



# Vienna Airport Welcomes a New Airline: Air Albania flight from Tirana lands in Vienna for the first time

The flight offering at Vienna Airport continues to expand, now welcoming Albania's flag carrier, Air Albania, for the very first time. Albania is an emerging travel destination, offering visitors a diverse mix of experiences, from the vibrant city life of Tirana to stunning coastal areas, turquoise-blue waters, and the breathtaking Albanian Alps. Air Albania now operates two weekly flights on the Vienna-Tirana route, utilizing an Airbus A320. The official inauguration of this new route was marked by a photo session featuring representatives from both companies, celebrating this significant partnership.

"Tirana is the new trendy destination on the Balkans and can now be reached more easily! Tourism in Albania is booming and demand for flights is steadily rising. In 2024, we registered a 40% increase in passenger volume between Vienna and Tirana. With Air Albania, the country's flag carrier is represented in Vienna for the very first time. This strengthens our route network and makes Vienna even more attractive as a business and tourism location. As the leading flight hub for Southeast Europe, we thus offer even more travel options to one of Europe's most exciting growth regions. Welcome to Vienna Airport, Air Albania!" explains Julian Jäger, Joint CEO and COO of Vienna Airport.

"We are delighted to further expand our route network with the new connection between Tirana and Vienna. This connection to Austria marks an important milestone in our expansion strategy. Tirana and the whole of Albania are emerging travel destinations and we are proud to support this development. We would like to express our appreciation to Vienna Airport and all our partners who have contributed to the successful realisation of this route. We are convinced that this connection will further strengthen relations between our countries", states Alper Vardar, Deputy CEO of Air Albania.

## Two weekly flights linking Vienna and Tirana

Air Albania flies twice a week (Thursdays, Sundays) connecting Vienna and Tirana. The flight leaves Tirana at 8:15 p.m. on both days, arriving in Vienna at 9:25 p.m. The return flight from Vienna departs at 10:25 p.m. and lands in Tirana at 12:10 a.m. (on the following day). The airline deploys an ultramodern Airbus A320 on the route.

## Tirana – pulsating capital and ideal starting point for discovering Albania

Tirana, the vibrant capital city of Albania, inspires visitors thanks to its unique mixture of history, culture, and modern flair. Colourful buildings, impressive museums such as the National Historical Museum, as well as the trendy coffee houses in the trendy district of Blloku and the exciting nightlife make Tirana an enthralling travel destination. Moreover, the city also stands out due to its ideal location. Visitors are lured by the fantastic beaches on the Adriatic Sea, only a short trip away. At the same time, the Dajti Mountains delight nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.

# Air Albania: Albania's flag carrier headquartered in Tirana

Air Albania is Albania's national airline, linking the country with important destinations in Europe and beyond. Since its founding in the year 2018, the airline has been continuously growing. It relies on a modern Airbus A320 and Boeing 737-800 fleet featuring a high level of comfort and reliable service. As Albania's flag carrier, Air Albania plays a key role in the development of the Albanian aviation





sector. Thanks to the new flight connection to Vienna, it also strengthens the international accessibility of the country. Further information and booking possibilities can be found at www.airalbania.com.al.

## Caption:

Photo 1: (from left to right) Ermir Pupla, Manager of Charter & Cargo Air Albania, Alper Vardar, Deputy CEO Air Albania, Sebastian Wolf, Director Route Development Flughafen Wien AG and Crew Air Albania Photo 2: Albania's flag carrier Air Albania is now new at Vienna Airport and flies twice a week to Tirana Credit: Vienna Airport

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