Madrid at 5:15 p.m. A delegation composed of government officials from Angola and Spain, TAAG board members, business agencies/chambers, and pioneer passengers took part in the journey.

Moreover, a commemorative event occurred at a hotel in Madrid filled with cultural entertainment from Angola and Spain. This initiative brought together multiple stakeholders and entities, such as the Ambassador of Angola in Spain, José Luís de Matos Agostinho, and the Ambassador of Spain in Angola, Manuel Lejarreta.

Eduardo Fairen, CEO of TAAG, stated *“this new Luanda-Madrid-Luanda route represents TAAG's will to promote greater connections between Africa and Europe. The company is focused on increasing destinations and offering the best possible service to our customers. We are excited about the agreement with IBERIA, which allows both companies to incorporate the partner's network into the destination offer, providing families and the corporate segment with more options, traveling from the Luanda hub to Europe, via Madrid.”*

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## About TAAG

TAAG Angola Airlines was founded in 1938 and it is based in Luanda, Angola's capital city. For more than 80 years TAAG has connected Angolans with its key domestic and international markets. TAAG is the leading airline in the country, recognized worldwide for its strong cooperate high yield market, having grown its current network to 14 domestic and 12 international destinations. Its fleet allows, in addition to passenger transport, air cargo services which have become essential for the Angola's growth and development. TAAG is a company that proud itself from long and recognized history of service and performance improvement.

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