

Montego Bay welcomes Swoop's sold-out inaugural flight from Hamilton Swoop celebrates its first international flight with every day low fares from \$149

CALGARY, AB – December 16, 2018/CNW/ - Today Swoop celebrates its first international flight from John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport (YHM) to Sangster International Airport (MBJ) in Montego Bay, Jamaica.

The sold-out flight departs Hamilton at 8:00 a.m. EST and arrives in Montego Bay at 12:10 p.m. EST. Travellers will be greeted upon landing in Montego Bay with a celebratory water arch, met with live entertainment and donned with local customary decorative beads.

"Today marks yet another significant layer of Swoop's history," said Karen McIsaac, Senior Advisor of Communications at Swoop. "We are honored to have the support of the Canadian High Commissioner to Jamaica joining us in the celebration alongside the many dignitaries present at Sangster International Airport today. Swoop is heading the charge to make international travel more affordable than ever before."

"I am extremely delighted to welcome Swoop Inc. on the occasion of the airline's inaugural flight to Montego Bay, Jamaica," said Her Excellency Laurie J. Peters, Canadian High Commissioner to Jamaica. "The introduction of Swoop's service is another demonstration of the long-standing and extensive aviation linkages between Canada and Jamaica and a true example of the close people-to-people ties between both countries."

"MBJ welcomes Swoop's new service from Hamilton, Canada," said Rafael Echevarne, CEO, MBJ Airports Limited. "We congratulate Swoop on this new service and are delighted that Montego Bay, Jamaica was chosen as the first Caribbean route. We look forward to this service and the additional passengers from Canada. Welcome to Montego Bay and Jamaica."

"Today's inaugural flight to Montego Bay, Jamaica marks an important milestone for Swoop as it continues to expand the growing list of destinations it serves," said Cathie Puckering, President & CEO, John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport. "Swoop began operation in June with domestic service and has since added U.S. destinations to Florida and Las Vegas in the fall. This connection, between Hamilton and Montego Bay, is a special one as both airports are part of the Vantage Airport Group. This new service is sure to excite Canadians eager to escape the cold winter months ahead."

Flights are available for booking through to April 27, 2019.

Details of Swoop's service to Montego Bay, Jamaica:

Hamilton and Montego Bay	Wednesday, Sunday	2 x per week	\$149 CAE
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^{*}Every day low fares. Lower promotional fares may be available during select travel periods.

Swoop is the first Canadian ultra-low-cost carrier to provide sun-service from Canada to the U.S. and Caribbean. Swoop travellers out of Abbotsford and Hamilton can look forward to three new destinations in Mexico; Puerta Vallarta, Mazatlán and Cancun service begins in January 2019.

To learn more about Swoop's destinations, schedule and ultra-low-cost model visit <u>FlySwoop.com</u> or connect with Swoop on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Instagram</u>.

About Swoop

Established in 2018, Swoop is Canada's leading ultra-low-cost airline, independently operated as part of the WestJet Group of companies, offering point-to-point scheduled service to 14 destinations in Canada, the U.S., Mexico and the Caribbean. Swoop offers completely unbundled products and services, creating the unique opportunity for travellers to control their costs and customize their experience by purchasing only the extras they desire.

Swoop operates a modern fleet of six Boeing 737-800 aircraft, equipped with in-seat power and Wi-Fi connectivity. A total of ten aircraft are expected in operation by the end of 2019.

Swoop's mobile app allows travellers to quickly and easily book flights, manage bookings, check-in, view boarding passes, track flights and access Wi-Fi service in-flight.

For more details on Swoop, including employment opportunities, visit FlySwoop.com.

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