

AIRBUS LET THE INTERNET DICTATE THE DESIGN OF ITS NEW FUTURISTIC PLANES

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The Web is where chaos lives and sometimes, just sometimes, that can be a good thing.

There have been countless viral articles recently that speculated about the planes of the future – where we might have glass bubbles on top of the aircraft or one with no windows, just screens giving an uninterrupted view of the world outside.

Well, these ideas, as innovative as they are, probably won't become reality anytime soon but Airbus has just revealed its plans for its new aircraft cabins and admitted that its designers used the viral posts to learn what people really wanted from a plane.

Called Airspace, the new cabin is in development and Airbus is hoping it will give passengers a sense of more space, comfort and inspiration on their journeys.

Set to launch on the manufacturer's new A330neo aircraft in 2017, it's offering lots of extra space, including wider seats as standard, no control boxes under seats for the in-flight entertainment system, which means it's all open for you to stretch your legs.

The planes will offer improved built-in broadband connectivity that'll allow passengers to use their phones and tablets as normal, even making calls and sending and receiving text messages.

The layout and design of the cabin has been made more modular so each airline can customize the layout of their planes, which should mean wider aisles that aren't taken over by lavatories and trolleys.

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The overall design offers more space for you and your luggage, more room to walk around and actually enjoy the surroundings on your journey and not be completely disorientated when you land, thanks to better environmental controls and changeable mood lighting.

Being able to stay connected with the ground below via Wi-Fi and now making calls and texts from 35,000 ft makes flying a less daunting experience for anyone who's nervous. If it gets a little bumpy or you're feeling anxious, you can now call your friend for a distraction or get lost on Twitter for a while.

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Every airline that purchases the new aircraft from Airbus will have the option to customize it as they see fit so here's to hoping they end up looking something like the concept images.

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