

## **Gulfstream G650 Makes Inaugural Flight**

Gulfstream announced that its newest business jet and the flagship of its fleet, the ultra-large, ultra-long-range Gulfstream G650 successfully completed its inaugural flight on Wednesday, November 25th.

Honeywell content on the newest member of the Gulfstream fleet consists of the Primus Epic<sup>®</sup> integrated avionics system with its award-winning SmartView™ synthetic vision system as standard. Additional systems include the first business jet application of Honeywell's most advanced and newest weather radar system available, IntuVue™, the RE-220 auxiliary power unit, environmental control system, air turbine starter, MCS-7120 satellite communications system and new standby indicator.

Flown by experimental test pilot Jake Howard and senior experimental test pilot Tom Horne, the G650 took off from Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport at 1:41 p.m. local time with flight engineer Bill Osborne on board.

"We are pleased to announce that the G650 successfully completed its first flight today," said Pres Henne, senior vice president, Programs, Engineering and Test, Gulfstream. "Systems were fully operational. The aircraft achieved an altitude of 6,600 feet and a speed of 170 knots. Flight controls and characteristics performed as expected. We consider this flight a success and look forward to pursuing our full flight-test plan."

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