

Viking Air Limited

Aircraft Manufacturing and Repair

Inducted: 2017

Established: 1970
North Saanich, BC.



Headquartered on the Victoria International Airport in North Saanich, BC, Viking Air has a final assembly plant for the Twin Otter in Calgary, Alberta.

Viking Air's sister company, Pacific Sky, operates the Twin Otter Simulator – the world's first full motion, level-D float plane simulator.



Incorporated on Vancouver Island in 1970 by its founder, Nils Christensen, Viking Air initially specialized in the repair and modification of flying boats. This focus changed in 1983 when de Havilland Canada selected Viking as their sole parts producer and distributor of the de Havilland DHC-2 Beaver, and DHC-3 Otter aircraft. Viking also used this manufacturing and design expertise to manufacture components for Boeing, Bell Helicopter Textron, Lockheed Martin and Bombardier Aerospace.

In 2006 Viking acquired the manufacturing rights for all out-of-production de Havilland aircraft; namely the DHC-1 Chipmunk, DHC-2 Beaver, DHC-3 Otter, DHC-4 Caribou, DHC-5 Buffalo, DHC-6 Twin Otter and the DHC-7 Dash 7. As such it is the Original Equipment Manufacturer for these lines and has all responsibility for those products.

Following a hiatus of more than two decades, in 2007 Viking announced the production of a Series 400 Twin Otter. As of mid-2017 more than 100 units have been produced, and a licensing agreement with Reignwood of China assures its continued production for years to come.

With the 2016 purchase of the design and manufacturing rights to the Bombardier CL-215, CL-215T and CL-415 air tanker aircraft, Viking further confirmed its position as a leader in the Canadian manufacturing sector with world-class aerospace products.