## US Airways to fly direct to Philly from Edinburgh

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The first direct service between Edinburgh and Philadelphia will launch in May 2014 with US Airways, further improving Scotland's connections with North America.

Scottish and American passengers will be able to take full advantage of the new service with daily flights between the two cities run between 23 May and 01 October. US Airways, which flies to over 230 worldwide destinations, will operate flights on 176-seat dual-class Boeing 757 aircraft.

Gordon Dewar, Chief Executive at Edinburgh Airport, said:"This is another great result for Edinburgh and one which will
see our American route network grow considerably, following
the recent announcement that United will operate a direct
Chicago service from May.

"Next summer will be a hugely exciting time with the Ryder Cup and Year of Homecoming to look forward to. We're pleased to be working with US Airways and allowing more American passengers to experience all that Scotland has to offer. Scots will also have the chance to visit this amazing city and the added opportunity to travel onwards to destinations like Las Vegas, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Hawaii.

"This is not just an achievement for Edinburgh Airport but for the wider city and we're delighted to be able to share our success with our partners."

Colin Keir MSP for Edinburgh Western welcomed the news that Edinburgh Airport and US Airways are launching the direct

## flights.

Commenting on the announcement Colin Keir MSP said:- 'This is great news for Edinburgh and the Airport. Adding another direct flight to the US from Edinburgh is good news for passengers and the Edinburgh economy. It's a brilliant achievement by the airport to attract US Airways and underlines the success of Edinburgh Airport.'