

# Need for speed

FEW THINGS ARE MORE EXHILARATING THAN CONTROLLING A JET FIGHTER AT BREAKNECK PACE. MAKING THIS DREAM COME TRUE IS MIGFLUG.COM, WHERE SPEED COMES AS STANDARD



The L-39ZO Albatross

**THE SWITZERLAND-BASED COMPANY** allows both individuals and businesses to book flights in military jet aircraft. Through a unique world-wide network of fighter jet operators and astronaut training facilities, the company provides private and corporate clients with three different sorts of adventures: individual flights in state-of-the-art fighter jets such as the supersonic MiG-29 or classics like the Hawker Hunter, formation flights and dogfights in two or more L-39 jets as well as zero-gravity flights for up to 15 people. The aircraft are normally used for training, so there are two seats: one for the instructor and one for the customer. Flights are available from different airfields in nine countries across four continents. Most popular flight locations include the USA, the Czech Republic, Switzerland and Russia.

Until recently, mainly private flight enthusiasts enjoyed these adrenaline-charged flights. Recently, however, an increasing number of corporate clients started to realize the benefits of offering such events to their employees. A 2003 study by the Incentive Federation showed that employee performance may rise by 27% when incentive programs are geared towards individuals and even 45% when they're aiming at teams. Flavio Kaufmann, managing director of MiGflug.com, confirms this trend from his everyday business experience: "We're seeing a constant rise in corporate incentive requests. Responding to the growing demand for custom-tailored team events, we added more jets and group events to our programs. Air combat simulation in two L-39 Albatross jet trainers have been available in California for a while. Now, we offer the same in the Czech Republic, in Russia and in the Swiss Alps, and also organize Zero-Gravity group

flights in Russia and the US."

Chasing through picturesque valleys and alongside steep mountains at maximum speed is indeed an unparalleled experience, available only in Switzerland. Even though single flights are possible in all aircraft at MiGflug.com, the greatest thrill has to be an air-combat training between two jets. Such a package for two people includes a total of six flights: After an informative and fun 30-minute briefing flight for each participant, two air-combat runs (45 minutes each) follow.

All fighter jet flights have one thing in common: participants will be given the possibility to take control of the jet while airborne. As they're assisted by the instructor before and throughout the flight, highest standards of flight safety are guaranteed - even without any flight experience of the clients.

Another popular event, especially for groups, is a Zero-Gravity flight in a wide-body aircraft. These aircraft are specifically equipped for astronaut training and can accommodate groups of up to 15 people. During the 90-minute flight, participants enjoy a total of ten phases of zero gravity just like in space. To make sure everybody's comfortable and safe, several professional instructors are present during the experience.

To fully meet the demands of corporate clients, transfer services, on-site catering and video/photo equipment are provided at all airfields. Moreover, MiGflug offers to set off CO2-Emissions exhausted during the flights. To make the MiGflug experience fully climate neutral the company cooperates with New Zealand-based OffsetTheRest.

Online booking of individual flights, gift vouchers and team events are available on the website. ●

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