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SOUTHWEST AIRLINES ADDS NONSTOP FLIGHTS FROM MKE TO DESTIN, FLORIDA
Also extends existing nonstop service to Fort Lauderdale and Sarasota/Bradenton

MILWAUKEE (March 30, 2021) – Building on its success serving leisure travelers from Milwaukee, Southwest Airlines is adding new nonstop service from Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport (MKE) to **Destin – Fort Walton Beach Airport (VPS)** this summer. The new flights will be offered every Saturday from June 12 through August 14 and feature free checked bags and no change fees. Tickets are available for purchase now at southwest.com.

Southwest has also announced that its new service from MKE to **Sarasota/Bradenton (SRQ)**, announced earlier this month, originally scheduled to operate on Saturdays through May 8, will be extended through August 14.

In addition, Southwest's Saturday-only **Fort Lauderdale (FLL)** service is being converted to daily nonstops beginning April 12, including two nonstops on Saturdays, through June 5. The Saturday flights to FLL will continue through August 14. Southwest is also increasing flight frequencies on several existing daily nonstop routes from MKE, including Fort Myers, Orlando, Phoenix, and Tampa beginning April 12.

“Wisconsin has never had nonstop flights to Destin prior to this announcement, so this new route is a great opportunity for Wisconsin travelers,” said Airport Director Brian Dranzik. “These new flight additions from Southwest show how important it is for Wisconsin travelers to choose MKE. Airlines respond to demand from travelers, so the more we all book tickets from our hometown airport, the more service like this we will get.”

With today's announcement, Southwest Airlines serves six Florida cities nonstop from MKE.

MKE currently offers nonstop flights to 35+ destinations coast-to-coast, and more than 200 international destinations are available with just one connection. MKE is served by Air Canada, Alaska, American, Delta, Frontier, Southwest, Spirit, and United. The complete list of nonstop cities can be found at mitchellairport.com.

Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport is owned by Milwaukee County and operated by the Department of Transportation, Airport Division, under the policy direction of the Milwaukee County Executive and the County Board of Supervisors. The Airport is entirely funded by user fees; no property tax dollars are used for the Airport's capital improvements or for its day-to-day operation.