



LEAVES ARE RUSTLING

So AVL will be bustling

Leaf-peeping season is upon us, and so is one of the busiest air travel months for AVL. October means pumpkin spice, colorful foliage, cool and crisp weather ... and lots of people at the airport.

If you are planning to fly to or from AVL in October:

1. **ALWAYS arrive at least two hours before your flight** to allow time to park, possibly shuttle to the terminal (you may have to park in a remote lot), check in, go through security, and get to your gate.
2. **Be ready for traffic on the way to the airport.** Not only is the airport full this time of year – so is western North Carolina (for good reason)!
3. **Make your ground transportation plans (for after you land) PRIOR to your trip.** This means book a rental car, ride app service, taxi, private car or shuttle ahead of time. Demand for these services increases this time of year, and with a little planning, you may avoid a wait.
4. **Be sure to book a window seat.** Peep out your window – the fall color from the skies is sure to be stunning.

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DELTA IS GROWING SERVICE

More seats and more flights

Delta Air Lines has made some changes to their flight schedules to and from AVL. Starting in November, a sixth daily Atlanta flight will be offered. Also, larger aircraft will be used to serve nonstop Minneapolis-St. Paul in November and December.

Holiday travel is nearly here – now's the time to book!



NONSTOP TO PHILLY ON AMERICAN

Extended through the end of November

American Airlines serves nine nonstop destinations from AVL, including a seasonal nonstop daily service to Philadelphia. Great news! American updated their schedule and extended their Philadelphia season through the end of November.

There's still time to book a trip and grab an authentic Philly cheese steak!



FIRST TIME FLYING?

Have no fear as you take to the sky

We've all heard that flying on a plane is statistically safer than driving (and yes—it's true). However, all the data in the world may be meaningless when you find yourself cruising at over 30,000 feet in the air at 500 miles per hour in a big, pressurized metal object. It's normal to be nervous before flying for the first time, especially when you're not informed about how safe, easy and fun the experience can be. Like many things in life, knowing what to expect can help relieve your anxieties when it comes to flying for the first time.

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MUSIC IN THE AIRPORT

Local musicians create great music for travelers

While standing in line at the TSA checkpoint there's a good chance that you will hear piano music. Thanks to the Music in the Airport program, local musicians are able to volunteer their time to provide live music for those traveling through AVL.

The piano, located next to the TSA checkpoint in the terminal, is an excellent central location for the musicians to play for the enjoyment of passengers.

The program offers the musicians the opportunity to earn tips and gain exposure. Plus, they use the time to practice their skills and engage with passengers as they play. Passengers enjoy hearing the music these musicians create and supporting local artists.

Currently there are five musicians in the program that play for two hour time blocks. There is potential for this program to grow in the future and provide even more music for busy travelers. So next time you travel through AVL, keep your ears open for the sounds of piano music!

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