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**NEWS RELEASE**  
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## **Air Canada returns to the Comox Valley Airport**

The Comox Valley Airport is pleased to announce that Air Canada will be returning to northern Vancouver Island with a new twice-daily, non-stop service from Comox to Vancouver beginning May 1, 2015.

"This new service will provide another choice for island residents to access the mainland, particularly those that want to fly onto additional destinations within the expansive Air Canada route network," said Fred Bigelow, CEO of the Comox Valley Airport.

"We are delighted to launch our newest regional service at the Comox Valley Airport next spring and we look forward to welcoming customers from the Comox, Courtenay and Campbell River areas onboard Air Canada Express flights operated by Jazz Aviation," said Kevin C. Howlett, Air Canada's Senior Vice President of Regional Markets. "Customers can fly either point-to-point between Comox and Vancouver, or conveniently connect in Vancouver to and from our worldwide network at our Vancouver hub to destinations in Asia and the South Pacific, Europe, and our extensive North American route network. All Air Canada flights offer Aeroplan accumulation and redemption benefits."

The Comox/Vancouver route will be operated by Jazz Aviation LP under the Air Canada Express brand using a 50-seat, made-in-Canada Bombardier Dash 8-300 aircraft. Flights are available for sale starting today and flight times are as follows:

<b>Flight</b>	<b>Departing</b>	<b>Arriving</b>
AC 8307	Vancouver 8:55 a.m.	Comox 9:35 a.m.
AC 8308	Comox 9:55 a.m.	Vancouver 10:33 a.m.
AC 8309	Vancouver 4:25 p.m.	Comox 5:05 p.m.
AC 8310	Comox 5:25 p.m.	Vancouver 6:03 p.m.

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The Comox schedule has been carefully planned to provide comprehensive connection options within the Air Canada route network. Possible same-day connections from Comox with Air Canada include: all points within B.C., Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon, Regina, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Hong Kong, Seoul, Tokyo-Narita, Osaka, Beijing, Shanghai, Honolulu, Maui, Sydney Australia and London Heathrow.

Air Canada flight bookings to/from Comox can be made at [www.aircanada.com](http://www.aircanada.com) or with a Travel Agent. Flight and hotel packages are available at [www.vacations.aircanada.com](http://www.vacations.aircanada.com).

### **About Air Canada**

Air Canada is Canada's largest domestic and international airline serving more than 180 destinations on five continents. Canada's flag carrier is among the 20 largest airlines in the world and in 2013 served more than 35 million customers. Air Canada provides scheduled passenger service directly to 60 Canadian cities, 49 destinations in the United States and 73 cities in Europe, the Middle East, Asia, Australia, the Caribbean, Mexico and South America. Air Canada is a founding member of Star Alliance, the world's most comprehensive air transportation network serving 1,316 airports in 192 countries. Air Canada is the only international network carrier in North America to receive a Four-Star ranking according to independent U.K. research firm Skytrax that ranked Air Canada in a worldwide survey of more than 18 million airline passengers as Best Airline in North America in 2014 for the fifth consecutive year. For more information, please visit: [www.aircanada.com](http://www.aircanada.com).

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