



Singapore Airshow attracted 120,000 public and trade visitors



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SINGAPORE : The inaugural Singapore Airshow 2008 has come to a close but not before attracting some 90,000 visitors over the weekend to its sold-out show.

More than 30,000 trade visitors also made it to the event.

Among the visitors on Sunday was Singapore President S R Nathan.

He got a close up view of the Airbus A380, currently only being flown commercially by Singapore Airlines.

It was also a smoother flow for visitors at the Airshow on Sunday compared to the previous day.

More shuttle buses ran from Pasir Ris to the venue and organisers said they had improved their traffic management.

The Singapore Airshow site was designed from the ground up and built specifically for the event.

Operating on a 30-year lease means there will be at least 15 shows to look forward to.

This year, the show attracted some 59 of the top aviation companies in the world.

Deals in excess of US\$13 billion were announced and another US\$2.5 billion worth of investments in services and facilities were also brought into Singapore during the show. — CNA/ch

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