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Vietnam Airlines to launch new routes to Bali, Phuket and resume operation of Da Nang – Bangkok service

Hanoi, September 18, 2019 –Vietnam Airlines will begin direct flights linking Ho Chi Minh City and Bali (Indonesia) as well as Phuket (Thailand) from 27 October 2019 with extensive flight schedules throughout the week to serve increasing demand for flights on these routes. The new routes bring the popular holiday islands, known for their beautiful beaches, diverse food culture and a wide range of festivals, within a direct flight from Vietnam.

Accordingly, the airline will operate flights on Ho Chi Minh City and Bali route seven times weekly. However, during the period October 27, 2019 to the end of March 2020, the airline will operate five flights per week due to operational restrictions at Denpasar Airport (Bali). Flights will depart from Ho Chi Minh City at 11:10AM and from Bali at 4:50PM every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday of each week. This is the second route launched by Vietnam Airlines that connects Vietnam and Indonesia, following services between Ho Chi Minh City – Jakarta since December 2012 with a frequency of seven flights per week.

Meanwhile, Vietnam Airlines' third route connecting Vietnam and Thailand which is Ho Chi Minh City and Phuket will be run three times weekly, departing from Ho Chi Minh City at 3:50PM and from Phuket at 6:40PM every Tuesday, Friday and Sunday of each week. It is anticipated that this route's frequency will be increased to daily flights starting March 2020.

Vietnam Airlines will also resume operation of Da Nang – Bangkok daily service starting 27 October 2019, departing from Da Nang at 3:20PM and from Bangkok at 6:00PM.

Le Hong Ha, Executive Vice President of Vietnam Airlines said: *“The new routes demonstrate Vietnam Airlines’ commitment in continually expanding our vast network and adding a new level of convenience and flexibility to passengers’ journeys. Apart from offering new, exciting non-stop services, these routes also facilitate international travelers from Europe, Japan, South Korea and many other parts of the world to easily access famous destinations like Bali and Phuket via Vietnam Airlines’ connecting flights.”*

These new flights are operated with Airbus A321 aircraft, offering international 4-star service standards. Our passengers are served with in-flight meals and enjoy the benefits of checked baggage and free baggage allowance.

In celebration of these new flight routes, Vietnam Airlines launches a promotional program of up to 50% discount on return tickets. From 20 September to 10 November 2019, passengers can purchase round-trip tickets from Ho Chi Minh City to Phuket starting from just USD 19 and from Ho Chi Minh City to Bali starting from just USD 69. From 20 September to 30 November 2019, round-trip tickets on Da Nang - Bangkok are also offered with attractive fares starting from just USD 15. The rates specified above do not include taxes, fees and surcharges with terms and conditions applied. Passengers can buy tickets on the website, mobile apps or at the official ticket offices, agents of Vietnam Airlines.

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