

MEDIA RELEASE

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Airnorth adds more flights to Townsville schedule

After the successful launch of their Townsville flights in February 2012, Airnorth is adding an additional weekly service on the route every Wednesday. The new service will commence from 07 November 2012 and will supplement Airnorth's current Monday and Friday schedule.

"The additional service is in response to the positive support we have received from our passengers since the launch of our Townsville route earlier this year" said Mr Michael Bridge, Airnorth's Chief Executive Officer.

"This route has made it significantly easier for our passengers to visit their family and friends, in particular members of the Defence Force and resource industry workers. It has also opened up new holiday destinations for both NT and North QLD residents, including easy connections to South East Asia and beyond for our Townsville-based passengers," he said.

"We've also received great support from our business passengers thanks to initiatives implemented by both regional Chamber of Commerce offices and Townsville Enterprise," said Mr Bridge.

Internet airfares start from **\$196*** for one-way flights between Townsville and Darwin. Bookings can be made at www.airnorth.com.au, with Airnorth Reservations on 1800 627 474 or through your local travel agent.

Schedule: [all in local times]

New Wednesday Service – effective from 7 November 2012				
TL186	Depart Darwin	14:15	Arrive Townsville	17:20
TL187	Depart Townsville	18:05	Arrive Darwin	20:20
Current Schedule – Every Monday & Friday				
TL182	Depart Darwin	07:00	Arrive Townsville	10:05
TL183	Depart Townsville	11:05	Arrive Darwin	13:20

*Fares are one way only, include all taxes and are subject to availability. Quoted airfare is available for internet bookings only. Credit card surcharges apply.

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Company background

Headquartered in Darwin, Airnorth is now the premier airline based in Northern Australia and carries in excess of 250,000 passengers annually.

Airnorth is a full service carrier accommodating the needs of both business and leisure travellers, operating state-of-art regional jets through its interstate and international network and providing passengers with complimentary catering and a free baggage allowance.

The airline operates over 185 departures weekly, serving 16 destinations in the Northern Territory, Western Australia, Queensland and Timor-Leste including:

Darwin	Dili, Timor-Leste	Broome	Elcho Island
Gold Coast	Groote Eylandt	Gove [Nhulunbuy]	Karratha
Kununurra	Maningrida	McArthur River	Milingimbi
Mt Isa	Perth	Port Hedland	Townsville

Passengers can also earn and redeem Qantas Frequent Flyer points on all Airnorth scheduled services.

Airnorth, through its partnership with Qantas Airways, offer seamless connectivity including through check in and interline baggage facilities, with Qantas code sharing on the majority of Airnorth's Jet services.

In addition to scheduled departures, Airnorth operates contract and ad-hoc charter services for a wide variety of companies undertaking oil & gas, mining, defence and government activity.

Airnorth directly employs more than 200 staff in Darwin and provides indirect employment through the contracting of ground service operations across its destinations.

