

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

# BermudAir Service between Rhode Island T. F. Green International Airport (PVD) and Bermuda L.F. Wade International Airport (BDA)

# About BermudAir

<u>BermudAir</u> is a premium airline dedicated to providing passengers with an elevated travel experience. Founded by chief executive officer <u>Adam Scott</u>, BermudAir offers frequent year-round service between Bermuda and the East Coast of the United States and Canada.

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Flights are expected to be operated on Embraer 175 twin-engine jets, which offer 70 coach and business seats in a 2/2 configuration with no middle seats. The Embraer E175 aircraft, renowned for its exceptional performance and passenger comfort, offers a perfect blend of sophistication and functionality, providing a superior travel experience to passengers. BermudAir will also soon integrate two new, larger Embraer E190 aircraft, providing seating for 96 coach and business seats in a 2/2 configuration. In addition, travelers can enjoy BermudAir's signature in-flight service, with complimentary Bermuda-sourced beverages and snacks available to all guests.



Bermudair Embraer E-175 aircraft. Credit: Bermudair

## CBP Preclearance for Bermuda flights will save travelers valuable time.

Travelers bound for PVD on BermudAir flights from <u>Bermuda's L.F. Wade International Airport</u> (BDA) will screened under the U. S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) <u>Preclearance</u> program.

Preclearance is a joint program between the Transportation Security Agency and Customs and Border Protection (CBP) that allows passengers to undergo full U.S. immigration and customs processing and TSA-comparable passenger screening at a foreign airport before traveling to the U.S., saving valuable time as they proceed to connecting flights or their destination. BDA also recently became the first so-called Preclearance airport outside of Canada recognized under the <u>No-Hassle Flying Act</u>, allowing checked baggage to bypass rescreening when it gets to the states from airports recognized under the No-Hassle Flying Act.

## Rhode Island Airport Corporation prepared for increased international travel.

PVD offers an international customs facility that is fully staffed by CBP personnel. Although the airport has served regularly scheduled and charter international service over the past several years, airport personnel are prepared to welcome the expansion of international travel at PVD, such as that has been frequently <u>promoted</u> by Breeze CEO David Neeleman. Most recently, Mr. Neeleman stated that he <u>expects</u> Federal Aviation Administration approvals to begin international routes by the end of March.



### BermudAir is an Autism Double-Checked Partner

Like Rhode Island T. F. Green International Airport, BermudAir has partnered with <u>Autism-Double</u> <u>Checked</u> and is pleased to support those who identify with the autism community and their families by fostering an inclusive and welcoming environment for all. All BermudAir staff have successfully completed specialized training to accommodate the unique needs of travelers on the autism spectrum, making their journey between PVD and Bermuda as smooth and stress-free as possible.

### Rhode Island ties with Bermuda.

Rhode Island has well-established connections with Bermuda, including the acclaimed bi-annual Newport Bermuda Race, URI's Marine Biology Semester in Bermuda Program, and the Rhode Island Football Club's continued pre-season exhibition schedule each February.

### Newport Bermuda Race

Organized by the Bermuda Race Foundation, the 636-mile biennial <u>Newport Bermuda Race</u> is the oldest regularly scheduled ocean race and one of the very few international distance races. The Bermuda Race is one of just two of the world's regularly scheduled races held almost entirely out of sight of land. Founded in 1906, the 54th running of the Bermuda Race is scheduled for June 2026, with the race start held just off the shoreline, allowing for public viewing at Fort Adams State Park. The race is particularly popular among current and retired members of the <u>United States Coast</u> <u>Guard</u>, who regularly make up significant portions of the participants.

### University of Rhode Island, Marine Biology Fall Semester in Bermuda

The University of Rhode Island has also established connections with Bermuda, offering a <u>semester</u> <u>abroad program in Bermuda each Fall</u>. The immersion program includes the study of marine science in the setting of an active tropical oceanographic research laboratory at the Bermuda Institute of Ocean Sciences (BIOS) in St. George's, Bermuda.

## **RIFC Continues Pre-season in Bermuda**

Since its inception in 2024, <u>Rhode Island Football Club</u>, led by Bermuda native Khano Smith, has participated in a pre-season tournament hosted by the Bermuda Football Association (BFA.) For the past two seasons, the BFA has hosted a three-club, round-robin style pre-season tournament featuring RIFC each February. In future years, fans of RIFC will have the opportunity to follow the team as they compete in the tournament held at the Bermuda National Sports Centre in Devonshire, Bermuda.

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