

Sydney Seaplanes orders 50 Embraer Eve eVTOLs

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Sydney Seaplanes has agreed to add 50 of Eve Urban Air Mobility's four-passenger eVTOLs to its fleet from 2026. The provisional order, announced today, is the second commitment from a prospective Australian operator in two days, after Queensland-based helicopter operator Nautilus Aviation said it would take 10 of the all-electric aircraft from the Embraer subsidiary.

Like Nautilus, Sydney Seaplanes plans to use the eVTOLs for tourist flights from Sydney Harbour as part of its wider plan to establish all-electric, zero-emissions scheduled flights. In 2020, it announced plans to set up a new regional airline from 2022 with all-electric flights using converted Cessna Caravans using MagniX motors.

"Eve's eVTOL technology will integrate seamlessly with our electric amphibious fleet to deliver a range of tourism and commuter journeys," said Sydney Seaplanes CEO Aaron Shaw. "Subject to community consultation, we expect some flights will operate from our iconic Rose Bay aviation terminal in Sydney Harbour. This service will have a widespread appeal which will allow us to open new routes beyond the harbor and throughout the greater Sydney region." ainonline.com

