

Los Angeles, USA

November 2015

After an awesome journey in November 2014 (see Scramble 433), I decided to make another spotting trip to the west coast of the United States. This time I stayed exclusively in the greater Los Angeles area together with two other aviation enthusiasts. We already booked our airline tickets in the summer for approximately 600 euros all-in. Not a bad rate for approximately 20.000 kilometres of flying. The primary focus would be once again on photographing airliners (and secondary on GA, helicopters and a little bit of military stuff). Of course I also brought my notebook and binoculars in order to make this report. Most logs below are not complete but should give you a good overview. Aircraft that I noted on my previous trip as well (at the same location) are omitted from this report.

Please note that all mm's mentioned apply to a 1.5 crop factor camera and all aircraft are only noted once per airport.

3 November 2015 Schiphol EHAM

D-AIZP Airbus A320-200 Lufthansa

On this foggy Tuesday the three of us boarded LH 1003, the early morning flight to Frankfurt.

3 November 2015 Frankfurt-Main EDDF

D-ABON Boeing 757-300 Condor
HB-IJU Airbus A320-200 Swiss
N178UA Boeing 747-400 United Airlines
OE-LBE Airbus A321-200 Austrian Airlines

Plus various types of Lufthansa.

At Europe's fourth busiest airport we switched from the third smallest Airbus type to the largest Airbus type and enjoyed a quiet flight across the Atlantic.

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9V-SKM Airbus A380-800 Singapore Airlines
D-AIMN Airbus A380-800 Lufthansa
VH-OEG Boeing 747-400ER Qantas

After touchdown around 1 PM I noted a couple of aircraft. Then it was on to customs/immigration where we had to wait 1.5 hours. Apparently the CBP at LAX isn't really prepared to handle the passenger loads of multiple A380s arriving at the same time. Anyway, after this it was time to pick up our Chrysler Town & Country (including built-in navigation system) at the Budget rental station and drive to our hotel just south of the airport: LAX Suites. I stayed there last year as well. The room rates are low and the beds are comfortable, but the hotel is in desperate need of a huge renovation. In the evening we did some shopping in at the Walmart in Hawthorne and enjoyed a nice meal at Denny's (one of the burger restaurant chains I can really recommend). Weather this afternoon wasn't exactly as I expected: clouds and a large rain shower. I could hardly believe my eyes with the clear blue skies of last year still fresh in my memory.

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9V-SKN Airbus A380-800 Singapore Airlines
A6-EOM Airbus A380-800 Emirates
B-16481 Boeing 747-400F Eva Air Cargo
B-16719 Boeing 777-300ER Eva Air
B-2005 Boeing 777-300ER China Eastern
B-2048 Boeing 777-300ER China Southern
B-2088 Boeing 777-300ER Air China
B-KPB Boeing 777-300ER Cathay Pacific

B-KQZ	Boeing 777-300ER	Cathay Pacific
C-FCAB	Boeing 767-300ER	Air Canada
C-FMXC	Boeing 767-300ER	Air Canada Rouge
C-FYNS	Airbus A319-100	Air Canada Rouge
C-GBHY	Airbus A319-100	Air Canada Rouge
C-GJWI	Airbus A321-200	Air Canada
C-GTWS	Boeing 737-700	Westjet
C-GWSY	Boeing 737-700	Westjet
D-AIHI	Airbus A340-600	Lufthansa
D-AIMK	Airbus A380-800	Lufthansa
F-HPJD	Airbus A380-800	Air France
G-STBB	Boeing 777-300ER	British Airways
G-VEIL	Airbus A340-600	Virgin Atlantic
HL7614	Airbus A380-800	Korean Air
HL7621	Airbus A380-800	Korean Air
HL7634	Airbus A380-800	Asiana Airlines
HL8227	Airbus A330-200	Korean Air
JA733J	Boeing 777-300ER	JAL Japan Airlines
JA781A	Boeing 777-300ER	ANA All Nippon Airways
JA823J	Boeing 787-8	JAL Japan Airlines
N225AS	Embraer 500 Phenom 100	JetSuite
N245GL	Beech 1900D	Great Lakes Airlines
N253WC	AS355F2	Helinet Aviation
N262QS	Falcon 2000	Netjets
N313CC	Falcon 2000EX	Comcast
N338QS	Cessna 680	Netjets
N500VJ	BD-700 Global 5000	Jet Aviation Flight Services/VistaJet US
N512NG	Pilatus PC-12/45	Boutique Air
N938QS	Cessna 750	Netjets
N991PS	BAe 125-900XP	Airprice de Mexico
VH-OJT	Boeing 747-400	Qantas
VH-OQD	Airbus A380-800	Qantas
VQ-BBF	Airbus A330-200	Aeroflot

Regular US passenger airliners noted at LAX throughout the trip:

*Alaska Airlines B737-400 / B737-700 / B737-800 / B737-900;

*Alaska Horizon DHC8-400;

*American Airlines A319-100 / A321-200 / B737-800 / B767-300 / B777-200 / B777-300 / B787-8;

*American Eagle CRJ 100 / Emb175;

*Delta Air Lines A320-200 / B717-200 / B737-800 / B737-900 / B757-200 / B757-300 / B767-300 / B777-200;

*Delta Connection CRJ 900 / Emb170 / Emb175;

*Frontier Airlines A319-100 / A320-200;

*Great Lakes Airlines Beech 1900;

*Hawaiian Airlines A330-200;

*JetBlue A320-200 / A321-200;

*Southwest B737-300 / B737-700 / B737-800;

*Spirit Airlines A319-100 / A320-200 / A321-200;

*United Airlines A319-100 / A320-200 / B737-800 / B737-900 / B757-200 / B757-300 / B777-200 / B787-8 / B787-9;

*United Express CRJ 100 / CRJ 200 / CRJ 700;

*US Airways A321-200 / B757-200 (officially flying for American Airlines of course);

*Virgin America A319-100 / A320-200.

When traffic at LAX is compared to last year, there are a few noteworthy changes.

Besides some equipment upgrades/downgrades with the foreign long-haul airliners, the disappearance of the SkyWest (United Express) Embraer Brasilia's is one of the most significant losses. This only leaves Great Lakes Airlines flying with propeller aircraft into

LAX on a regular basis. On the other hand, some new types have entered the scene, e.g. the American A319 and B787-8, American Eagle and United Express Emb175, Delta B717, Spirit A321 and United B787-9.

The first morning was spent at the top level of Joe's Car Parking (between W Century Blvd and W 98th Str.). There are restrooms and free bottles of water at the reception on ground level as well as a nearby Subway to get some lunch. Around noon we moved to the fly-over across the Pacific Coast Hwy. The weather today: clouds in the north and blue skies in the south, so perfect for our photos.

5 November 2015 Santa Monica KSMO

53-1396	F-86H Sabre	USAF
158195/4	A-4M Skyhawk	Blue Angels
N100EW	Gulfstream G450	Executive Jet Management
N15SL	Cessna 560 Ultra	
N217MS	Gulfstream G150	
N2260F	Cessna 310L	Viking Aviation
N230LA	AS350B2 Ecureuil	LAPD
N307FL	Embraer 505 Phenom 300	Flight Options
N335AH	Robinson R66	Empire Polo Club
N340QS	Embraer 505 Phenom 300	Netjets
N36YK	Yak-18T	private
N37288	Cessna 414A	
N477SA	Gulfstream G400	Solairus Aviation
N4TV	AS350B2 Ecureuil	Coastal Helicopters
N518FX	CL-300	Flexjet
N535GH	Cessna 525B	Channel Islands Aviation
N552GR	Falcon 2000LX	Guthy-Renker
N58HG	Beech G58	Pacifica Enterprises
N6021L	Piper PA.46R-350T	private
N746PC	Cessna 560XLS+	Pacific Coast Jet Charter
N747CA	Cessna 421C	Action Air Express
N774XJ	Cessna 750	XOjet
N777AX	Cessna S550	Reno Flying Service
N849PA	EC-135P2+	
N899SD	Beech 200	Loyd's Aviation
N909LB	Cessna 560 Ultra	
N916QS	Cessna 750	Netjets
N920X	Piper PA.46R-350T	Flying Spirit
N923AS	Beech 200	Mazzei Flying Service
N9487Y	Beech 95-55	private
N988RS	BAe 125-800XP2	FlightWorks

One of my personal goals for this year's trip was to visit the very spotting friendly airport of Santa Monica. Currently there are some heated debates going on regarding closure of the airport because of its location in a densely populated urban area. In the morning (when the light is best) we spent a couple of hours at the rooftop terrace of the airport administration building with benches and a very low fence (3233 Donald Douglas Loop S). There is ample free parking available and a 70-300 mm lens will do the job. When runway 23 is in use, you can even get some photos with the stunning LA skyline in the background. Beware of heat haze though (especially during the warmer seasons), since the airport is one huge patch of asphalt. Unlike other airports it has no grass (or sand) between the taxiways and runway: quite a unique feature. Aircraft can vacate the runway after landing at any place.

The Museum of Flying is also located on the south side of the airport (3100 Airport Ave) with a couple of aircraft on display outside. The DC-3 was under restoration, so it couldn't be noted.

5 November 2015 Los Angeles downtown

N8066U DC-8-52 United Airlines

With a DC-8 fan among us, we obviously had to visit the California Science Center in downtown LA (3758 S Figueroa St) to take some photos of this preserved aircraft.

5 November 2015 Los Angeles-LAPD Hooper Heliport 4CA0

N184SD	AS350B2 Ecureuil	Orange County Sheriff
N520PD	MD500N	Glendale Police
N662PD	AS350B2 Ecureuil	LAPD
N665PD	AS350B2 Ecureuil	LAPD
N748AM	AS350B3 Ecureuil	US CBP
N913WB	AS350B2 Ecureuil	LAPD
N951LA	AS350B2 Ecureuil	LA County Sheriff
N954LA	AS350B2 Ecureuil	LA County Sheriff
N956LA	AS350B2 Ecureuil	LA County Sheriff

Then we decided to take a small gamble and try to visit the famous Hooper Heliport of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). The biggest rooftop heliport in the world is located on top of the police building at 555 Ramirez St. It also features in the movie *Blue Thunder*. Coincidentally there was some kind of special event going on with a lot of visiting helicopters flying in and out all day. When we reported at the gate and told the guard we would like to take some photos of the helicopters, they assumed we were press and let us in. But just when we were about to enter the helideck together with some other photographers, we were called back into the office and it was decided that we couldn't go out on the apron. Fortunately we received the phone number of the base commander, so we could schedule a visit on another day. Afterwards we spent some time photographing the choppers from the outside on the ground, but unfortunately with backlight.

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B-18055	Boeing 777-300ER	China Airlines
B-2077	Boeing 777F	China Cargo
B-2087	Boeing 777-300ER	Air China
B-KPA	Boeing 777-300ER	Cathay Pacific
D-AIHE	Airbus A340-600	Lufthansa
F-HPJG	Airbus A380-800	Air France
HP-1823CMP	Boeing 737-800	Copa Airlines
LN-LND	Boeing 787-8	Norwegian
N814SP	Cessna 525	Numenor Aviation
N818TH	CL-604	The Whitewind Co./Tommy Hilfiger
N904AM	Boeing 737-700	AeroMexico
P4-MES	Boeing 767-300ER	Roman Abramovich

At the end of the afternoon, we went to the famous Imperial Hill (Clutter's Park, 339 Sheldon St, El Segundo), where I logged two nice aircraft of famous celebrities. You will need low temperatures (due to heat haze) at this location and quite some mm's for the smaller planes taking off (some are already quite high). Also the electric wires in front don't really work in our advantage.

The weather today was typically SoCal weather: clear blue skies. It would remain that way until the end of our trip unless otherwise noted.

In the evening the usual shopping and dining. At the Home Depot Hawthorne (near the Walmart) we bought three-step ladders for approximately 40 dollars. These would become quite useful during the remainder of our trip.

6 November 2015 Los Angeles KLAX

B-18002	Boeing 777-300ER	China Airlines
B-2076	Boeing 777F	China Cargo
C-FNVU	Airbus A320-200	Air Canada
D-AIHN	Airbus A340-600	Lufthansa

DQ-FJT	Airbus A330-200	Fiji Airways
EI-DRA	Boeing 737-800	AeroMexico
F-HPJJ	Airbus A380-800	Air France
HL7627	Airbus A380-800	Korean Air
HL8285	Boeing 777F	Korean Air Cargo
HP-1829CMP	Boeing 737-800	Copa Airlines
HP-1835CMP	Boeing 737-800	Copa Airlines
N168CE	Gulfstream V	Caesars Entertainment
N224N	CL-604	Nordstrom
N313UP	Boeing 767-300FER	UPS
N319UP	Boeing 767-300FER	UPS
N350BV	Cessna 525A	private
N420LA	Boeing 767-300FER	MAS Air Cargo
N514VL	Airbus A320-200	Volaris
N535CD	Raytheon 390 Premier 1	Jet Methods
N546JN	MD-11F	Western Global Airlines
N583FE	MD-11F	FedEx
N598FE	MD-11F	FedEx
N75HL	BAe 125-800XP	Odyssey Long
N858AM	Boeing 737-800	AeroMexico
N861AM	Boeing 737-800	AeroMexico
N883LS	Gulfstream IV	Las Vegas Sands
N965AM	Boeing 787-8	AeroMexico
PH-BFI	Boeing 747-400M	KLM
VH-OEJ	Boeing 747-400ER	Qantas
VH-VPD	Boeing 777-300ER	Virgin Australia
VH-VPH	Boeing 777-300ER	Virgin Australia
VQ-BNP	BD-700 Global Express XRS	Pro Jet
XA-VLD	Airbus A320-200	Volaris
XA-VOA	Airbus A319-100	Volaris
XA-WIN	Learjet 35A	Aero JL
XC-LNN	Cessna 560 Encore	General Prosecutor of Mexico

Another day at LAX with an early rise in order to catch the Virgin Australia's. Most of the time was spent near the southern runways at the parking lot of the Proud Bird restaurant (11022 Aviation Blvd). The restaurant was closed last year, but now it has been re-opened.

7 November 2015 Los Angeles KLAX

9V-SFQ	Boeing 747-400F	Singapore Airlines Cargo
A6-EOC	Airbus A380-800	Emirates
B-16717	Boeing 777-300ER	Eva Air
B-16720	Boeing 777-300ER	Eva Air
B-18051	Boeing 777-300ER	China Airlines
B-2001	Boeing 777-300ER	China Eastern
B-2031	Boeing 777-300ER	Air China
B-2090	Boeing 777-300ER	Air China
B-2091	Boeing 777F	Air China Cargo
B-5962	Airbus A330-200	China Eastern
B-KPF	Boeing 777-300ER	Cathay Pacific
C-FCAG	Boeing 767-300ER	Air Canada
C-FKCK	Airbus A320-200	Air Canada
C-FKRF	Boeing 737-800	Westjet
C-FYJG	Airbus A319-100	Air Canada Rouge
C-GARO	Airbus A319-100	Air Canada Rouge
C-GBIP	Airbus A319-100	Air Canada
C-GHLQ	Boeing 767-300ER	Air Canada Rouge
C-GIUF	Airbus A321-200	Air Canada

C-GJWN	Airbus A321-200	Air Canada
C-GWJE	Boeing 737-700	Westjet
D-AIHR	Airbus A340-600	Lufthansa
DQ-FJV	Airbus A330-200	Fiji Airways
G-STBF	Boeing 777-300ER	British Airways
G-VBUG	Airbus A340-600	Virgin Atlantic
G-VFIT	Airbus A340-600	Virgin Atlantic
HL7612	Airbus A380-800	Korean Air
HL7619	Airbus A380-800	Korean Air
JA779A	Boeing 777-300ER	ANA All Nippon Airways
JA834J	Boeing 787-8	JAL Japan Airlines
N157AL	Falcon 2000EX	Jet Edge
N17VA	Beech 200	Optimal Aviation Services
N305NV	Airbus A319-100	Allegiant Air
N312EL	Gulfstream IV	Eli Lilly
N356KD	Boeing 747-400BCF	Western Global Airlines
N383LS	Gulfstream V	Las Vegas Sands
N969AV	Airbus A330-200	Avianca
PH-BFH	Boeing 747-400M	KLM
VH-OEF	Boeing 747-400ER	Qantas
VH-OJU	Boeing 747-400	Qantas
XA-AMG	Boeing 737-800	AeroMexico
XA-AMV	Boeing 737-800	AeroMexico
ZK-OKA	Boeing 777-200ER	Air New Zealand
ZK-OKO	Boeing 777-300ER	Air New Zealand

Today the southern landing runway was closed, so we decided to spent another day at the northern runways, hoping to catch most of the landing traffic at our favourite spot: the aforementioned fly-over. Unfortunately runway usage at LAX can be rather unpredictable as we would experience quite a few times during this trip. Therefore we missed some nice ones, but with glorious weather and some company of other American spotters, we couldn't really complain. Especially a venerable Qantas B747 arriving in perfect light conditions made me very happy.

8 November 2015 Los Angeles KLAX

4X-ECE	Boeing 777-200ER	EI AI
B-2009	Boeing 777-300ER	China Southern
B-2073	Boeing 777F	China Southern Cargo
B-2085	Boeing 777-300ER	Air China
CC-BBC	Boeing 787-8	LAN Airlines
HL7613	Airbus A380-800	Korean Air
N188WR	Gulfstream G550	Wynn Resorts
N709DS	BD-700 Global Express XRS	
N999QS	Cessna 750	Netjets
XA-AML	Boeing 737-800	AeroMexico

A short visit to get the LAN B787, before heading towards the east.

8 November 2015 San Bernardino KSBD

B-16113	MD-11F	Eva Air Cargo
B-16408	Boeing 747-400	Eva Air
B-16409	Boeing 747-400	Eva Air
JA8941	Boeing 777-300	JAL Japan Airlines
JA8942	Boeing 777-300	JAL Japan Airlines
JA8982	Boeing 777-200	JAL Japan Airlines
JA8983	Boeing 777-200	JAL Japan Airlines
N205CE	Bell 205A1	Southern California Edison
N237AC/746	Sikorsky S-64F	Erickson Air Crane
N361NC	Boeing 737-300SF	Northern Air Cargo

N415BN	Boeing 727-200	Sky One
N634SB	AS350B3 Ecureuil	San Bernardino County Sheriff
N724YS	Boeing 727-200	Fry's Electronics
N727AA	Boeing 727-200	American Airlines
N843BC	Beech B200	Comprehensive Blood & Cancer Center
N8PQ	Aero Commander 690A	Baker Aircraft
(PH-KCC)	MD-11	KLM
VH-VLH	Boeing 727-200F	Heavylift Cargo Airlines
VP-CBA	Boeing 737-200	Sky Aviation

A visit around midday at this quiet but interesting airport. We started our tour at the western maintenance/test/overhaul area, which includes the classics like B727/B737-200/B747SP, and worked our way clockwise. The passenger terminal was just as desolated as last year, except now there was a nice B737 freighter at the apron. Then we paid a visit to the air tanker base, located at the north side of the field, to take some photos at the apron. The fire season was not as long and intense as last year, so all air tanker planes had already departed to their home bases. I noted two Skycranes (only one new) and the Aero Commander reconnaissance aircraft which I skipped last year. Thereafter we drove to the north eastern side where some stored airliners can be found. Security wasn't too happy with us driving around there, so we didn't waste much time.

8 November 2015 Riverside-March ARB KRIV

(22122)	C-119G Flying Boxcar	Canadian AF
1101	MiG-21F	Czech AF
(5744)/"5477"	MiG-23BN	Czech AF
773/"273"	MiG-15UTI	Polish AF
1605	MiG-17	Russian AF
0409	MiG-19S	Slovak AF
(-)	FO-141 Gnat	Royal Air Force
(41-21487)/"65"	Vultee BT-13A Valiant	US Army
43-15579	VC-47B	USAF
44-06393	VB-17G	USAF
44-31032	TB-25N Mitchell	USAF
(44-35224)/B	A-26C Invader	USAF
44-61669/49	SB-29 Superfortress	USAF
47-01595/FS-595	F-84C Thunderjet	USAF
50-0560	F-86D Sabre	USAF
51-9432/FS-432	F-84F Thunderstreak	USAF
52-1519	EB-57B Canberra	USAF
52-1949	F-89J Scorpion	USAF
52-6218	YU-9A Aero Commander	US Army
53-0363	KC-97L Stratofreighter	USAF
53-1304/FU-304	F-86H Sabre	USAF
53-2275	B-47E Stratojet	USAF
53-4326	CH-21B Workhorse	USAF
54-0612/IE	C-123K Provider	USAF
54-2808	VC-131D Samaritan	USAF
55-0679	GB-52D Stratofortress	USAF
55-3130	KC-135A Stratotanker	USAF
56-1114	F-102A Delta Dagger	USAF
57-2316	T-37B	USAF
57-5803/HI	F-105B Thunderchief	USAF
58-0513	T-33A	USAF
59-0418	F-101B Voodoo	USAF
(60-0593)	GT-38A Talon	Thunderbirds
(62-12537)	UH-1B	US Army
62-4383/RM	F-105D Thunderchief	USAF
62-4465	CT-39A Sabreliner	USAF

(63-13143)	UH-1F	USAF
63-7693/FP	F-4C Phantom	USAF
63-7746	RF-4C Phantom	USAF
64-14835	KC-135R Stratotanker	USAF
65-0257	C-141B Starlifter	USAF
67-21465	O-2B Skymaster	USAF
68-0245	FB-11A Aardvark	USAF
68-0382	F-4E Phantom	USAF
68-17252	OH-6A Cayusa	US Army
69-16416	AH-1F Cobra	US Army
69-6188/DM	A-7D Corsair	USAF
71-0790/EK	A-37B Dragonfly	USAF
71-1368	YA-9A	USAF
76-0008/ST	GF-15A Eagle	USAF
1293	HU-16E Albatross	US Coast Guard
12473	R5O-5 Lodestar	US Navy
44588	Beech C-45J	US Navy
51360/060	SNJ-4	US Navy
56514	C-54Q Skymaster	US Navy
132789/RR-704	EA-1E Skyraider	US Navy
148943	SH-34J Choctaw	USAF
154342/04	TA-4J Skyhawk	US Navy
157990	YF-14A Tomcat	US Navy
(N22AN)/"6550"	Antonov 2R	March Field Air Museum
N475DF	Cessna M337B	CDF Cal Fire
(N54865)/"B1-211"	Vultee BT-13A Valiant	March Field Air Museum

On this Sunday afternoon we spent a few hours in the largest aviation museum in the area: the March Field Air Museum (22550 Van Buren Blvd). Be prepared: the museum is open from 9-16h, closed on Mondays and you have to leave your bags in the car (just take your camera with you). Because the museum is adjacent to the active military base (with a great view at the runway), it is not allowed to point your camera in that direction. Also you would need a ladder to photograph over the fence, but obviously you can't bring this into the museum. At the entrance you will receive an (almost) up-to-date map which may help you to write down all aircraft and not miss one or two. As for photography, light would be best in the afternoon and with no ropes at all (at least during our visit) and not too many people it resulted in some nice photos.

8 November 2015 Chino KCNO

N116RW	Falcon 900	
N237MB	Cessna 550B	
N263NR	CL-215	Minnesota DNR
N266NR	CL-215	Minnesota DNR
N269R	Piper PA.46-310P	
N2880D	Beech C45	private
N2946R	Cessna 310G	Rotors & Wings Aviation
N35350	Saab J35D Draken	private
N372C/"138203"	T-28B Trojan	Palm Springs Air Museum
N41MH	Falcon 20C	Threshold Aviation Group
N449JA	Piper PA.44-180	
N4577L	Cessna 340	private
N6216T	L-29 Delfin	private
N650TL	CL-600S	Critical Air Medicine/Chicago Jet Group
N674G	Cessna 550	Mach One Air Charters
N770RW	Mitsubishi MU-2B-35	Wings & Rotors Air Museum
N800DC	Beech D50	private
N98LT	Gulfstream IV-SP	Threshold Aviation Group
NX90400/"5"	Antonov 2T	

After the museum at March there was some time (and sunlight) left, so yet again I visited Chino Airport. First we went to the Threshold FBO at the southeast corner, but unfortunately airside access was denied here. So we took some quick photos from outside the fence (thanks to our ladders) and then we drove to the north side of the field where we took another self-guided tour at the main apron. No one but a dog bothered us this time. The biggest catches for me were the two radial-engined CL-215s of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MN DNR) and the almost-60-year old twin Beech.

9 November 2015 Los Angeles-LAPD Hooper Heliport 4CA0

N212LA	Bell 206B	LAPD
N225LA	AS350B2 Ecureuil	LAPD
N230LA	AS350B2 Ecureuil	LAPD
N304FD/4	Bell 412EP	LA City Fire Department
N3202Q	Bell 206B	LAPD
N3202X	Bell 206B	LAPD

Bad weather was forecasted for this day and indeed, when we woke up, the sky was overcast. So this would be a good opportunity to do some sightseeing and therefore we went to the Walk of Fame in the morning. It might be a bit disappointing if you are not into movies. Then we made a phone call to see if we could visit the Hooper Heliport and after lunch at the nearby Denny's we were allowed on deck to take photos. During our visit the weather improved and the helicopters were brightened up by some sunshine. The Bell 412 was a lunch/fuel stop visitor. The rooftop heliport also offers an amazing view on the city.

9 November 2015 Burbank-Bob Hope K BUR

N126V	Cessna 208	Mercury Air Cargo
N145UP	Airbus A300F4-600R	UPS
N311CG	Gulfstream G650	Avjet/Crimson Group
N356WW	Gulfstream G550	Avjet
N400AA	Gulfstream III	Advanced Airways/GHTD Aviation
N421CC	Cessna 421C	private
N4ES	BAe 125-F400B	Caesars Entertainment
N557XJ	CL-300	XOJet
N674FE	Airbus A300F4-600R	FedEx
N709FL	Cessna 750	Flight Options
N7535G	Robinson R44	Orbic Air
N770BB	Boeing 757-200	Yucaipa Companies
N797SA	CL-601-3A	STA Jets
N803TH	Cessna 208B	SeaPort Airlines
N809SA	Pilatus PC-12/47E	Surf Air
N829SA	Pilatus PC-12/47E	Surf Air
N950PA	Cessna 208B	SeaPort Airlines

We paid a short visit to Bob Hope Airport in the afternoon. The airport offers a nice mixture of airliners, bizjets and GA, but is not very busy nor spotting friendly. The car parks at the main terminal might provide some decent views on the terminal apron, but we did not check this out ourselves. Instead we drove around the perimeter and we encountered rather high fences and buildings around most of the airport. Also the busy roads near the runway ends and varying runway usage didn't really help. The FBO's, located just northwest of the runway intersection, might give you some opportunities to take a couple of quick photos at a lower fence, but here you will have backlight most of the day.

9 November 2015 Los Angeles KLAX

F-GSPX	Boeing 777-200ER	Air France
N5NG	Gulfstream IV-SP	Northrop Grumman
N809SY	Boeing 737-800	Sun Country

10 November 2015 Los Angeles KLAX

A6-EOL	Airbus A380-800	Emirates
B-16722	Boeing 777-300ER	Eva Air
C-GMRX	Gulfstream IV-SP	Image Air Charter
D-AIML	Airbus A380-800	Lufthansa
F-HPJF	Airbus A380-800	Air France
LN-LNG	Boeing 787-8	Norwegian
N147X	Gulfstream IV-SP	Wing Aviation
N387QS	Cessna 680	Netjets
N899NC	Gulfstream G550	News America
VH-VDX	BD-700 Global Express	Pratt Aviation

10 November 2015 Oxnard KOXR

VH-VDX	BD-700 Global Express	Pratt Aviation
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Today we made a trip to the north west. As we had some time to spare, first we paid a very short visit to the small airport of Oxnard. I was able to log only one plane, which I would see later that day at LAX.

10 November 2015 Camarillo KCMA

(-)	UH-1	USAF/US Army?
N1078Z	F6F-5 Hellcat	Commemorative Air Force
N155SH	Robinson R22	EatSleepFly/Revolution Aviation
N205SD/6	Bell HH-1H	Ventura County Sheriff
N2103L	Beech 95-B55	private
N212VC/9	Bell 212	Ventura County Sheriff
N215CM	C-47	American Aeronautical Foundation
N30801/"44-30801"	TB-25N Mitchell	American Aeronautical Foundation
N327MP	BAe 125-750	Gulf Coast Aviation
N341MR/ "140731/MR"	T-34B Mentor	Commemorative Air Force
N34YC	T-34A Mentor	Commemorative Air Force
N43266	Robinson R22	Orbic Helicopters
N529SB/"6"	Yak-3M	Commemorative Air Force
N53594/"44-78663"	C-46F	Commemorative Air Force
(N5865V)/"MB11"	B-25J Mitchell	Commemorative Air Force
N6411D/"0"	SNJ-4	Commemorative Air Force
N7074N	Robinson R44	Orbic Helicopters
N712Z/"X-133"	Mitsubishi A6M3 Zero	Commemorative Air Force
N7520U	Harvard Mk.4	private
N7825C/"S-201"	F8F-2 Bearcat	Commemorative Air Force
N850VT	Socata TBM-850	private
N867LD	Beech 200	
N89014/"SB-290"	SNJ-5	Commemorative Air Force
N927LL	BAe 125-700A	Northcoast Jet
NL44727/ "414292/QP-A"	P-51D Mustang	Commemorative Air Force
NX749DP/"NH749/L"	Spitfire Mk.14	Commemorative Air Force

Our main goal today was photographing the warbirds of the Commemorative Air Force based at Camarillo. This flying museum is located at 555 Airport Way. Its opening hours are daily (except Mondays) 10-16h with Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday being the busiest days with flying. At the museum's apron you need to be accompanied by one of the hosts, but besides that you are free to take photos and you may also catch some other traffic that is taxiing by.

Besides the GA stuff, the Ventura County Sheriff's Department is based here with some nice coloured yellow-blue helicopters. You will need small stairs in order to photograph over the fence.

11 November 2015 Barton Heliport KPAI

N15LA/15 Sikorsky S-70A LA County Fire Department

N18LA/18 Bell 412 LA County Fire Department

On Veteran's Day (and the Dutch 'Sint Maarten') we headed out for a day in the desert north of LA. Our first stop was the heliport of the LACoFD where I noted two new helicopters along Airpark Way.

Then we did some improvising and followed our navigation system to Agua Dulce Airpark, only to find out that this is a private airstrip which could not be accessed.

11 November 2015 Palmdale KPMD

44-78019	C-46D Commando	USAF
54-2299	F-100D Super Sabre	USAF
57-0038	B-52F Stratofortress	USAF
57-0915	F-104C Starfighter	USAF
58-0324	F-101F Voodoo	USAF
62-4416/WW	F-105G Thunderchief	USAF
63-8182/LB	T-38A Talon	USAF
65-0696	F-4D Phantom	USAF
145067	A-4C Skyhawk	US Navy
154449/XE	A-7B Corsair	US Navy
164350/103	F-14D Tomcat	US Navy
(741529)/6	F-5E	US Marines
N143SC	Scaled Composites Triumph	Scaled Composites
N807LM	X-55A	Lockheed Martin
(N812NA)/812	F-104N Starfighter	NASA
N814NA	L-1329 Jetstar 6	NASA
(N816NA)/816/	F-16A	NASA
82-0976		
N911NA	Boeing 747-SR46	NASA
N91FS	F-86 Sabre Mk.5	Flight Systems

Next stop was Air Force Plant 42, a.k.a. Palmdale. No operational activities were observed here today, so I only noted the gateguards at Lockheed Martin (1011 Lockheed Way) and the planes at the Joe Davies Heritage Airpark at 2001 E Ave P (which was closed due to the holiday). Somehow we managed to miss the Blackbird Air Park next to it...

11 November 2015 Lancaster-William J Fox KWJF

(N211SR)/N8467C	Aero Commander 560F	Antelope Valley Community College
N291EA/101	MD-87	Erickson Aero Tanker
N3071L	Cessna 310J	private
N311RN	Mitsubishi MU-2B-25	private
N31HD	Cessna 525	Hillsboro Air Service
N36JE	Gulfstream III	Golden West Food Group
N374AC/164	BAe 146-RJ85	Aero-Flite
N4009P	Piper PA.23-160	private
N4614P	Piper PA.23-250	private
N4874P	Piper PA.23-250	
N5CV	Cessna T337G	
N62699	Piper PA.23-250	Barnes Aviation
N75FP	Learjet 75	
N8210	Cessna 310	
N925WD	Fouga CM170 Magister	Red Star Aviation
N957LA	AS350B2 Ecureuil	LA County Sheriff

Lancaster is always worth a visit, especially because this one started with a classic G-III. Some GA was noted and the friendly sheriffs of Los Angeles County let us airside to take a closer look at their helicopter. We were able to visit the air tanker base again, although

I didn't note any new types. The Milestones of Flight Museum has been permanently closed and is not accessible anymore, so I am glad I visited it last year.

11 November 2015 California City KL71

(C-GBBB)	Gulfstream III		<i>cn 368</i>
(N12EN)	Gulfstream III		<i>cn 406</i>
(N190RP)	Gulfstream II-SP		<i>cn 136</i>
(N200UJ)	Gulfstream II-SP		<i>cn 200</i>
N231GB	DC-3C		
(N302DP)	Gulfstream II-B		<i>cn 237</i>
N304FM/"328"	Fouga CM170R Magister		
N315MB/ "498/315-MB"	Fouga CM170 Magister	Swift Air International	
N355F	Fouga CM170 Magister		
(N36RR)	Gulfstream II-B		<i>cn 004</i>
(N378SE)	Gulfstream III		<i>cn 378</i>
(N3LH)	Gulfstream II		<i>cn 005</i>
(N416KD)	Gulfstream II		<i>cn 231</i>
N422FM	Fouga CM170 Magister	private	
(N477WG)	Gulfstream C-20B		<i>cn 477</i>
(N4UB)	Gulfstream II-B		<i>cn 207</i>
N514RD	BAe 125-600B		
N54215	Convair HC-131A	California Museum of Air and Space	
N561VM	Fouga CM170 Magister	Swift Air International	
(N605RA)	Gulfstream II-SP		<i>cn 057</i>
(N706TJ)	Gulfstream II-SP	JetStar Air	<i>cn 212</i>
(N813MK)	Gulfstream III		<i>cn 407</i>
(VP-BFF)	Gulfstream II-SP		<i>cn 186</i>

One of the most amazing (and eerie) airports I have ever visited is California City. Located in the middle of the desert with nobody but the mail man around, you could hear a pin drop. Since the airport manager wasn't there, we decided to go ahead on a self-guided tour at the apron in order to photograph the classic Fogas and a Dakota. The Convair is preserved as a gateguard. At the west side of the airport you can find the Gulfstream boneyard. All aircraft had their registrations removed, but the cn's are painted on the airframes. The planes are packed together, so not very suitable for photography.

11 November 2015 Mojave KMHV

G-CEAE	Boeing 737-200	European AirCharter
N127AM	Agusta A109E	Air Methods/Mercy Air
N212TP	Bell 212	National Test Pilot School
N328RB/ "137645/D-316"	T-28B Trojan	private
N38453/ "1487/FU-487"	F-86E Sabre Mk.6	private
N717UP	T-6G	private
N75MX	SA226T Merlin III	Flight Research
N761SA	Boeing 747-200BF	Southern Air
N778AM	Bell 412	Air Methods/Mercy Air
N802FT	Sabreliner 75A	Flight Test Aerospace
N954JM	Boeing 747-400	Jet Midwest
NX186RG	L-39	National Test Pilot School
XA-RKT	DC-9-15	Aero California
XA-SYQ	DC-9-14	Aero California

I visited Mojave for the second time, but now I had a ladder so I could take some photos over the fence. This included a beautiful operational Tristar which I had already noted on my previous trip.

11 November 2015 Keene

N407KC Bell UH-1H Kern County Helitack

On the way from Mojave to Bakersfield we first stopped at two small airports where nothing of our interest was seen. Then, while driving on highway 58, we noticed this beautiful chopper sitting at a heliport in the small town of Keene. So we quickly returned and the friendly crew let us inside the gate to take some photos. The helicopter was built in the sixties and served in Vietnam.

11 November 2015 Bakersfield KL45

N321RT Partenavia P.68B KCSI Aerial Patrol

With the sun setting rapidly, we wanted to visit Bakersfield Airport. By accident we ended up at the small municipal airport where I noted this based Partenavia. Then we corrected our mistake and drove towards the big airport: Meadows Field.

11 November 2015 Bakersfield-Meadows Field KBFL

N3707X Beech 60
N426MA SA227AC Metro III Ameriflight
N776W Piper PA.31-350 Kern Asphalt
N908FE Cessna 208B FedEx Feeder

A few planes were noted here. The airport is very quiet and not really worth spending a lot of time. There were no airliners at all at the terminal. Moreover, in the afternoon you will have backlight.

12 November 2015 Van Nuys KVNy

C-GEPG	Falcon 2000	Execaire
C-GQBA/240	CL-415	Government of Quebec
C-GQBE/243	CL-415	Government of Quebec
C-GQBK/247	CL-415	Government of Quebec
F-HFIP	BD-700 Global 6000	
N105CX	Gulfstream V	Trans-Exec Air Service
N109HS	Agusta A109E	Helinet Aviation
N110SN	Gulfstream IV	Clay Lacy Aviation
N114EA	Eclipse 500	Memley Aviation
N132GS	Cessna S550	Golden State Jet
N157AL	Falcon 2000EX	Jet Edge
N160LA/16	Sikorsky S-70A	LA County Fire Department
N163AC/731	Sikorsky S-64F	Erickson Air Crane
N16730/"1+2"	AT-6C	Condor Squadron
N168CF	MD-87	Sunrider
N168EA	Cessna 560	Desert Jet
N168KT	Agusta A109E	Helinet Aviation
N18LA/18	Bell 412	LA County Fire Department
N191VE	Cessna 560	Chrysler Aviation
N1AL	Gulfstream G650ER	Air Lease Corporation
N1VG	Learjet 55	Vince Granatelli
N2000X	Cessna 560	
N206TW	Bell 206B	private
N212BT	Bell 212	Redding Air Service
N213PD	Bell 206B	Helinet Aviation
N215GH	AS350B3 Ecureuil	Guardian Helicopters
N217AC/735	Sikorsky S-64E	Erickson Air Crane
N217BA	Gulfstream G200	FirstFlight
N2185A	Piper PA.44-180	private
N221CM	Gulfstream III	Trans-Exec Air Service
N222LX	Gulfstream V	Trans-Exec Air Service
N230LA	AS350B2 Ecureuil	LAPD
N235HR	Learjet 55	ZMG Clinics

N236LC	Gulfstream G200	Clay Lacy Aviation
N253QS	Falcon 2000	Netjets
N264CL	Gulfstream II-SP	Clay Lacy Aviation
N283DJ	IAI 1126	
N283DM	BD-700 Global Express XRS	Vista Equity Partners
N2863G/"S+HL"	SNJ-6	Condor Squadron
N289RZ	Embraer 500 Phenom 100	
N301FD/1	Bell 412EP	LA City Fire Department
N302FD/2	AW 139	LA City Fire Department
N303FD/3	AW 139	LA City Fire Department
N304FD/4	Bell 412EP	LA City Fire Department
N306FD/6	Bell 206B	LA City Fire Department
N30EH	Agusta A109E	Helinet Aviation
N311EF	Piper PA.44-180	Encore Flight Academy
N313DS	CL-300	JFI Jets
N316SS	Falcon 900	RedLeaf Management Partners
N323LA	AS350B2 Ecureuil	
N324V	AS350B2 Ecureuil	Helinet Aviation
N330HB	L-39C	HB Aviation
N345SV	Learjet 45	
N352TV	Learjet 35A	SunQuest Executive Air Charter
N354SS	Learjet 35A	Dreamline Aviation
N358PJ	CL-601-3R	Paragon Jets
N401SY	Learjet 60	Dreamline Aviation
N404HG	CL-601-3A	Chrysler Aviation
N40RZ	Piper PA.46-350P	
N412WW	Gulfstream IV	STA Jets
N426TM	BAe 125-800XP	Travel Management Company
N441FA/3	Bell UH-1H	Orange County Fire Authority
N444RJ	Cessna 401A	private
N457DS	Gulfstream IV	Rockstar Inc/Russ Weiner
N45TL	Cessna 501	private
N482SH	Robinson R22	
N495RS	Gulfstream IV	
N4NL	Twin Navion	
N500UP	Cessna 560XL	Gama Aviation
N502VJ	BD-700 Global 5000	Jet Aviation Flight Services/VistaJet US
N504VR	Cessna 550B	Malone AirCharter
N50TC	Boeing 737-700 BBJ	Tracinda
N510GP	Cessna 550	SunQuest Executive Air Charter
N533SR	Gulfstream G450	Service Electric
N549LR	BAe 125-1000	JF Aviation
N549TS	Robinson R44	Aggregate Material Services
N55GV	Gulfstream V	Jet Edge
N581JS	Embraer 500 Phenom 100	JetSuite
N58DT	Piper PA.31-350	Golden State Jet
N627CR	Falcon 900EX	Stein's Aircraft Services
N63RB/"M+HL"	AT-6D	Condor Squadron
N64CF	Learjet 35A	Cirrus Aviation
N650PE	Gulfstream G650	Platinum Equity
N6516K	Bell 206L-3	Guardian Helicopters
N685PB	Aero Commander 685	private
N69522	Cessna 340	
N711GH	Bell UH-1H	Guardian Helicopters
N717GK	Cessna 550B	STA Jets
N719SA	Gulfstream IV	Clay Lacy Aviation/SR Capital Advisors
N71HD	AS350B2 Ecureuil	Helinet Aviation

N71NE	Gulfstream IV	
N720CH	BD-700 Global Express	CH Management Services
N7274N	Bell UH-1N	US Department of Homeland Security
N753AW	Beech B200GT	
N763DB	Gulfstream IV	Trans-Exec Air Service
N770KS	Gulfstream IV	Jet Edge
N777UV	Falcon 50	
N7799T	Gulfstream IV	Al Haymon
N780W	Gulfstream V	Cove Aviation
N787BN	Gulfstream G150	Clay Lacy Aviation
N7969C/"1+1"	SNJ-5	Condor Squadron
N805C	Beech B200	Dreamline Aviation
N805UP	Beech 350i	Gama Aviation
N80DX	CL-604	Dreamline Aviation
N80LD	Cessna 680A	
N811BW	Cessna 402A	Barron Thomas
N827CT	Falcon 50	Metropolitan Aviation
N82XL	Piper PA.31T2	
N842PA	Gulfstream IV	Pegasus Elite Aviation
N850LG	Gulfstream IV-SP	Leonard Green & Partners
N863GJ	BAe 125-800XP	Critical Care Medflight
N864KB	Learjet 31A	Dreamline Aviation
N868BT	Falcon 50	Alpine International Aviation
N86WW/"42/B+HL"	SNJ-4	Condor Squadron
N880TD	Falcon 50	MB Airways/Employers Benefit Group
N8888G	CL-605	Aviation Concepts
N888ZZ	BAe 125-800A	Current Aviation Group
N8LX	Aero Commander 500S	
N904LR	Cessna 560	Chrysler Aviation
N90HC	Falcon 50	High Cotton Aviation
N913LS	EC-120B	Flying Tian
N920X	Piper PA.46R-350T	Flying Spirit
N928QS	Cessna 750	Netjets
N942JT	Gulfstream G550	Jet Aviation Flight Services
N9525C/"1+3"	AT-6C	Condor Squadron
N965BC	Aero Commander 695A	
N991NB	Gulfstream IV-SP	Nolan Capital
N993SA	CL-601-3A	Sports Authority
VP-BAP	Boeing 727-21	
XA-DHM	Gulfstream III	

Today we visited one of the busiest GA airports in the world. After a drive around the airport, we reported at the official spotting place for an airside ramp tour together with some thirty other British and American spotters. The tour was a first and was organized by one of the local spotters and hosted by the airport management. During the tour the bus drove along nearly all aprons, so I was able to write down quite a lot of stuff. Unfortunately photography possibilities were very limited: we were only allowed outside the bus at the Super Scoopers and the Skycranes. Photographing bizjets or any other GA aircraft was forbidden, except through the windows of the bus. After the bus tour we were welcomed at the Condor Squadron, located on the west side of the field. Here we could take some photos of the Harvards/Texans. Then it was time for our own arranged visit at the LA City Fire Department, also located on the west side of the airport. Although we got a nice tour, there were no helicopters on the apron outside suitable for photography.

What is new at the official spotters place at the end of Waterman Drive is the camera holes in the fence. These were installed a couple of days prior to our visit. The holes should be large enough for most lenses (except the very large ones like 300 F2.8 or

large). Unfortunately the holes do not allow for much manoeuvring, so taking photos of landing aircraft will probably still be a challenge. The alternative is a huge ladder.

12 November 2015 Los Angeles KLAX

N451SS	Pilatus PC-12/45	Boutique Air
N898TS	Falcon 900	Taylor Swift

13 November 2015 Los Angeles KLAX

B-2022	Boeing 777-300ER	China Eastern
B-2041	Boeing 777F	China Southern Cargo
C-GARG	Airbus A319-100	Air Canada
C-GBIN	Airbus A319-100	Air Canada Rouge
N668FE	Airbus A300F4-600R	FedEx
N733MA	Boeing 737-800	Miami Air
N906NV	Boeing 757-200	Allegiant Air
XA-VOY	Airbus A320-200	Volaris
ZK-OKC	Boeing 777-200ER	Air New Zealand

Today we had to amend our program a bit due to sickness of our driver. In stead of going to Santa Ana-John Wayne Airport, we spent most of the morning at our 'home base'.

13 November 2015 Fullerton KFUL

N141FA/1	Bell 412EP	Orange County Fire Authority
N145SJ	BK-117C2	Air Methods/Mercy Air
N229HT	Bell 205A1	HeliStream
N241FA/2	Bell 412EP	Orange County Fire Authority
N3132B	Bell UH-1H	Orange County Fire Authority
N421WR	Cessna 421B	
N441FA/3	Bell UH-1H	Orange County Fire Authority
N541FA/4	Bell UH-1H	Orange County Fire Authority
N802GA	Piper PA.31-350	Wildman Lake Lodge

Then we drove to Fullerton Airport where we had a pre-arranged visit with the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA). One of their Bell 412's was outside on the apron, so perfect for a photo. A nice bonus was the BK-117 that came in during our visit. It's located next door, so a quick photo was not a problem.

13 November 2015 Long Beach KLGB

(A7-MAN)/N275ZD	C-17A	Qatar Emiri AF
N1454H	Gulfstream G650ER	Hess
N2126X	Piper PA.44-180	Long Beach Flying Club+Flight Academy
N227LJ	SA227AC Metro III	
N240CX	Gulfstream G650	Onex
N28LB	AS350B2 Ecureuil	Long Beach Police
N300BZ	CL-300	Bozzuto's
N317TT	Learjet 35A	Aero Jet Services
N37U	Cessna 414A	Jet Set Aircraft
N3DQ	Cessna 414	Crescent Aviation
N441NC	Robinson R44	Group 3 Aviation
N518GA	Gulfstream G550	Gulfstream
N557JK	Gulfstream III	Global Exec Aviation
N573AT	Piper PA.44-180	ATP Flight School
N601GA	Gulfstream G650	Gulfstream
N617JN	BD-700 Global Express	Apex Oil
N706AM	BAe 125-700A	JFI Jets
N717KV	BAe 125-800XP	
N815SK	CRJ 900LR	Delta Connection
N83AJ	Pilatus PC-12/47E	Beach Aviation

N854GA	Gulfstream G550	Gulfstream
N900TK	Socata TBM-900	Diversified Silicone Products
N906FJ	CRJ 900ER	US Airways Express
N909RF	Cessna 414A	
N9680B	Cessna 208B	Catalina Flying Boats
XC-BCN	Beech 200	Government of Baja California

Plus several JetBlue A320-200.

Then we spent some hours at the parking lot of the DeVry University, along Long Beach's runway 30. An excellent spot to enjoy your afternoon. Most traffic will use this runway and 70-400mm plus a two/three-step ladder is what you will need. Long Beach has a nice variety of some airliners, Gulfstream jets and other GA. Earlier this day one of the last C-17s left the airport for the final time, so I could only note the final C-17.

14 November 2015 Los Angeles KLAX

A6-LRA	Boeing 777-200LR	Etihad Airways
B-16709	Boeing 777-300ER	Eva Air
B-18701	Boeing 747-400F	China Airlines Cargo
B-2020	Boeing 777-300ER	China Eastern
B-2047	Boeing 777-300ER	Air China
B-5902	Airbus A330-200	China Eastern
B-KPG	Boeing 777-300ER	Cathay Pacific
B-KPK	Boeing 777-300ER	Cathay Pacific
C-FMPX	BD-700 Global 5000	Morningstar Partners
C-FWSE	Boeing 737-800	Westjet
C-GWSH	Boeing 737-700	Westjet
D-AIHT	Airbus A340-600	Lufthansa
D-AIME	Airbus A380-800	Lufthansa
G-STBG	Boeing 777-300ER	British Airways
G-VGAS	Airbus A340-600	Virgin Atlantic
HL7635	Airbus A380-800	Asiana Airlines
LN-LNB	Boeing 787-8	Norwegian
N65LR	Learjet 60XR	
N859AM	Boeing 737-800	AeroMexico
N947SW	CRJ 200LR	SkyWest Airlines
N973AV	Airbus A330-200	Avianca

The final hours in the United States were spent at the parking lot of the Proud Bird restaurant and inside the terminal, before boarding flight LH 453 to Munich with the A340.

15 November 2015 Munich-Franz Josef Strauss EDDM

B-6540	Airbus A330-200	Air China
CS-DXZ	Cessna 560XLS	Netjets Europe
D-BMVV	Falcon 2000EX	BMW
G-EMBI	Embraer 145EU	BMI Regional

Plus various types of Lufthansa (Regional).
Transferring to LH 2306, direction Amsterdam.

15 November 2015 Schiphol EHAM

D-AEBK	Embraer 195LR	Lufthansa Regional
G-GATS	Airbus A320-200	British Airways

And that is how another very successful spotting trip to the south west USA came to an end. Just like last year I photographed and noted lots of aircraft in perfect weather conditions with clear blue skies and comfortable temperatures. I went to quite some new airports, but also the airports that I visited for a second time resulted in ample new stuff. Obviously the traffic at LAX wasn't always very exciting with 90% consisting of American, Delta, United (and their regional subsidiaries), Southwest, Alaska and Virgin America, but I photographed a lot of new planes as well.

With the low airfares in mind, it's hard not to think about another trip to this wonderful part of the world in 2016.