



EVA Air ranked among world's top 10 safest airlines

AirlineRatings.com recognises EVA for its spotless safety record



8th January 2014 – Taiwan's leading independent airline, [EVA Air](#), has been ranked as one of the world's top 10 safest full-service airlines by website *AirlineRatings.com*, for the second consecutive year.

AirlineRatings.com, a respected global airline rating site, used strict criteria to evaluate all of the 449 airlines and rated them based on analyses of information from aviation governing bodies, governments, leading industry associations and crash data. To rank among the top 10, EVA Air was required to earn the maximum seven-star safety rating and meet seven strict criteria.*

Other airlines among the top 10, in alphabetical order, are: Air New Zealand, Cathay Pacific Airways, British Airways, Emirates, Etihad Airways, Finnair, Lufthansa, Qantas and Singapore Airlines.

"Our top-ten safest airlines are always at the forefront of safety innovation and launching new planes," said *AirlineRatings.com* Editor Geoffrey Thomas. "EVA Air has been selected in our top ten safest airlines because of its continuous focus on safety and excellent operational record."

EVA Air has consistently been recognised by organisations worldwide for its impeccable safety record. The airline maintains its safety record by never compromising maintenance, repair or upkeep. It takes precautions to ensure that every flight is safe from gate-to-gate. Achievements such as this top 10 ranking are a credit to both EVA Air and Taiwan's aviation industry.

"It is an honour for EVA to stand out in the full-service airline crowd and rank as one of the world's top-10 safest airlines," said EVA Chairman K. W. Chang. "This distinction is the result of in-depth analysis by industry experts, making it especially meaningful and welcome. Safety and quality service are and will always continue to be EVA's priorities."

AirlinesRating.com, whose team is recognised around the globe for their expertise and deep knowledge of the industry, also recently ranked EVA Air seventh among the world's top 10 airlines for product quality, designating it a carrier of choice for business and leisure travel in 2015 and honouring it with an Excellence Award as Best Long-Haul Airline Asia/Pacific.

Aero International has also ranked EVA as one of the world's top 10 safest airlines seven times since 2004. With performance, it has demonstrated zero defects in IATA's Operational Safety Audits (IOSA), performed every two years since 2005. Additional information about EVA Air's quality services, commitment to safety and consistent recognition by organisations worldwide for its safety record can be found at www.evaair.com.

**AirlinesRating.com used seven safety criteria to assess airlines. Each of the top 10 airlines has:*

- 1. Completed an IATA (International Air Transport Association) Operational Safety Audit, i.e. earned IOSA Certification.*
- 2. Met the European Union's high standards of aircraft maintenance and regulatory oversight and are not on the EU Blacklist.*
- 3. Maintained a fatality-free record for the past 10 years.*
- 4. Flown to the United States from a country that upholds the Federal Aviation Authority's (FAA's) aircraft operations and maintenance requirements.*
- 5. Originated in a country that fulfils all eight International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) safety parameters.*
- 6. Never been grounded by any governing aviation safety authority.*
- 7. Built a fleet using Boeing, Airbus and McDonnell Douglas aircraft and does not operate Russian-built aircraft.*

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About EVA Air

EVA Airways was formed in 1989 as Taiwan's first privately owned international airline. It launched passenger services in 1991 and cargo services in 1995. It is a division of the respected Evergreen Group and sister company to global container-shipping leader Evergreen Line. Its mission from the start has been to always provide the best and safest services. It serves a network of more than 60 business, leisure and airfreight destinations in Asia, Oceania, Europe and North America. By joining Star Alliance (June 18, 2013), EVA has extended its network to more than 1,300 destinations in more than 190 countries. EVA's routing within Asia is among the industry's best and, with just one easy stop in Taipei, travellers can connect onward to most major cities, including gateways in every region of China. For more information and schedules, please visit: www.evaair.com.

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