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Flying despite Corona: These are the safest airlines in Europe

"Safe Travel Barometer" examined airlines across Europe for their safety and hygiene standards in the corona pandemic. Above all, Lufthansa comes with the protective measures and the travel comfort.

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Air travel in Corona times - this is currently not undisputed because of the risk of contracting Covid-19. However, there are some airlines that are less likely to contract the novel coronavirus than others. This is the result of a study by the "Safe Travel Barometer" initiative - an association of 250 airlines worldwide.

One German airline did particularly well among the 73 airlines in Europe evaluated: **Lufthansa** took the win! Five points were achieved in the ranking, Lufthansa secured the top value of 4.2.

Iberia has the best corona hygiene protocol

A total of 28 points were evaluated in the three categories of corona hygiene and corona protection protocol, travel comfort and service excellence, which were weighed differently. Important: Not only impressions of travelers themselves are evaluated, but also decision points in booking behavior, such as whether a traveler decided for or against an airline based on certain criteria.

In the case of the Lufthansa Group, "Safe Travel Barometer" particularly praised the fact that corona tests are advertised before departure and in some cases even offered. Spain's Iberia and British Virgin Airlines came in second with 4.1 points each. **EasyJet**, **Eurowings**, **Air France**, **TAP Air Portugal**, **Ryanair** and **Austrian Airlines** each get 4.0 points.

At all times



Of the 73 airlines examined in Europe, only nine managed to achieve at least four of the five points in the November 2020 investigation period. This puts Europe at the bottom of the world after the USA. According to the initiators, this is also related to the non-corona-relevant areas of service and comfort.

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Binter Canarias dominates low-cost airlines when it comes to corona security

This is especially exciting when you look at the individual ratings. The Spanish airline Iberia only comes in second, but is the leader in terms of corona guidelines with 91 percent. Lufthansa followed in second place with 88 percent in terms of the Corona guidelines, and Binter Canarias came in third with 85 percent - but only got 3.4 points overall.

EasyJet is ahead of the budget airlines with 4.0 points, but the airline owes its good result above all to travel comfort. While the other low-cost airlines in this category only achieve poor values, EasyJet comes up with 94 percent. When it comes to corona security, the airline falls far behind at 72 percent.

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These are the best and safest airlines in Europe

airline	Points	Corona security	travel comfort	Service Excellence
Lufthansa	4.2	88 percent	94 percent	73 percent
Iberia	4.1	91 percent	93 percent	49 percent
Virgin Atlantic	4.1	84 percent	82 percent	75 percent
Air France	4.0	81 percent	93 percent	64 percent
TAP Air Portugal	4.0	81 percent	85 percent	71 percent
Austrian Airlines	4.0	81 percent	86 percent	66 percent
British Airways	3.9	83 percent	91 percent	56 percent
KLM	3.9	81 percent	94 percent	56 percent
Ukraine International Airlines	3.9	81 percent	86 percent	62 percent
Aeroflot Airlines	3.7	84 percent	86 percent	32 percent

These are the best and safest low-cost airlines in Europe

airline	Points	Corona security	travel comfort	Service Excellence
EasyJet	4.0	72 percent	94 percent	64 percent
Eurowings	4.0	81 percent	86 percent	85 percent