

A whole new way to fly

A look inside the new 747-8 Intercontinental

Boeing Commercial Airplanes showcased the new interior of the 747-8 Intercontinental recently, unveiling the airplane's two-story sales display. The display is housed at the Customer Experience Center in Renton, Wash.

The 747-8 interior applies features from the 787 Dreamliner. It includes a new curved, upswept architecture—giving passengers a greater feeling of space and comfort, while adding more room for personal belongings. The interior architecture is accentuated by new lighting technology that creates a perception of airy brightness and provides smooth lighting transitions to offer a more restful environment.

“By incorporating 787-style interior features, the new 747-8 Intercontinental will provide a significantly enhanced passenger experience,” said Dan Mooney, vice president, 747/747-8 Program. “Passengers will know they are on a brand new airplane the moment they step on board the 747-8—and will experience a whole new way to fly.”

Here's a look at some of the interior features of the 747-8. ■

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Above: The 747-8 Intercontinental features windows that are larger than those in today's airplanes.





Among the 747-8 Intercontinental's interior features shown in the photo below: an advanced lighting system, designed to contribute to the overall sense of calm and restfulness; sculpted ceilings; and a sweeping staircase that leads to the upper deck.

Top left: The bidirectional latches on the overhead bins open with a push or a pull. Also, the bins are big enough to hold items for every passenger in each row; that makes boarding and deboarding less stressful.

Top right: The smooth ceilings and curved lines in the upper deck are intended to create a sense of soothing calm as well as an intimate atmosphere.



Above: The new 747-8 design features unique "islands"—casual gathering areas intended to give passengers a place to visit when they stretch their legs.