

ABERDEEN/FAROES ECLIPSE FLIGHT 2015 MARCH 20 — WITH GROUND OPTION IN CASE FAROES WEATHER IS GOOD —

Announcing flight in an Embraer ERJ-145 jet from Aberdeen, Scotland to Vágar, Faroe Islands airport, then airborne total solar eclipse observation run, then back to Vágar and return to Aberdeen. If you prefer you can stay on the ground at Vágar while the aircraft flies, then return with the aircraft to Aberdeen after the eclipse.

Airborne observation will be estimated 3 minutes 30 to 40 seconds in the moon's shadow at 35,000+ feet altitude at 430 knots – view will be out the right-side windows with sun at a very comfortable elevation of 18+ degrees.

Or if you choose ground observation at the airport, duration will be 2 minutes 16 seconds.

We'll depart Aberdeen (ABZ) ~5am (local time = UT) to arrive Vágar (FAE) ~6am sunrise, eclipse flight 8:55am-10:10am landing back at Vágar, then return to Aberdeen. Even if weather at Vágar is perfect, aircraft will still fly for totality.

The ERJ-145 is a "regional"-class jetliner with two seats on the right in each row, and then across the aisle one more seat on the left – here are four interior videos:

3:10-3:25 of <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dx6KrTUv9QQ>
0:45-1:10 of http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WfOf2AWga_0
2:00-3:30 of <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GOnJOurBcnQ>
0:40-2:10 of <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a1bo0fiVwT0>.

Nice features you can see in the videos are that the windows are sizable, nearly square, and also that each seat row coincides exactly one-on-one with its window, no windows partially behind seatbacks i.e. optimal for e-viewing.

The technical planner is John Beattie for whom this will be his 10th solar eclipse aloft.

TWO OPTIONS (second aircraft – some rows already taken by waitlistees from first)

Premier option: seat rows 4-9, 12 (exit row so extra room), or 16-17, US\$4990 per row or US\$2495 per person for two persons sharing row and the window.

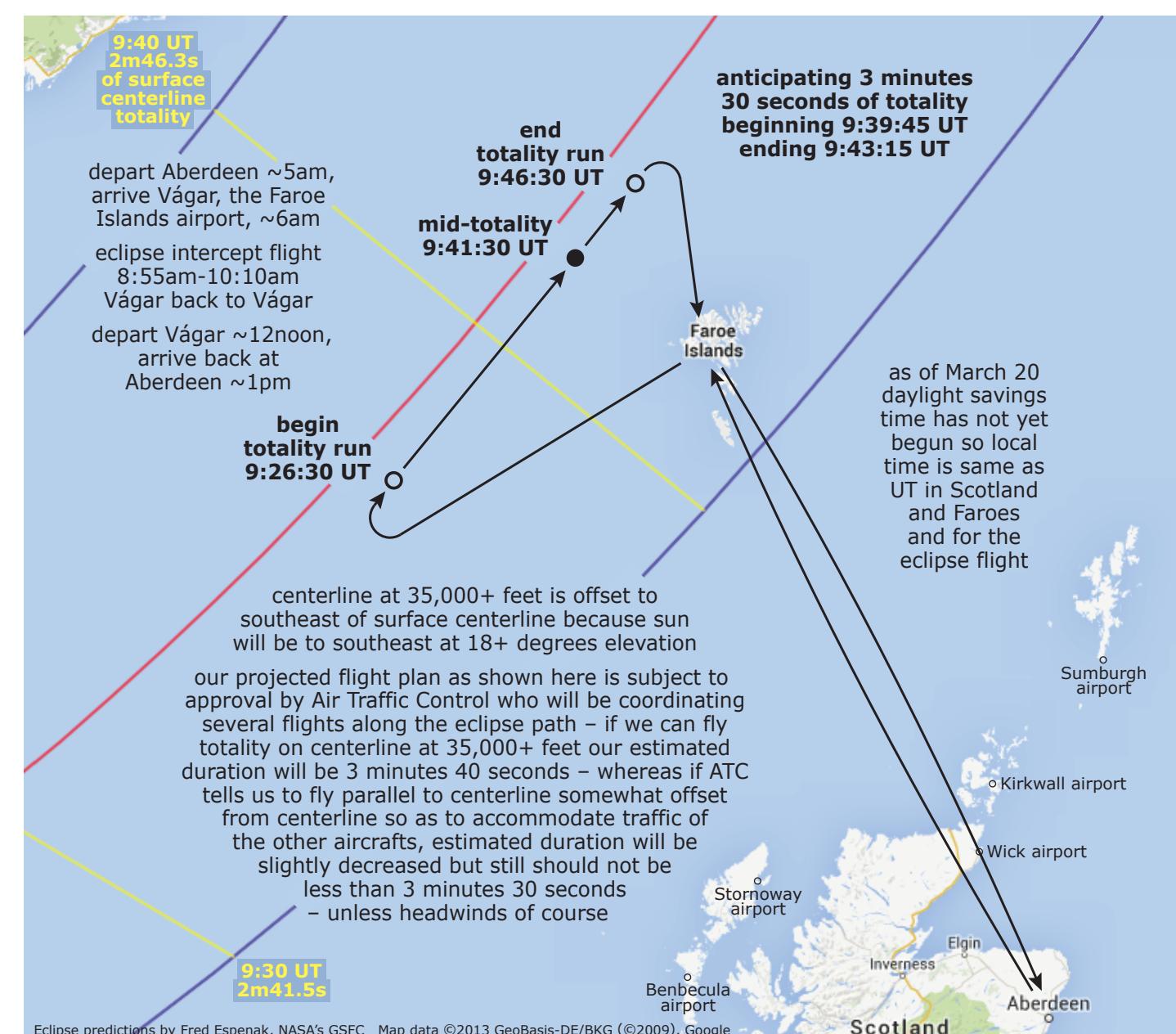
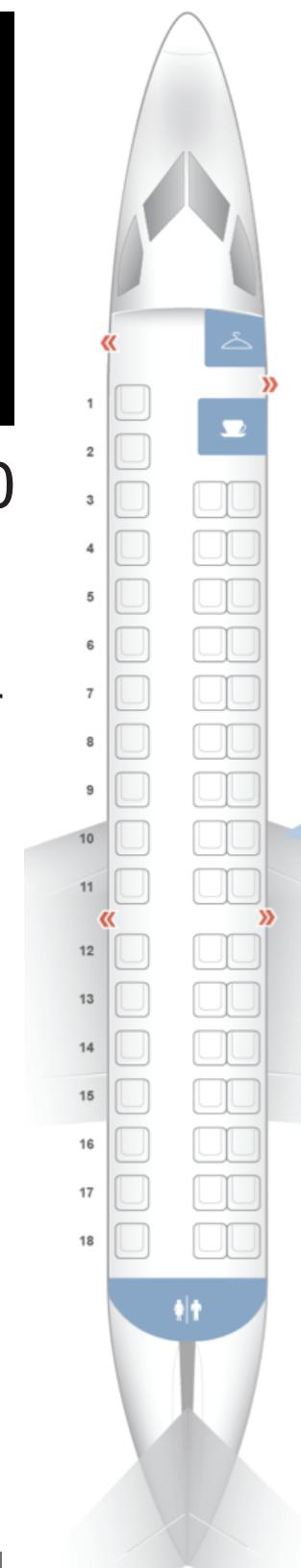
Standard option: seat rows 10-11, 13-15 over wing (wing is not very large, as you can see in the videos) or row 18 at back just in front of engine, US\$3990 per row or US\$1995 per person for two persons sharing row and the window.

Deposit US\$500 per person non-refundable, then US\$1500 per row/window by 2014 June 20, then balance by 2014 September 20.

If you are one person seeking a second person with whom to share a row/window, we prefer that you make arrangements for that on your own independently, for instance by posting on the Solar Eclipse Mailing List (SEML) – if not already a member of SEML you can join, see information at <http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/SEML/info> .

Since this is an aircraft charter for the entire journey it is unfortunately not possible to offer a reduction in price if you do not use all three of the flight sectors, for instance if you decide to stay on the ground on Vágar island to view the eclipse.

To sign up and/or for more information contact Tim Todd at T.E.I. Tours, tei@teiglobal.com, +1 925-825-6104, <http://www.teiglobal.com>.



Good weather at Vágar is unlikely but it ***could happen*** – like El Calafate 2010 and Cape Lopez 2013! The flight plan we're proposing to ATC will give you until about 8:40am, one hour before totality and just after first contact at 8:39am, to decide whether to stay on the ground or fly. Here's what Vágar can look like on a nice day:

