

# Unlock the Power of Air Canada Status & Aeroplan

- Travel better, faster, and in style — with Canada's most valuable airline loyalty program.

# What is Aeroplan?

- - Air Canada's loyalty program for earning and redeeming points.
- - Use points for flights, upgrades, hotels, car rentals, and more.
- - Access to over 45 airline partners including Star Alliance.
- - Aeroplan points never expire as long as you have activity every 18 months.

# How to Earn Aeroplan Points

- - Fly with Air Canada or partner airlines
- - Use Aeroplan-affiliated credit cards (Amex, TD, CIBC)
- - Shop through the Aeroplan eStore
- - Book hotels, car rentals, and travel packages
- - Everyday partners: Uber, Starbucks, LCBO, etc.

# Aeroplan Elite Status: The Basics

- - Elite Status is separate from Aeroplan points — it's based on your flight activity.
- - Status levels: 25K, 35K, 50K, 75K, Super Elite
- - Earn via Status Qualifying Miles (SQM), Segments (SQS), and Dollars (SQD)

# How to Qualify for Status (2025)

- - 25K: 25,000 SQM or 25 SQS + \$3,000 SQD
- - 35K: 35,000 SQM or 35 SQS + \$4,000 SQD
- - 50K: 50,000 SQM or 50 SQS + \$6,000 SQD
- - 75K: 75,000 SQM or 75 SQS + \$9,000 SQD
- - Super Elite: 100,000 SQM or 95 SQS + \$20,000 SQD

# Why Aim for Elite Status?

- - Priority check-in, security, and boarding
- - Free baggage allowance and upgrades
- - Maple Leaf Lounge access (starting at 35K)
- - eUpgrade credits to upgrade economy to business
- - Status Passes to share perks with friends & family

# Credit Cards That Help You Qualify Faster

- - TD Aeroplan Visa Infinite Privilege
- - CIBC Aeroplan Visa Infinite Privilege
- - American Express Aeroplan Reserve Card
- - These offer: Status Qualifying Miles boosts, priority perks, lounge access

# Best Ways to Redeem Aeroplan Points

- - Long-haul business class flights: best value
- - Exploit stopover options: add one for 5,000 points
- - Book with Star Alliance partners (e.g., Lufthansa, ANA)
- - Avoid dynamic pricing on popular Air Canada routes

# Tips to Maximize Aeroplan & Status

- - Combine Aeroplan points with Elite Status for upgrades
- - Use eUpgrades + points for lower-cost business class
- - Take advantage of Status Pass for family travel
- - Watch for transfer bonuses from Amex, RBC, etc.

# Take Your Travel to the Next Level

- - Elite Status is more than just perks — it's a lifestyle upgrade.
- - Aeroplan lets you stretch your travel budget much further.
- - With the right strategy, you can fly farther and better — for less!

# Aeroplane Sweet Spots: Fly Luxuriously with Fewer Points

- Unlock incredible value by using Aeroplane points strategically on premium airlines — especially Singapore Airlines, Lufthansa, Emirates (via Etihad), and Etihad Airways.

# How Aeroplan Pricing Works

- - Distance-based award chart
- - Partner awards are fixed (vs. dynamic pricing on Air Canada)
- - Stopovers: Add one for just 5,000 points
- - Points + Cash and eUpgrades also available for Air Canada metal

# SG Singapore Airlines with Aeroplan

- - Routes: SFO–SIN, LAX–SIN, YVR–SIN (via partner hops)
- - Bookable cabins: Economy and Business (First is not available)
- - Business Class from North America to Southeast Asia:
  - ≈ 87,500–105,000 points one-way
- - Renowned for world-class service and product
- - Use Aeroplan to access award space not offered to other partners

# LH Lufthansa with Aeroplan

- - Routes: FRA/MUC to North America, Asia, Middle East
- - Bookable cabins: Economy, Premium, Business, First Class
- - First Class available only ~14 days before departure
- - Business Class to Europe:
  - ≈ 60,000–70,000 points one-way
- - First Class to Europe:
  - ≈ 100,000–110,000 points
- - Great availability and a premium experience (FCT in Frankfurt!)

# EK Emirates via Aeroplan (Etihad Partnership)

- - Aeroplan does **\*\*not\*\*** directly partner with Emirates
- - Fly to Dubai using Etihad Airways (AUH stop)
- - Business Class North America to Middle East:
  - $\approx$  85,000–105,000 points
- - Add Dubai stopover for 5,000 pts
- - Etihad's Business Studio is competitive with Emirates Business Class

# EF Etihad Airways with Aeroplan

- - Routes: AUH to North America, Asia, Europe
- - Business Class from JFK, ORD, IAD to AUH:
  - $\approx$  85,000–100,000 pts
- - Incredible service, Qsuite-like Business Studio
- - Use stopovers (e.g., AUH + Asia) to add value
- - Rarely high taxes — great for redemptions

# Stacking Sweet Spots

- - Use stopover in Europe en route to Asia (Lufthansa + Singapore)
- - Fly Etihad to Asia with Middle East stopover
- - Position to JFK, EWR or BOS for lower points cost
- - Pair Aeroplan redemption with credit card transfer bonuses

# Tips to Book Successfully

- Book as far ahead as possible (up to 355 days)
- Monitor for last-minute Lufthansa First or business Class seats
- Be flexible with departure airports and dates
- Set alerts or write monitoring software

# Maximize Value, Fly Better

- - With Aeroplan, dream airlines like Singapore, Lufthansa, and Etihad are within reach
- - Plan ahead, use stopovers, and stay strategic
- - Upgrade your travel — without paying cash prices

# Around-the-World Trips with Aeroplan

- - Aeroplan's distance-based chart + stopovers allow global itineraries
- - Include up to 6 flight segments and 1 stopover per direction (5,000 points each)
- - Visit multiple continents on one award ticket
- - Example: Toronto – Zurich – Singapore – Tokyo – Vancouver

# How to Plan a Mini Round-the-World Itinerary

- - Start by mapping out desired regions (e.g., Europe, Asia, Middle East)
- - Choose long-haul legs on premium partners like Lufthansa, Singapore, Etihad
- - Use stopovers in cities like Frankfurt, Singapore, Abu Dhabi
- - Watch the total mileage band to stay within a single points zone

# Using Priority Rewards to Supercharge Redemptions

- - Priority Rewards = 50% off flight rewards in eligible classes/routes
- - Earned by reaching SQD thresholds (starting at \$4,000 SQD)
- - 4 vouchers per qualifying tier, up to 8 per year
- - Use on business class long-haul flights for maximum value

# Priority Reward Examples

- - JFK–Abu Dhabi (Etihad Business Class):
  - Normally 90,000 → 45,000 points
- - Toronto–Zurich–Singapore (Lufthansa + SQ):
  - Normally 105,000 → 52,500 points
- - Combine Priority Rewards + Stopovers + Sweet Spots = ultimate value!

# Around the World Sample

Aeroplan Round-the-World Sample Itinerary

