





# WE'VE GOT SPIRIT, YES WE DO!

Spirit Airlines starts service at AVL in September - BOOK NOW!

If you're ready for a warm Florida getaway, Spirit Airlines is ready to help you take off and save! Beginning September 6, 2018, Spirit will begin service from Asheville Regional Airport (AVL) to Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL), Orlando International Airport (MCO), and Tampa International Airport (TPA).

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But wait! There's MORE great news! Spirit followed the exciting news about the addition of Asheville to their route system by also announcing that they are making Orlando (one of the new nonstop markets from Asheville) a gateway to the Caribbean and Latin America. Ultra low-cost flights to 11 international destinations will be easily accessible to passengers in Asheville who take the nonstop flight from AVL to Orlando. (International destinations include: Aguadilla, Puerto Rico; Guatemala City, Guatemala; Panama City, Panama; Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic; San Pedro Sula, Honduras; San Jose, Costa Rica; San Salvador, El Salvador; Bogota, Columbia; St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands; Medellin, Colombia; and Cargegena, Colombia.)

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## DAILY PARKING GARAGE RATE REDUCED

Lower rate begins July 1

Asheville Regional Airport's phenomenal growth resulted in the necessary construction of a five-story parking garage. The airport now offers 400 more public parking spaces than were available prior to the garage's construction.

Because no Federal Aviation Administration funds can be used to construct and operate a parking facility, the airport sought bond financing for the \$22 million structure. The bond was approved, in part, because of the projected revenue that would be generated once the new garage opened. Pricing for the garage was set at \$13 per day, Long Term surface parking at \$9 per day, and Short Term (hourly) parking at \$20 per day, per the business plan.

At its June meeting, the Greater Asheville Regional Airport Authority Board, upon staff recommendation, voted to reduce the price for the parking garage to \$12 per day, beginning July 1. To date, passenger numbers and use of the parking facilities has exceeded projections, and the actual revenue at this time is higher than needed to cover bond debt.

"Airport management is complex," said Lew Bleiweis, A.A.E., executive director at Asheville Regional Airport. "We must balance long term growth strategies and their costs with being good stewards of our region's airport, and for those who use the airport. We hope that the lowered parking fee will improve our passengers' experience."

### Airport Parking as of July 1 - By the Numbers

	Long Term (Surface) Lot	Short Term (Surface) Lot - intended for hourly use	Garage
# of spaces	700	100	1,100
Parking Rates	\$9/day \$2/hour \$54/week (7th day free)	hours	\$12/day \$2/hour \$72/week (7th day free)

#### More changes coming soon

The airport is adding an automated car counting system to the parking facilities, so passengers will know upon arrival how many spaces are available in each lot or in the garage. It will take approximately 8-10 weeks for the signs and technology to be constructed and installed. This amenity will help passengers make informed decisions about where to

park upon their arrival at the airport.

For detailed information about airport parking, visit our website.



### ALLEGIANT TO ADD MORE FLIGHTS TO FLORIDA

More options to Fort Lauderdale and Orlando will be available

Allegiant is expanding its service to Fort Lauderdale and Orland/Sanford, beginning October 3, 2018:

- 1. **Fort Lauderdale:** an additional daily nonstop flight. This expansion will more than double the number of departures for this route from AVL.
- 2. **Orlando/Sanford** will now be offered daily, which increases year-over-year departures for this route by more than 55%.

Allegiant provides nonstop ultra-low-cost flights to Fort Lauderdale and Orlando, plus Washington, D.C. / Baltimore; Denver; New York City / Newark; Tampa / St. Pete and Fort Myers / Punta Gorda

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### CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Runway night work has resumed

We are in the final phase of our five-phase airfield redevelopment project, and night work has resumed. Please be advised that the airfield will close to air traffic most evenings between midnight and 5:30am. We work with all airlines so they are aware of the closures.

Overnight hours are the only available times to conduct paving and electrical work, with minimal impact to commercial flight schedules.

Additionally, you may notice some significant earthwork occurring very close to the north end of the airport terminal. We are expanding the aircraft ramp area, in order to create additional

aircraft parking space - all in response to the major growth happening at AVL.

Thank you for your patience as we continue to grow for you.

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