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# Avelo Airlines Expands Lexington Service with A Third Popular Florida Destination: Fort Myers

Introductory low one-way fares to Florida's Gulf Coast start at \$59

**LEXINGTON, Ky.; Sept. 15, 2022** — Avelo Airlines announced today it is expanding service from Lexington, Kentucky with the addition of a third nonstop Florida route – Fort Myers. Avelo is the only airline offering the Bluegrass Region affordable, convenient and nonstop access into Fort Myers.

Introductory low one-way fares between Lexington's Blue Grass Airport (LEX) and Fort Myers' Southwest Florida International Airport (RSW) starting at \$59\* are available at <u>AveloAir.com</u>.

Avelo Airlines Chairman and CEO Andrew Levy said, "Lexington – we're at it again! The addition of Fort Myers to our LEX schedule makes visiting Florida even more affordable and convenient. Bluegrass residents can now choose from three sun-soaked nonstop destinations — Orlando, Tampa and Florida's majestic Southwest Gulf Coast. Say hello to quick, easy and cost-friendly hometown airport access to The Sunshine State when you travel with Avelo."

## **Exclusive Nonstop Service to Fun in the Sun**

Avelo is the only airline offering nonstop service from the Bluegrass Region to the most convenient airports in three of Florida's most popular destinations.

With today's addition of Fort Myers, Avelo now serves three popular Florida destinations nonstop from LEX. In July, Avelo announced its arrival at LEX with exclusive nonstop service to Orlando International Airport (MCO) beginning October 19 and Tampa International Airport (TPA) beginning on November 12.

**Blue Grass Airport President and CEO Eric Frankl** said, "Many in our community visit southwest Florida on a routine basis, so having an airline like Avelo with a large, comfortable aircraft and low fares that provides nonstop service to Fort Myers is awesome! We are very excited about this announcement and would like to thank Avelo Airlines for continuing to add flights for travelers from Lexington and the central Kentucky region."

Avelo will operate Boeing Next-Generation 737s on all its LEX routes. Avelo's seasonal service to RSW will operate twice weekly beginning November 18.

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Fort Myers (RSW)			
Effective: Nov. 18, 2022	LEX-RSW	7:20 p.m.	9:25 p.m.
Mondays and Fridays			
	RSW-LEX	4:25 p.m.	6:30 p.m.

### Lexington's Three Newest, Nonstop, Fun-in-the-Sun Destinations:

#### Fort Myers – Immerse Yourself in the Beauty of Florida's Gulf Coast

Nestled along Southwest Florida's clear turquoise Gulf waters is the town of Fort Myers. Good days come naturally here with Fort Myers' secluded white sand beaches and relaxing waterfront resorts that nurture a sense of casual sophistication. Visitors can sway from shopping Fort Myers' charming boutiques, to indulging in world-class dining, to enjoying a barefoot sunset stroll on the beach. It's been well over a century since Thomas Edison put down roots in "The City of Palms" — yet the community still generates an exciting energy that attracts visitors from around the world. Fort Myers promises endless ways to enjoy a romantic getaway or an activity-packed fun-in-the-sun family retreat.

#### **Orlando: Theme Park Capital of the World**

Wonder awaits in Orlando with endless excitement and unforgettable adventures. Whether it's a trip for families, couples, single travelers or a group of friends, Orlando is the perfect destination that ensures a memorable vacation filled with unique experiences for every visitor. While Orlando is known as the Theme Park Capital of the World for its incredible parks and attractions, there's so much more to enjoy. The destination is also home to sizzling nightlife and a vibrant entertainment scene, craft breweries, wineries, professional sports teams and so much more.

#### Tampa: The Heart of Florida's Gulf Coast

When it comes to Tampa Bay, picturesque scenery and 361 days of sunshine per year create an ideal setting for those ready to explore and discover new treasures. With some of the world's top-rated beaches, Tampa is a year-round haven for outdoor enthusiasts. Visitors can discover blue skies and sunshine, a sparkling waterfront, world-class chefs, family fun and a century of Cuban culture – all in one of Florida's most diverse travel destinations.

#### **America's Affordable and Convenient Airline**

Avelo was founded with a vision to help its Customers save money and time. Since taking flight April 28, 2021, Avelo has flown more than one million Customers on nearly 10,000 flights.

In addition to offering Customers everyday low fares on every route, Avelo Customers can always change or cancel their itineraries with no extra fees. Avelo also offers several unbundled travel-enhancing options that give Customers the flexibility to pay for what they value, including priority boarding, checked bags, carry-on overhead bags, and bringing a pet in the cabin.

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Additionally, the American-made Boeing 737 jets Avelo flies offer a more spacious and comfortable experience than the small regional aircraft currently operating at most of the airports Avelo serves. Customers who value an advance seat assignment can choose from several modestly priced seating options, including seats with extra leg room, as well as pre-reserved window and aisle seating. One third of seats on Avelo aircraft are available for Customers who appreciate the comfort of extra legroom.

Avelo now serves 31 destinations across the U.S. The airline has unlocked a new era of convenience, choice and competition in air travel by flying unserved routes to primarily underserved communities across the country. At least one airport on every Avelo flight is a small hometown airport – making every Avelo journey easier and more enjoyable.

At Avelo, every flight is also nonstop. This connection-free travel experience not only provides Avelo Customers with a faster and simpler travel experience, but also minimizes delays, cancellations and lost bags. In fact, Avelo has established itself as one of America's most reliable airlines with a year-to-date flight cancellation rate of 1% and a year-to-date checked bag handling performance rate of .09 mishandled bags per 100 bags.

Avelo is distinguished by its Soul of Service culture. The culture is grounded in Avelo's One Crew Value which promotes a welcoming and caring experience. By caring for one another and owning their commitments, Avelo Crewmembers focus on anticipating and understanding Customer needs on the ground and in the air.

#### **About Avelo Airlines**

Avelo Airlines was founded with a simple purpose — to *Inspire Travel*. The airline offers Customers time and money-saving convenience, low everyday fares, and a refreshingly smooth and caring experience through its Soul of Service culture. Operating a fleet of Boeing Next-Generation 737 aircraft, Avelo serves 31 popular destinations across the U.S., including its three bases at Los Angeles' Hollywood Burbank Airport (BUR), Southern Connecticut's Tweed-New Haven Airport (HVN) and Orlando International Airport (MCO). Avelo Airlines is also home to "Free Ticket Tuesdays" – to learn more, follow Avelo on <u>Instagram at @AveloAir</u>. For more information visit <u>AveloAir.com</u> or the Avelo Newsroom at <u>AveloAir.com/Newsroom</u>.

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\*One-way introductory fares include government taxes and fees. The very low one-way fares start at \$59 for travel booked by September 22, 2022, for travel completed by April 30, 2023. Fares are available on a limited number of flights and seats. Additional fees for carry-on and checked bags, assigned seats and other optional services may apply. A \$20 charge applies to all bookings or changes made through Avelo's Customer Support Center. For full terms and conditions, please see Avelo's <u>Contract of Carriage</u>.