

Phillip Gaonwe Matante International Airport (IATA: FRW, ICAO: FBFT) also known as P.G. Matante International Airport is an airport serving Francistown, Botswana. The airport is on the western edge of the city.

The Francistown VOR-DME (Ident: FTV) is located on the field.[3]

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Facilities[edit]

The new terminal building opened in 2011 and the old terminal at the eastern end of the airport was transferred to the Botswana Defence Force.[4] There are no Jet bridges thus passengers must walk from the terminal to designated parking areas on the tarmac in front of the terminal.

The passenger terminal has an arrival and departure hall. A small retail area hosting car rental companies (Avis/Budget, Hertz, AT& Rentals and Shuttle, Europcar and Bidvest), ATM and a post office.

A new control tower was built next to the new terminal.

Airport Management Office is located at the old terminal and shares space with Rescue/Fire Services, Air BP Office.

Other tenants include:

Customs and Excise

Immigration

Meteorological Service Office

Air BP Fuels

Air Botswana Offices

Airline and destinations[edit]

Despite being an international airport, the Francistown handles domestic and regional (within Africa) flights only.

Airlines Destinations

Air Botswana Gaborone, Johannesburg–OR Tambo

Botswana Defence Force Air Wing[edit]

Francistown is home to one of three Botswana Defence Force Air Wing air bases and home to:

Z3 Transport (Liaison) Squadron

Z12 Transport Squadron

The air base is located in the old terminal building at the east end of the airport with the large steel hangar.

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