For the airport serving Boa Vista, Brazil, see Boa Vista International Airport. Aristides Pereira International Airport (Portuguese Aeroporto Internacional Aristides Pereira) (IATA: BVC, ICAO: GVBA) is an airport in Cape Verde located on the island of Boa Vista, about 5 km southeast of the island capital Sal Rei. It is the third-busiest airport in the country.

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History[edit]

The conversion of the existing airport of Rabil into an international airport started in 2005, and was completed in 2007. The runway was extended from 1,200 to 2,100 metres length and from 30 to 45 metres width. The project cost 21 million euros.[2] The airport was officially opened on 31 October 2007.[3] The airport was originally named Rabil Airport, but on 19 November 2011 it was renamed as a tribute to the first president of Cape Verde, Aristides Pereira.

Airlines and destinations[edit]

Airlines Destinations

Brussels Airlines Seasonal: Brussels[4]

Cabo Verde Express Sal

Luxair Seasonal: Luxembourg

Neos Bologna, Milan-Malpensa, Rome-Fiumicino, Verona[5]

Smartwings Seasonal charter: Prague, Vienna[6] Smartwings Slovakia Seasonal charter: Bratislava

Sunclass Airlines Seasonal charter: Stockholm-Arlanda[7]

TAP Air Portugal Lisbon[8]

TICV Praia, Sal

Transavia Seasonal: Amsterdam, Paris-Orly

TUI Airways[9] Birmingham, London-Gatwick, Manchester

TUI fly Belgium Brussels

TUI fly Deutschland Düsseldorf, Frankfurt, Hannover, Munich, Stuttgart

TUI fly Netherlands Amsterdam

Seasonal: Eindhoven

TUI fly Nordic Seasonal charter: Copenhagen, [10] Gothenburg [11] Helsinki, [12] Stockholm-

Arlanda[11]
Statistics[edit]

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Year Passengers Operations Cargo

2012[13] 425,701 - -

2013[13] 448,700 4,768 268

2016[1] 465,049 4,600 209 2017[1] 512,778 5,008 132 See also[edit] List of buildings and structures in Cape Verde List of airports in Cape Verde