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### Charters for the hajj



Thai Airways International has arranged 31 charter flights for Thai Muslims to attend the hajj in Saudi Arabia. The flights depart for Medina from Suvarnabhumi Airport in Bangkok and the airports in Narathiwat, Hat Yai and Krabi, carrying about 9,000 pilgrims in total.

The airline's "Hal-Q" certified halal kitchen

prepares the in-flight meals in strict adherence with Islamic dietary requirements. THAI is this year operating all nine flights on its being 289-seat Airbus A330-300s. Departures continue through August 23 and return flights are scheduled from September 6 through October 2.

Pilgrims wishing to take advantage of the THAI service can contact the sales office in Hat Yai at (074) 230 445, extension 156-7.