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REX TO FLY BRISBANE-SYDNEY

- **New route starts December 20**
- **Three flights a day**
- **Launch fares from \$69**
- **No holiday blackouts**
- **Completes the 'Golden Triangle' (Sydney-Melbourne-Brisbane)**

Rex will launch flights between Brisbane and Sydney on December 20 with fares from just \$69.

It is the second new route unveiled by Rex this week and follows Monday's announcement that flights between Brisbane and Melbourne will begin on December 17.

Rex will service Brisbane-Sydney with triple daily flights Monday to Friday, with double-daily operations on weekends.

The special \$69 fares are on sale until November 30 for travel up to April 30, 2022. Importantly, just like all other Rex Reconnect Sale fares announced recently, there will be no Christmas holiday blackout dates on flights to Brisbane.

Rex offers a full service for passengers which includes 23 kilograms of free check in luggage, free carry-on and free refreshments onboard the flight.

"Today's announcement yet again demonstrates our determination to grow our domestic network and provide consumers with safe, reliable and affordable air travel," Rex Deputy Chairman, The Hon John Sharp AM, said.

Queensland's Tourism Minister, Stirling Hinchliffe, welcomed the extra capacity from Sydney into Brisbane delivered by Rex.

"More visitors to Brisbane fly in from Sydney than any other city, making the new Rex connection good news for tourism operators and family reunions this Christmas," Mr Hinchliffe said.

"The new Rex capacity into Brisbane delivers more options for Sydneysiders looking forward to a Queensland holiday getaway after a tough year.

"The Palaszczuk Government is committed to backing Queensland airports to rebuild flight schedules because we understand the importance of aviation to helping our state's tourism industry to rebuild better."

Gert-Jan de Graaff, Chief Executive Officer, Brisbane Airport Corporation, said: "From the Harbour City to the River City, these new services will provide travellers with more choice and flexibility just in time for Christmas.

"Today's announcement from Rex, in addition to the new Melbourne services, bolsters the recovery for Brisbane's two busiest domestic routes.

"We applaud Rex for their decision to invest in Brisbane and look forward to working with them as they continue their growth."

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Sydney Airport's Chief Executive Officer, Geoff Culbert, enthusiastically embraced Rex's new route, saying: "Re-connecting people in Sydney and Brisbane is so important as we work towards the recovery of our domestic travel industry.

"We are excited to see Rex's announcement that they will be commencing this service and look forward to this route returning to being one of the busiest in the world."

"Brisbane is a key gateway for Rex and will very quickly become the launch pad for further forays into the Queensland market in the months and years ahead," Mr Sharp said.

Rex has made no secret of the fact it has been looking very closely at a range of major regional and holiday destinations in Queensland and will establish a Boeing 737-800NG base in Brisbane.

Rex is the only airline in Australia that offers a COVID Refund Guarantee for new bookings, which guarantees full refunds for any passenger affected by COVID-related cancellations, re-scheduling, border closures or travel restrictions.

Rex is Australia's largest independent regional and domestic airline operating a fleet of 60 Saab 340 and six Boeing 737-800NG aircraft to 61 destinations throughout all states in Australia. In addition to the airline Rex, the Rex Group comprises wholly owned subsidiaries Pel-Air Aviation (air freight, aeromedical and charter operator) and the two pilot academies, Australian Airline Pilot Academy in Wagga Wagga and Ballarat.

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