
Emirates' new lounge concept takes flight

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Emirates' newly revamped A380 Onboard Lounge made its operational debut on a flight to Kuala Lumpur today, marking the ninth anniversary of the airline's A380 service.

The latest makeover of the lounge, inspired by private yacht cabins, features a more intimate and social area. The exclusive lounge accommodates 26 passengers. The six wines on offer differ by destination but a Champagne offering of Moët & Chandon or Veuve Clicquot is always available.

Emirates has more 6,000 crew trained as mixologists who can whip up 14 cocktails such as its signature Bloody Mary or a non-alcoholic Apple Spritzer. The lounge stocks Hennessy XO Cognac and Chivas Regal 18-year-old Scotch Whisky. It also serves over 18 different bar snacks, the most popular of which are the smoked salmon bagels and fresh fruit skewers.

The menu also includes Illy coffee and several varieties of tea from Dilmah. At the back of the lounge, a 55-inch LCD screen gives customers the latest flight information, or live TV broadcasts of the latest news or sports updates. Emirates has also recently expanded its Wi-Fi offering to give patrons of the lounge who are Emirates Skywards members free Wi-Fi throughout their flight.

Emirates flies the A380 to 48 cities on 6 continents. The latest cities to join the A380 network this year are Sao Paulo, Casablanca and Nice.