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WestJet Suspends Transatlantic Flights

From Halifax To Europe

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USPA NEWS - WestJet has announced that transatlantic routes between Halifax and Europe are being suspended for the summer of 2023.

In a statement this past Monday, John Weatherill, WestJet's executive vice-president and chief commercial officer, said "Halifax remains an integral part of the airline's network. As we continue to responsibly balance our schedule alongside operational requirements, capacity constraints and the deployment of our aircraft across Canada, we are making these difficult decisions now to enable us to re-position our investments to best serve the province for years to come."

A spokesperson for the Halifax Stanfield International Airport expressed disappointment in WestJets decision, but understands the capacity challenges and stressed that it was not a lack of interest in servicing the Atlantic region.

WestJet had been providing direct service to London, Dublin, Glasgow and Paris.
WestJet says tickets for these routes have not been available for sale for the summer of 2023.

The airline has indicated that the suspension of transatlantic service between Halifax and Europe is intended to be temporary and the decision will be re-evaluated in 2024.

Passengers who wish to travel to Europe from Atlantic Canada still have several options available at Halifax Stanfield International Airport.
Air Canada offers year-round daily non-stop flights to London Heathrow which is the largest hub in the United Kingdom.
USPA News has also learned that Condor Airlines and Eurowings Discover will operate direct flights between Halifax and Frankfurt, Germany for the 2023 summer season.

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