



## GO ISLAND HOPPING ACROSS THE PACIFIC WITH THE STAR ALLIANCE MICRONESIA AIRPASS

**Frankfurt, GERMANY – April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011** – Star Alliance, the way the Earth connects, has added a further fare product for customers to explore additional islands in the Pacific Ocean. With the Micronesia Airpass, passengers can purchase up to 10 flights on the Continental Airlines and United network across Micronesia, all in a single ticket at an attractive price. Travel on the Micronesia Airpass can commence from any Star Alliance destination in Japan, as well as from Cairns, Guam, Hong Kong, Manila, Nadi, Palau or Saipan and is available only in conjunction with an international Star Alliance flight into any of these destinations.

Micronesia consists of more than 2000 islands scattered across the North Pacific and is an ideal location for many types of water sports, such as scuba diving, surfing, kayaking or fishing. Star Alliance member carriers Continental Airlines and United offer the most comprehensive airline network in Micronesia. In addition to Guam, customers can choose to travel to: Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei, and Yap in the Federated States of Micronesia; Kwajalein Atoll and Majuro in the Marshall Islands; Rota and Saipan in the Northern Mariana Islands as well as Palau.

Christopher Korenke, Vice President Commercial, Star Alliance said: "The Micronesia Airpass again demonstrates the benefits only an airline alliance can provide. Travellers visiting Micronesia in the past had limited choice of air travel and had to purchase separate tickets on different airlines to get to this part of the world. Through the Star Alliance network, passengers can now travel on any of the member carriers serving the designated gateways and connect to the Continental Airlines and United network in Micronesia, all at excellent value for money."

Fares are set according to booking class and distance travelled, starting at US\$ 75\* for flights up to 150 miles and rising to US\$ 375\* for flights covering between 2001 and 2250 miles. Itineraries can cover economy class travel of up to three months, must comprise at least three flights and need to include at least two 24 hour stops at different destinations.

Customers interested in purchasing a Micronesia Airpass should contact any Star Alliance member carrier or their travel agent. Further information can also be found on [www.staralliance.com](http://www.staralliance.com)

In addition to the Micronesia Airpass, customers can travel to further destinations in and around the Pacific using either the Star Alliance Round-the-World fare, the Circle Pacific Fare, the Asia Airpass or the South Pacific Airpass. In total, Star Alliance now offers 15 different fare products world-wide.

\* taxes, fees and surcharges not included

#### Overview of Star Alliance Micronesia Airpass Fare levels:

MILEAGE ZONE	MIN MILES	MAX MILES	ECONOMY BOOKING CLASS Q FARE IN US\$*	ECONOMY BOOKING CLASS V FARE IN US\$*
1	0	150	75	100
2	151	250	100	125
3	251	500	125	150
4	501	750	175	225
5	751	1000	200	250
6	1001	1250	225	275
7	1251	1500	250	300
8	1501	1750	275	375
9	1751	2000	300	350
10	2001	2250	325	375

#### Sample itinerary:

From	To	Price in US\$
Tokyo	Guam	275
Guam	Yap	175
Yap	Chuuk via Guam	350
Chuuk	Saipan via Guam	250
Saipan	Tokyo via Guam	350
Taxes, fees, surcharges#		333
Total price		1,733

# taxes, fees, surcharges correct as of April 2011 for point of sale Tokyo

#### About Star Alliance:

The Star Alliance network was established in 1997 as the first truly global airline alliance to offer worldwide reach, recognition and seamless service to the international traveller. Its acceptance by the market has been recognised by numerous awards, including the Air Transport World Market Leadership Award, Best Airline Alliance by both Business Traveller Magazine and Skytrax. The member airlines are: Adria Airways, Aegean Airlines, Air Canada, Air China, Air New Zealand, ANA, Asiana Airlines, Austrian, Blue1, bmi, Brussels Airlines, Continental Airlines, Croatia Airlines, EGYPTAIR, LOT Polish Airlines, Lufthansa, Scandinavian Airlines, Singapore Airlines, South African Airways, Spanair, SWISS, TAM Airlines, TAP Portugal, Turkish Airlines, THAI, United and US Airways. Air India, Avianca-TACA, Copa Airlines and Ethiopian Airlines have been announced as future members. Overall, the Star Alliance network offers 21,000 daily flights to 1,160 airports in 181 countries.

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