



Tiger Airways' Roars Back To Darwin!! First Return Flight To Carry Tiger Airways' Four Millionth' Passenger!

***Fares On Sale Now On Melbourne – Darwin Route From Just \$94*
For Travel Period 12 July 2010 – 30 October 2010!***

Friday 18 June 2010: Australia's only true low fare airline, Tiger Airways, makes a welcome return to Darwin this weekend with the first flight from Melbourne arriving into Darwin Airport this evening, (Friday 18 June 2010) **(11:59pm)**.

The return flight, (departing Darwin at 12:30am early Saturday morning), will carry Tiger Airways' four millionth passenger in Australia. Tiger Airways Australia Managing Director, Crawford Rix, will fly to Darwin to meet and present the lucky Darwin-based winner with their prize (\$400 Tiger Airways travel voucher), ahead of her flight to Melbourne.

Tiger Airways Australia Managing Director, Crawford Rix, says he's thrilled the airline is returning to Darwin and that he is very much looking forward to his first visit to the top end to celebrate the four millionth passenger milestone and to meet with key tourism and industry partners.

"The return of Darwin to our network is something we have been working on closely with Darwin Airport and Tourism NT. With six weekly flights commencing from this Friday, Tiger Airways will provide a significant boost for inbound tourism for the Territory, providing more than 110,000 visitor seats through Darwin Airport annually.

"The commencement of this route is also great news for Territorians wishing to travel to Victoria to catch up with friends or go to their favourite sport or entertainment event.

"Through the innovative Low Fare Revolution we've brought to this nation, we are able to consistently offer incredibly low airfares – no other airline can sustain airfares as low. The great news for consumers is that Tiger Airways is focused on looking at ways to further reduce our airfares in the future," he says.

Mr Rix adds that the airline is very pleased with the response and forward sales on the Melbourne – Darwin route with "very full flights this weekend" and that he looks forward to a close working relationship with NT Tourism and NT Airports to look for possible future growth opportunities in Central Australia and the Top End.

NT Airports' CEO Ian Kew is equally pleased with the return of Tiger Airways to Darwin.

"Our partnership with Tiger Airways goes back many years as Darwin was the first Australian destination served by Tiger Airways Singapore in 2005. We are pleased to see the return of Tiger Airways to Darwin, and look forward to working with them to expand their 'paw print' in the Territory."

From this Friday, 18 June 2010, Tiger Airways will commence six weekly flights between Melbourne and Darwin. **Fares are on sale today from just \$94* one way.** Pounce online today to snap up the best fares! Book early and fly cheaper! For information and booking details, visit www.tigerairways.com.

Key facts:

- From 18 June 2010 Tiger Airways will commence six weekly flights between Melbourne and Darwin with fares on sale now from just \$94.*
- Tiger Airways flights on the resumed Melbourne – Darwin route will depart Melbourne Airport at 20:15pm Mondays – Fridays and 21:30pm on Sundays (from this Friday 18 June 2010).
- Tiger Airways is Australia's only true low fare airline and remains committed to providing the lowest airfares for domestic travel around Australia.
- Tiger Airways is Australia's newest and fastest growing major domestic airline.
- Tiger Airways recently announced a number of significant milestones including:
 - A new base at Avalon Airport in Victoria and new additional aircraft when flights commence from Avalon on 10 November 2010, bringing the total fleet of A320 airbus aircraft from nine currently, to 11.
- Tiger Airways operates the newest fleet of aircraft in Australia with average age of each aircraft under three years old.
- Since Tiger Airways commenced operations in Australia in November 2007, the airline has carried almost four million passengers around the country – more than 80% of them for much less than \$100.
- Tiger Airways is committed to offering fantastic low fares all the time, making air travel affordable for everyone.
- With six weekly flights through Darwin Airport each week, Tiger Airways will provide around 2,160 visitor seats weekly or over 110,000 visitor seats annually through the airport.

MEDIA EVENT ALERT

Media are invited to attend the following event:

- What:** Tiger Airways' Melbourne – Darwin inaugural flight media event including interview opportunities with Tiger Airways Australia's new Managing Director – Crawford Rix. *Plus presentation of major travel prize to the Tiger Airways' four millionth passenger.*
- Where:** SKYCITY Darwin (on the lawns near the pool).
- When:** 10am Friday, 18 June, 2010.
- Who:** **Tiger Airways Australia Managing Director, Crawford Rix, NT Airports CEO Ian Kew, NT Airports Jim Parashos. Plus Tiger Airways' lucky four millionth passenger.**
- Photo opp:** Tiger Airways' Managing Director, Crawford Rix, meeting key tourism and airport partners and Tiger Airways' four millionth passenger receiving their prize voucher, presented to them by Crawford Rix.

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* This "Tiger Raw" fare is the lowest available single price fare from Tiger Airways Australia and is fully inclusive of all taxes and charges.

"Tiger Raw" fares must be purchased on line using a Mastercard debit card issued by an Australian financial institution. The "Tiger Raw" fare does not incur payment of the AUD6 convenience fee associated with credit card purchases per passenger, per flight sector. Payment by Visa or Mastercard credit card or international debit card is permissible subject to payment of this fee.

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