

Lucky traveller

- 1 Beth was due to fly from Rochester, New York to Ronald Reagan International Airport in Washington, D.C., at around 5pm when the flight was cancelled. She said: “When my flight was cancelled about eight hours earlier, a confused agent gave me and half the passengers a seat for a plane at 1am in the morning before another agent realized everyone could go on an earlier flight. They made an announcement on the speaker but I’d already left to go back to my parent’s house nearby to wait for the next few hours. I was never contacted about the flight change.”
- 2 She didn’t realise she’d be getting the private jet experience until she arrived back at the airport for the 1am flight. There were just three other people on board – two in the cockpit and one member of cabin crew. The crew weren’t too happy about the situation according to Beth: “It seems the airline forced them to take me because of a mistake made by their travel agent. They didn’t seem thrilled about it. Both captains and the flight attendant said they’ve never seen this happen before.”
- 3 According to Beth the flight attendant still did the safety demonstration, albeit at “double the speed of the sound recording giving instructions,” and did offer refreshments.

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