



Finnair to test Wireless Internet, Windows 8 Tablets for In-flight Entertainment

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Finnair has announced that it launched a two-month trial of a new in-flight entertainment system using the new HP Windows 8 tablets and wireless Internet service on board one of its Airbus A330 wide body aircraft, with the registration OH-LTT. Devices, which will be used on both scheduled and charter flights, will be placed in Business Class on scheduled flights and in Comfort Class on charter flights. The aircraft will come through New York's JFK International airport during the trial period.

Participating passengers will be offered an HP Windows 8 tablet loaded movies, TV shows, music and games. Additionally, the tablet includes wellness-related programs, such as a relaxation app to cope with time difference. Passengers will be asked to participate in a survey, and the information obtained will be used to develop Finnair's in-flight entertainment service concept.

Finnair's partners in this test include Nordkapp, which is responsible for the visual design of the tablet's user interface. OnAir provides satellite communications and the onboard Wi-Fi service (Internet OnAir) and Spafax the audio and video content.

Finnair is specialized in connections between Europe and Asia via Helsinki. The airline carries more than eight million passengers annually and connects 13 cities in Asia with more than 60 destinations in Europe. Finnair is a member of oneworld.

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