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Spring Japan will launch a new route between Narita and Ningbo on 25 April, 2019!

～First International Route to Receive a New Airline Incentive “Morning Departures Bonus”～

Spring Japan will launch a new flight service between Narita - Ningbo on 25 April 2019. This will be the airline's 5th destination in China from Narita Airport alongside Wuhan, Chongqing, Tianjin and Harbin. It is the first international route to qualify for the new airline incentive “Morning Departures Bonus” introduced in April this year to encourage airline to use Narita Airport in off-peak hours.

Ningbo has been a lively port town handling overseas goods since ancient times and is a thriving commercial and industrial center. It has a long history with Japan and was the destination of the ancient Japanese envoys in the 7th century. During the Muromachi Period in Japan (14th–16th century), it was the center for licensed trade between Japan and Ming dynasty China. With an abundance of tourism resources, visitors can visit local shop for souvenir and eat around Nantang Old Street with its recreated 100-year old buildings or visit the many historical locations such as Tiantong Temple where the founder of the Rinza School of Zen Buddhism, Eisei, and the founder of the Soto School of Buddhism, Dogen, studied, and the Tianyi Pavilion, one of the oldest private libraries in China.

Narita Airport has an ongoing commitment to expanding and improving its destination network for the benefit of our valued customers. Please take advantage of Narita Airport's extensive network, now even more convenient with the new Spring Japan's Ningbo service.

Photo: Courtesy of Spring Japan



<Nantang Old Street>



<Ningbo Old Bund>



<The gardens of Tianyi Pavilion>

- Launch date : 25 April 2019
- Service : Narita - Ningbo (China)
- Terminal : Terminal 3
- Aircraft : B737-800 (seating: 189 total)
- Flight Schedule : Four flights a week (Tue, Thu, Fri, Sun)



Photo: Courtesy of Spring Japan

Flight No.	Origin	Departure Time	Destination	Arrival Time
IJ101	Tokyo/Narita (NRT)	8:30	Ningbo (NGB)	10:50
IJ102	Ningbo (NGB)	11:50	Tokyo/Narita (NRT)	15:50

* All times are local times

* Please be aware that schedules are subject to possible change.

Press Release - Spring Airlines Japan Co., Ltd.

SPRING JAPAN Announces Narita – Ningbo, Opening New Route ~ Expanding route network connecting to fast-growing China ~

- ➔ **First route to/from Narita airport, first regular flight from metropolitan Tokyo**
- ➔ **First international route to receive a new incentive “Morning departures bonus” from NAA**
- ➔ **Expanding network to achieve “expanding international business” as stated in the new medium-term management plan**
- ➔ **Flight operation from April 25 (Thu) with 4 flights per week**

Spring Airlines Japan Co., Ltd. (headquartered in Narita City, Chiba, Japan; President: Toshiyuki Kashiwara) is pleased to announce our Narita – Ningbo flight operation from Thursday, April 25 2019. Ningbo will be the 5th destination for SPRING JAPAN, and the international flights between Japan and China will expand to 50 flights per week, 25 roundtrips, after this new opening. In addition, Ningbo is the first destination from Narita International Airport, and it will be the first route to connect with metropolitan Tokyo. Tickets will be on sale from Wednesday, April 10 at 14:00. For details on fares and charges, please visit the SPRING JAPAN website.

Furthermore, the Narita - Ningbo route will be the first international application for the “Morning departures bonus”, an incentive system introduced by Narita International Airport (NAA) from this April. In order to promote usage of off-peak hours, we will continue to work with Narita International Airport to make maximum use of route expansion and additional flights. In addition, by increasing the operating rate of the aircraft, we will carry out the provision of air fares to customers at "affordable prices."

Ningbo is a sub-provincial city located in Zhejiang Province, China. It is a port city with a population of about 8.2 million^{*1}, and it is an economic center of Zhejiang Province, where commerce and industries are developing. The city is proud of an old history and has been designated as a National Historic Cultural City by the State Council of China. The international sports competition is scheduled to be held in Tokyo in 2020, and Ningbo can be expected as a region with a high potential demand for tourism to Japan. In addition, SPRING JAPAN will steadily promote a growth strategy based on the new medium-term management plan, focusing on international business, contribute to the promotion of human interaction and regional revitalization, and strive to further strengthen the friendship between the two countries.

SPRING JAPAN will continue to expand the international network to China and connect it to our further growth, while looking at customer convenience and market trends.

◆ Narita–Ningbo, Flight Schedule (April 25, 2019 ~ October 26 2019)

Narita (NRT) – Ningbo (NGB)				Ningbo (NGB) – Narita (NRT)			
FLT	DEP	ARR	Operation	FLT	DEP	ARR	Operation
IJ101	08:30	10:50	Tue, Thu, Fri, Sun	IJ102	11:50	15:50	Tue, Thu, Fri, Sun

Aircraft: B737-800 (189 seats)

Normal fare: ¥5,100~¥103,000 (JPY, tax included)

* The departure and arrival times are given in terms of the local time zone.

* All flights are subject to government approval.

* Published flight schedules are subject to change.

◆ Ningbo

Ningbo is a sub-provincial city of Zhejiang Province, located in the southeast of the Yangtze River Delta, China. A port city with a population of about 8.2 million^{*1} is the economic center of Zhejiang Province, where commerce and industry are developing. Ningbo was the Chinese foreign trade gateway in the era of Tang, Qin, Ming and Qing Dynasty, and the “Japan-Ming trade”, licensed trade between Japan and Ming-dynasty during the Muromachi period (14-16c.), was also centered around Ningbo, and there are many historical places to visit. In recent years, Ningbo is the first city in China to introduce AI (artificial intelligence) to the IT industry; it is also the designated city of “Made in China 2025”. The area is expected to have high potential demand of visitors to Japan, since the GDP per capita is high. (*1 Data from the Zhejiang Province Bureau of Statistics, 2018)



City of Ningbo



Tianyi Square



Tianyi Pavilion



Tianfeng Pagoda



City of Ningbo



Nantang Old Street

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About SPRING JAPAN

SPRING JAPAN was established in September 2012, funded by Chinese largest LCC, Spring Airlines Co., Ltd. to provide safe, secure and affordable prices to more passengers, under the management policy's 3S (Safety, Sincerity & Smile), which is our logo mark.

We fly maximum 18 flights everyday to 9 cities in Japan and China with 6 Boeing 737-800 aircrafts, based from Tokyo Narita Airport. SPRING JAPAN was awarded consecutive No.1 prize (2016,17) for domestic LCC by Oricon Japanese customer satisfaction survey. SPRING JAPAN wishes to be an LCC keeps on 'springing up' with customers. Not just a mere airline, but continues to evolve into an LCC that supports the creation of exciting, 'swinging' air travels.

