

## Press Release

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### Non-stop to Corsica: Germania launches Dresden-Bastia flights

**Now you can fly non-stop to Bastia for the first time in the history of Dresden Airport. A green-and-white Germania plane departed for the French port city on Saturday 19 May.**

Until the end of October, the airline will be flying to Corsica at 07:50 every Saturday and back to Dresden at 10:30 the same day. The journey time is just under 2 hours. To mark the maiden flight, the airport fire service gave it the traditional water fountain send-off and the crew members were presented with flowers and small gifts.

**Markus Kopp, CEO of Mitteldeutscher Flughafen AG and General Manager of Flughafen Dresden GmbH:**

“We have a choice of more than 40 destinations in our summer timetable – a record compared with previous years. In Bastia in Corsica, the fourth largest island in the Mediterranean, we now have another attractive holiday destination that has never been serviced from Dresden before. This port city is now quick and easy to reach with Germania. Up to 71 tourist flights a week are taking off from Dresden this summer. That is a significant rise on last summer’s 53.”

**Bastia – Corsica’s business centre**

Bastia lies on the north-eastern coast of Corsica at the foot of the Pigno mountain and is also a business centre, being home to the island’s largest port. The city is the ideal base for excursions into the mountains and also offers plenty of opportunities for water sports and diving. Immediately opposite the ferry port is Place Saint-Nicolas, where visitors can sit and relax in the cafés and restaurants and watch the ships come in. To the south lies the old town, Terra Vecchia, with its market square and steep alleys dotted with pretty little shops, bars and restaurants. Bastia’s most impressive baroque building, the church of Saint John the Baptist, is definitely worth a visit.

Tickets for flights from Dresden to Bastia start at €69 one way and can be booked online at [www.flygermania.com](http://www.flygermania.com), by phone on +49 (0)30 610 818 000

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(standard call rate from German landlines, mobile tariffs may differ) and at any travel agency. All prices quoted include taxes and charges and the statutory German air travel levy. Since January this year, Germania has been offering low-cost Rail&Fly tickets for the journey to and from the airport in collaboration with Deutsche Bahn.

### **Other new Germania flights from Dresden**

Germania's 2018 summer timetable features flights to a total of 21 destinations. New from Dresden are St. Petersburg (since 26 April), Barcelona and Thessaloniki (both since 1 May), Monastir (since 2 May), Athens (since 4 May) and Burgas (from 27 June).

**Germania** is an independent German airline which was established over 30 years ago. On short-haul and medium-haul flights the airline, with its distinctive green and white livery, carries more than 3 million passengers per year. Germania offers connections from 20 departure airports in Europe to over 55 destinations within the continent, North Africa and the Middle East. Reversing the common industry trend, Germania continues to offer complimentary snacks, soft drinks, magazines and a minimum of 20 kg free baggage allowance. Germania operates scheduled, charter and ad-hoc flights. Together with Bulgarian Eagle and the Swiss airline Germania Flug AG, Germania's fleet will include up to 36 aircraft by summer 2018. Germania Technik Brandenburg GmbH is responsible for the company's aircraft maintenance. [www.flygermania.com](http://www.flygermania.com)

**Flughafen Dresden GmbH** is a subsidiary of the Central German Airports Group with around 1.71 million passengers per year (2017).

Thanks to the direct access road from the A4 motorway, 3000 parking spaces right next to the terminal building and the S-Bahn station, passengers from Saxony, Southern Brandenburg, Northern Bohemia and Lower Silesia can get to the airport easily and comfortably.

Short and barrier-free routes are characteristic of the unique Dresden Airport Terminal, a former aviation industry hangar. Arrivals and Departures as well as service areas can all be found under one roof. It is also home to Dresden's biggest travel centre, the Gate 14 airport shop ([www.gate14.de](http://www.gate14.de)) and a conference and events centre with a panoramic view of aircraft on the apron. The customer service was awarded the "Service Quality in Germany" level II certificate by the Saxon Tourist Board.

For timetable, parking reservations and online travel agency go to [www.dresden-airport.de](http://www.dresden-airport.de).