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Now Up For Sale: Finnair's First Flights With The Airbus A350 XWB

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Time to check the balance in the travel piggy bank, as Finnair just recently started selling seats aboard their brand new Airbus A350 XWB aircraft.

Finnair is the very first carrier over in Europe to score the keys to the new plane, and only the third airline in the world so far to gain access to all the new bells, whistles, switches, and controls. The tickets that are now available are for the launch route between Helsinki and Shanghai, as things are set to take to the skies October 25. After that, it'll be Beijing scoring a route to Finland, as the plans call for that option to start November 21,

The carrier isn't stopping with those two routes to China, as there are also plans to connect passengers to Bangkok aboard the new plane as well as Hong Kong and Singapore between late this year and early next year. If long haul isn't your thing, there are even some test routes beginning October 5, and those, too, are up for grabs - just watch for schedule changes and equipment swaps. Routes like Helsinki to London and Rovaniemi to Helsinki are just a couple of the options.

Passengers can expect the latest in new airplane smell along with plenty of other features. New goodies include things like panoramic windows, ambient LED lighting, WiFi access, new air filtration, and plenty of fully flat beds up front, complete with power outlets. The economy class cabin doesn't sound too bad, either, despite the slim-line seats and the 31-inch seat pitch, There are 11-inch, inflight entertainment screens, and USB outlets to keep your own goodies charged and ready to go.

Let us know if you'll be departing from Finland anytime soon, and if you're excited to experience the latest from Airbus and Finnair.

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