

## **Travel Tips for Private Fliers**



Chartering a <u>private jet</u> allows you the opportunity to experience the convenience, <u>timesaving</u>, <u>flexibility</u>, comfort and luxury not available on a commercial flight, even in first class. In this blog, we will outline the most important things to consider when flying on a private aircraft. We hope this will serve as a helpful resource for first-time private flyers and a good reminder to those of you who are private aviation veterans.

**1. Let the experts help you choose the right jet.** The <u>jet company</u> you choose to work with will be your best and most valuable resource in this instance. You provide them with the details of the trip (i.e. your flight plan, number of passengers, baggage you will be bringing, amenities you would prefer, and any other needs you would like met) and they should be able to give you several <u>jet options</u> that will suit those needs and wants.

- **2. Learn how private charter can save you valuable time and therefore money.** While private jets do not generally travel at faster speeds than commercial airliners, a private flight is undoubtedly faster. This is due to may factors including: more direct routes, less time waiting on the tarmac, easier check-in procedures, no baggage x-rays, security procedures or baggage pickup, car drop off and pickup on the tarmac, and access to private airport terminals that help avoid crowds that can cause additional delays.
- **3. Safety procedures.** All pilots are required to follow the precise policies mandated by the FAR Part 135 regulations, which also require them to follow a training program approved by the FAA. The program must include recurrent air, ground and emergency training at a Part 142 approved facility. In addition, insurance regulations require <u>flight simulator training</u> at a Part 142 approved facility. All aircraft are operated by select air carriers that a) have been certified under Part 135 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR); and b) meet the strict standards for safety, administered through a strategic alliance with Aviation Research Group/U.S. (ARG/US) and other independent auditors.
- 4. Once you have chosen your jet company, keep the following in mind...
  - Communicate your needs. Whether your concerns pertain to the <u>aircraft</u>, <u>pilots</u>, crew, <u>FBO</u>, or your trip details, communicate your needs. It is also wise to ask for recommendations if you are unsure of the options available to you. Do you need a certain type of aircraft due to passenger count, range or <u>baggage</u>? Would Wi-Fi be helpful? Will you be traveling with your <u>pet(s)</u>? Do you need car service or specific catering due to dietary needs? Communicate your destination address so the closest airport can be determined.
  - Advanced booking is recommended. While many jet companies can arrange last minute flights, it is in your best interest to plan in advance whenever possible to give you more options in the booking process. Availability is strongly subject to how far in advance your trip is booked. Get the exact aircraft you want/need before someone else books it. We recommend a lead-time of 1-2 weeks to have your choice of aircraft. During peak travel seasons and holidays however, booking a month or two in advance is advised.
  - **Know who to call for assistance.** At <u>FlyPrivate</u>, our Client Services team is happy to assist you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. With over 14 years of

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