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## History

Oman Air can look back on an eventful history. It includes many glorious moments but the course of events has not always been smooth. History is always a reflection of people and their times. The challenges facing air transport have become increasingly complex, yet Oman Air has always found the strength to learn and renew itself. That ability has earned the company its leading position in the international airline business.

Oman Air's origins date back to 1993. Since then, we have been maintaining a very high standard of professionalism. Little wonder, Oman Air has created a niche for itself on all operating routes. The company with its team of dedicated and skilled workforce has earned an enviable reputation in the region.

Oman Air plays a major role in making Muscat a major traffic hub in the Middle East providing a fillip to commercial, industrial and tourism activities. Today, Oman Air is becoming an increasingly familiar sight at international airports.

The Oman Air fleet is a modern and fuel- efficient aircraft with aesthetically designed interiors. Ultra-modern in-flight service equipment is deployed onboard to improve safety and overall performance. Investment in new technology, planning and product innovation has propelled Oman Air to the forefront of the aviation industry.

Oman Air- the designated carrier of the Sultanate of Oman is recognized for its strong market presence and respected for its professionalism and recommended for its punctuality and service excellence.

Date	Event
December 2016	Oman Air launches non-stop flights to Guangzhou.
November 2016	Oman Air Launches Sultanate's First Commercial Flight Training Centre. Oman Air Expands its Codeshare with KLM.

October 2016	Oman Air commences flights to Najaf, Iraq from November.
September 2016	Oman Air Unveils Innovative Media Box Epaper Service In Premium Lounges.
August 2016	Oman Air And Saudi Arabian Airlines Sign Codeshare Agreement.
July 2016	Oman Air Implements Fuel Efficiency Software from OpenAirlines.
June 2016	Oman Air Inaugurates New Mashhad Service.
April 2016	Oman Air Launches Second Daily Service To London Heathrow.
March 2016	Oman Air Launches Service By Design First Class Dining Option. Oman Air has chosen SmartKargo, providers of air cargo management solution, to power their cargo sales and operations, beginning June 2016.
February 2016	Global Eagle and Oman Air Renew Content Services Agreement. Oman Air and Cargolux extend Indian freighter network to Mumbai. Oman Air Chooses AFI KLM E&M for 737NG Engine Support.
January 2016	THAI Launches Codeshare With Oman Air.
November 2015	Oman Air Signs With Airbus For A330 Cabin Upgrades.
October 2015	Oman Air has launched a new service to the Bangladeshi capital of Dhaka. Boeing and Oman Air celebrate the delivery of the airline's first Boeing 787 Dreamliner.
September 2015	Sindbad Launches Online Muscat Duty Free Store. The National Carrier of Oman awards cargo handling for Oman Air in Europe to Swissport International Ltd. Oman Air has launched a brand-new multi-segment ticket option, named Oman Air Rahal.
August 2015	Oman Air-Cargolux Cooperation Adds Second Flight To Chennai. Oman Air Unveils Outstanding First and Business Class lounges Following Refurbishment Programme.

July 2015	Oman Air has announced the launch of a new initiative to prevent credit card fraud. Oman Air Launches Sindbad Mobile App For Frequent Fliers.
June 2015	Oman Air Launches Non-stop Services To Kuala Lumpur From 21st June.
May 2015	Oman Air Becomes Official Airline Partner To The Extreme Sailing Series.
April 2015	Oman Air Launches Flights To Goa. Oman Air and Cargolux sign Joint Venture agreement. Oman Air Launches Codeshare With KLM.
March 2015	Oman Air Signs Agreement With Cargolux For Sea-Air Freight Services To India.
December 2014	Oman Air launches new services from Muscat to Manila and Jakarta.
October 2014	Oman Air receives the first of 24 new aircraft it has on order.
August 2014	Oman Air's new Chief Executive Officer, Paul Gregorowitsch, takes up his post.
July 2014	Oman Air launches a new domestic service between Muscat and Duqm. Oman Air appoints Abdulrahman Al-Busaidy as Chief Operating Officer. Oman Air unveils new First Class amenity kits for long haul passengers.
November 2013	Oman Air signs an eight-year contract with Bombardier Aerospace for repair work on Rolls-Royce Trent 700 inlet cowls for the Airbus A330 fleet.
July 2013	Exclusive New First Class and Business Class Check-In opens at Muscat. Oman Air Adds Madinah to Its Expanding Network.
July 2012	Launch of Muscat - Teheran service.
August 2012	Oman Air opens Majan Lounge for FFP members and other airlines.
November 2012	Launch of New Muscat - Jaaluni Charter Service.

	New Business Class lounge opened at BKK.
December 2011	New Emergency Response Centre opened. Launch of new route to Zurich.
October 2011	New Sea-Air links strategic partnership with Port of Salalah.
September 2011	Oman Air Holidays launched in partnership with Bahwan Travel.
August 2011	Business Class passengers gain exclusive access to Heathrow's No1 Traveller lounge.
June 2011	Oman Air Cargo introduces Pan-European trucking services. Launch of First Class lounge-to-aircraft limo service.
May 2011	Oman Air Cargo introduces Pan-GCC trucking services. Oman Air launches services to Zanzibar. Launch of services between Salalah and Dubai.
March 2011	Oman Air begins accepting debit card payments.
January 2011	Opening of new Business and First Class lounges at MIA.
December 2010	Launch of new route to Milan.
August 2010	Launch of new routes to Dammam and Kathmandu.
May 2010	Launch of new routes to Lahore and Islamabad.
April 2010	Launch of new routes to Al Ain, Ras Al Khaima and Kuala Lumpur.
March 2010	Oman Air is the first airline in the world to offer inflight mobile phone and Wi-Fi connectivity.
October 2009	Oman Air launches new services to Paris, Frankfurt, Munich, Male and Colombo. Oman Air takes delivery of its first Airbus A330.

January 2009	Oman Air moves UK-bound services from London Gatwick to London Heathrow.
November 2007	Oman Air launches service from Muscat to London Gatwick.
2007	Government of Oman sells share of Gulf Air and recapitalises Oman Air, taking 80% ownership.
2001	Oman Air engages CFM to provide engine maintenance services.
1998	Oman Air joins IATA.
1993	Oman Air launches its first international flights, to Dubai and Trivandrum, India. Oman Air is formed.
1982	OAS starts regular flights from Muscat to Salalah, as a joint venture with Gulf Air.
1981	Following OIS's 1977 takeover of Gulf Air's light aircraft division, the company becomes Oman Aviation Services (OAS).
1970	Oman International Services (OIS), Oman Air's forerunner, begins handling civilian aircraft.

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