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Press Release

Carpatair opens flights to Thessaloniki

Timisoara, 31 March 2008 – From 24 April, Carpatair expands its summer offer by launching the flight to Thessaloniki, Greece. Thus, starting with this date, Carpatair passengers can fly 3 times a week to one of the most fascinating cities of Greece, located in the north-east – the “entrance” to Halkidiki...

Once with the opening of flights to/from Thessaloniki, Carpatair will operate 9 flights to Greece of which 6 to Athens, Monday to Saturday, and 3 to Thessaloniki, from 24 April. The new flight will thus link 14 Romanian destinations – Bucharest, Constanta, Craiova, Oradea, Satu Mare, Cluj-Napoca, Sibiu, Bacau, Iasi, Suceava, Republic of Moldova – Chisinau and Ukraine – Lviv, Odessa, Kiev (from 2 June 2008) with the entire north-east area of Greece every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, according to the following schedule:

Timisoara – Thessaloniki	08.40 – 10.05
Thessaloniki – Timisoara	10.35 – 11.55

The flights to / from Thessaloniki will be operated via the Timisoara hub.

The second largest city in Greece after Athens, Thessaloniki is a cosmopolitan metropolis where one can perfectly combine the temptations of visiting the sightseeing places with a modern and effervescent urban lifestyle. Ideally facing the Thermaikos Gulf, the city can be discovered step-by-step through its numerous archeological sites unveiling the past of a great civilization. More than that, Thessaloniki is the annual host of significant cultural and economic events that transform it into the “perfect destination” for tourism and business alike, regardless of the period of the year.

From Thessaloniki, one can travel to other touristic objectives that visitors from all over the world know and appreciate. Thus, at short distance from Thessaloniki, you can find Halkidiki, a natural area of great beauty, with beaches spreading on over 500 km, with picturesque gulfs, angler villages that preserve the local tradition unchanged. Halkidiki Peninsula has three arms: Kassandra, Sithonia and the Athos Mountain. The latter, a UNESCO world heritage, is considered the only place dedicated exclusively to faith and understanding. And just in case these arguments are not enough for you to make a vacation agenda, departing from Thessaloniki, perhaps a journey on footsteps of Alexander the Great to the Macedonia region to Pella, more exactly, would be an important detail for those who wish to schedule a full stay in this part of Greece.

Among others, those who fancy typically Greek shopping can leave Thessaloniki to Lerissos, Nea Roda or Ouranoupolis, three towns situated within a range of 140 km around the city. They can be really regarded as true “shopping paradises”.

Carpatair operates regular flights from 10 Romanian destinations to 9 Italian destinations – Turin, Milan, Verona, Venice, Ancona, Bologna, Florence, Bari, Rome, 4 destinations in Germany – Munich, Stuttgart, Dusseldorf, Frankfurt am Main, and to 2 Greek destinations – Athens and Thessaloniki.

For details and booking, passengers may contact Carpatair Call Center Romania, the network of Carpatair ticketing offices in Romania, as well as the entire network of our partner travel agencies in Romania and Republic of Moldova.

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