



## **BREITLING JET TEAM COMPLETES EUROPEAN TOUR, SETS SIGHTS ON FIRST EVER UNITED STATES TOUR**

*The World Largest Civilian Aerobatic Display Team Arrives Stateside in 2015*

Breitling is proud to announce that the Breitling Jet Team will be performing in the U.S. for the first time ever in 2015, after completing a successful European tour this fall. The prestigious aerobatic display team is the first and largest of its kind; comprised of seven L-39 C Albatros jets that can reach speeds of up to 565 mph, and have flown across 36 countries all over the world to-date.

The Breitling Jet Team recently completed their yearlong European tour, which included performances in Italy, Switzerland, Germany, France, England and Poland. Highlights from the 2014 European tour included the team's first time at the ILA Berlin Air Show, a rare privilege afforded to a civilian team, flying with the Italian national team the Frece Tricolori at the Fly for Peace event, which was organized to promote peace and human rights and joining a formation with the English Red Arrows to celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Previously, the Breitling Jet Team flew a total of 28,000 miles on the Breitling Asian Tour, which included stops in, Russia, China, South East Asia, South Korea, and Japan.

The Breitling Jet Team will be announcing performances in the U.S. in 2015 at the International Council of Air Shows (ICAS) convention in Las Vegas, NV on December 9, 2014.

The precision and skill demonstrated by the team personifies Breitling's ties to aviation. Since developing onboard chronographs for airplane cockpits, including World War II propeller-driven fighter planes, Breitling has been known as the authentic partner of aviation. This reputation was solidified in 1952, when Breitling launched its legendary Navitimer wrist chronograph featuring a circular slide rule serving to perform all navigation-related calculations. A cult object for pilots and aviation enthusiasts, it has been continuously manufactured for more than 60 years – making it the world's oldest mechanical chronograph still in production. Other favorites among pilots are the Aerospace watch, which was launched in 1985, and the innovative Emergency timepiece with a built-in transmitter that was originally introduced in 1995 and was recently updated to a new version launched in 2014 and is the world's first wristwatch PLB, with a dual frequency locator beacon.

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#### About Breitling Jet Team:

*In order to share its passion for aviation with a broad audience, Breitling created the Breitling Jet Team. With its fast and powerful aircraft piloted by flying aces, this unique aerobatics team illustrates the brand's cherished values: performance, precision, aesthetic sophistication and innovation. The team performs a rapid-fire succession of figures that are perfectly calculated, mastered, synchronized and fine-tuned down to the smallest detail. The unique Breitling Jet Team performs around fifty demonstrations at air shows, sporting events and private appearances. A meticulous performance where the aircraft fly within 3 meters of each other, at speeds of almost 750 km/h and with up to 8G accelerations - embodying the very essence of daring, speed and audacity.*

#### About Breitling:

*A specialist in technical watches, Breitling has played a crucial role in the development of the wrist chronograph. Thanks to its sturdy, reliable and high-performance instruments, the company has also shared the remarkable conquests of the skies and remains the privileged partner of aviation professionals and devotees. Breitling, one of the last remaining independent Swiss watch brands, also produces its own mechanical chronograph movement, entirely developed and manufactured in its own workshops, making the brand as unique and dynamic as the as the exceptional aviation teams that fly the companies colors*

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