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#### **UGANDA AIRLINES**



Uganda is called 'the Pearl of Africa' for good reason: it offers incomparable wildlife and nature experiences at the source of the Nile River, gorillas, a thriving conference and events industry, good infrastructure, and a reputation for warm and professional hospitality. This month's featured airline, Uganda Airlines (UR) is the only airline offering direct flights between South Africa and Entebbe (EBB), a municipality an hour from the center of the capital, Kampala. With daily flights ex-JNB, agents can book convenient connections to places like Mumbai, Lagos and Juba. UR also flies to the popular island of Zanzibar.

### Fly the Crane to the Pearl of Africa



**MUMBAI** 





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АН	124	Air Algérie
НС	490	Air Senegal
RN	507	Eswatini Air
TM	068	LAM Mozambique Airlines
UR	109	Uganda Airlines
ZN	138	Zambia Airways

#### **AGENT'S CORNER**

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**



 South African passport holders who travel with UR can get visas on arrival. NB: this only applies if customers travel with UR. It does not apply to pax flying into Entebbe on a non-direct/connecting carrier. The passenger must apply for their e-visa online before travel and pay US\$69. Click for more tips

### **WE ARE AIRLINEPROS!**

2023 was a landmark year for Uganda Airlines, and we had fun celebrating the launch of the airline's new flights from Entebbe to Mumbai and Lagos. From late October, UR increased the number of flights between Uganda and South Africa to seven flights per week - a daily service!



Pictured: Achma Asokan Foster, AirlinePros International Group CEO (left) and Jenifer Bamuturaki, CEO of Uganda Airlines, on the sidelines of the African Airlines Association (AFRAA) annual general assembly, held in Uganda in November 2023.

best highlights flying alongside Uganda Airlines in 2023!

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represent Uganda Airlines in several countries including the USA. My relationship with 'the Pearl of Africa' goes back a long way when we represented Air Uganda in the USA. It was there I met Jenifer (Bamuturaki, CEO of Uganda Airlines) for the first time. It is really inspiring to see the growth and success she has achieved over the years, through all the challenges and triumphs, of aviation in Uganda. I wish Jenifer and Uganda Airlines every success in the future."

Achma Asokan Foster, Group CEO, said: "AirlinePros is honoured to



# **NEWS AND EVENTS**

## UR's top supporters thanked at embassy event

In a bid to strengthen partnerships and promote Uganda's tourism potential, the Uganda High Commission, in partnership with Uganda Airlines and the AirlinePros Johannesburg office, brought together leaders from the Gauteng Tourism Board and various tour and travel brands for a year-end appreciation event. Barrick Gold Corporation, Flight Centre, TWF, Kelker Travel, Abiah Travel and Cargo Agency, and Satguru Travel were recognised with certificates of appreciation, presented by the High Commissioner in Pretoria, Paul Omiat Amoru.



Pictured above, left: Jacinta Opany-Agbara, owner of the Abiah Travel and Cargo Agency. and Karin Matodes, CCO AirlinePros SA.



Travel; and Karin Matodes.



From L to R: Paul Amoru, High Commissioner of Above: Representatives from Uganda's High Commission and AirlinePros International's Uganda; Idris Mohamed, Manager of Kelker commercial team celebrate a landmark year for Uganda Airlines and the destination in 2023.

## Uganda diaspora community gathers in SA



Uganda continues to be a sought-after destination for business and VFR travellers. However, officials are also keen to leverage the significant number of South Africans of Ugandan Origin living locally.

'Convention of the Ugandan Diaspora in southern Africa' event.

In November 2023, the Uganda High Commission and Uganda Airlines both participated in the first

More than 500 people were due to attend, while the programme looked to promote investment opportunities and create awareness about the extent of the Uganda diaspora in southern Africa.

# **QUIZ WINNER**

Congratulations to Hilary Viljoen, Business Service Administrator at Thompsons! Hilary wins a R300 Takealot voucher for sending us the correct answer: Air Algérie does not permit any name changes.



# WIN A GIFT VOUCHER

What two new international routes did UR open in 2023?

Clue: We visit both destinations in this month's AirBorne destination spotlight! See above.

> Please send your answer and agency details to AirBorne@AirlinePros.com

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