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A flight sharing platform for the United Kingdom: Wingly takes off!

The young flight sharing start-up [Wingly](#), already active in France and Germany, announces the official launch of its platform in the United Kingdom. Wingly connects private pilots with passengers so they can share the cost of a flight. On the website pilots post flights they have scheduled and passengers can easily book them. Pilots on Wingly offer both A to B and discovery flights where start and destination are the same. The planes pilots use on Wingly offer between two and six seats.

Co-Founder Emeric de Waziers about the vision: *"We are passionate pilots, aeronautical engineers and passengers ourselves. Everybody should have the opportunity to discover the amazing experience of flying! Our goal is the democratization of light aviation."*

How does it work?

Passengers on Wingly access a list of flights available in their region. Using filters, they can target specific destinations, flights and price ranges. Also, they can directly check the map to see all flights. For each flight, profile and reviews of the pilot are shown. Moreover, Wingly asks for the medical certificate and licence of the pilot. The website shows the latest flights to inspire users. When a flight is selected, you can simply book and pay by credit card or PayPal. A user-friendly chat system helps passengers and passengers to organize the trip. And if the flight is cancelled everybody is reimbursed.

Why should a passenger use Wingly?

Thanks to cost sharing, private aviation is not a luxury anymore. We make it affordable for a wide public. Taking the plane is both fast and direct. You can save a lot of time on most routes, even commuting included. Thanks to Wingly, getting a nice lunch in Plymouth/Isle of White on a Sunday from London is now as easy as visiting Windsor Castle. Holiday destinations have never been closer. A flight from London to the Isle of White takes 40min and costs 32£. Passengers can also enjoy amazing landscapes from above, which is not possible through the little window of an airliner. Flights in smaller, single engine aircrafts are unique and fascinating: a real adventure.

Why do pilots use Wingly?

More than 2,000 pilots are already registered on Wingly in France and Germany. We help them to share their passion and cut their cost by up to 75%. Flight hours with chartered aircrafts are quite expensive for pilots, costing at least 160 £, depending on the model. Hence we enable pilots to fly 3 times more for the same amount of money. Money should not be the limitation to a pilot's passion. Pilots should not fly with empty seats anymore.

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