



Access to Narita Airport

Rail Access

A new rail route, Narita Sky Access, linking central Tokyo and Narita Airport with a new model Skyliner in just 36 minutes, opened on 17 July 2010. This dramatically cut the traveling time to the airport.

With the opening of this new line, there are now three rail routes from central Tokyo to Narita Airport. On the Keisei route, there are two lines: the existing Keisei main line and the Narita Sky Access line. In addition to that are the Narita Express (NEX) and other services on the JR route. A new model Skyliner carriage was introduced into service with the opening of Narita Sky Access. This new train travels at a speed of 160 km/h, the

fastest train in Japan other than the Shinkansen bullet train. This has effectively reduced the minimum traveling time from central Tokyo to Narita Airport from 51 to 36 minutes a significant reduction of 15 minutes. Airport access at Narita is now just as convenient as at any other major airport in the world. Travel convenience has also greatly improved on the Keisei route with 9 trains an hour arriving at Narita during peak periods (3 Skyliners, 3 Access Express trains and three limited express trains on the Keisei Main Line). Rail access from central Tokyo to the airport is now fast and frequent and plans are underway to increase transport capacity as demand for air travel increases in the future.

Expressway Buses & Taxis

In addition to rail, expressway buses and taxis link Narita Airport with the center of Tokyo. The expressway buses provide a direct link between Narita Airport and Haneda Airport as well as the major railway stations and hotels in Tokyo. Traveling between Tokyo Station and Narita Airport, for example, takes just 60 minutes with no transfers needed. This is just as convenient as rail access.

The transport network also extends beyond central Tokyo to destinations in Chiba prefecture as well as Ibaraki, Tochigi, Gunma, Saitama, Kanagawa, Yamanashi, Shizuoka, Fukushima, Miyagi, Osaka and Kyoto.

Starting from summer 2012, with the commencement of early morning flights, there are more buses

arriving at Narita before 6:00 a.m. Expressway buses link Narita Airport with major stations such as Ikebukuro, Shinjuku and Shinagawa, as well as urban areas both in and outside of Chiba prefecture. There has also been an rapid increase in buses which have launched low-fare services and there is an increasing number of routes being operated.

These routes will continue to expand as demand grows for early morning buses by early morning flight users and promise to provide more convenient access for users.

Taxi services include standard taxis and fixed fare taxis. Fixed fare taxis carry passengers for predetermined fares to specific zones in Tokyo. Because the cost is known in advance, it is reassuring to customers.

