

British Airways staff surprise passengers flying into Heathrow arrivals with a festive live performance

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'Working in West End theatre, we are used to training sessions, followed by dress rehearsals, followed by live performances; it's a very tiring process.'

'Some of the British Airways choir swapped their day-jobs of flying a plane or servicing an aircraft, to performing in this choir, all without breaking a sweat.'

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The new lyrics are: 'Deck the halls with boughs of holly; Flying home in style to see our kin

"Tis the season to be jolly; Coming home with tales of where we've been

'Don we now our gay apparel; Whatever the weather never alone

'Troll the ancient Yuletide carol; British Airways always brings us home

'See the blazing yule before us; Flying home in style to see our kin;

'Strike the harp and join the chorus

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The airline will deliver over 1.5million bags across the network from now until December 27, and serve up 100,000 traditional Christmas dinners in-flight.

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