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Luxury spaceflight experience company Space Perspective, has started accepting cryptocurrency as payment to reserve flights on Spaceship Neptune.

During the booking process on the company's website, customers may now select crypto as a payment option and will be directed to Coinbase.com to safely and securely complete their transactions.

"The flexibility to pay with crypto is another opportunity for us to differentiate the Space Perspective experience, and we are proud to lead the industry by accepting Coinbase," said Taber MacCallum, founder, co-CEO and chief technology officer at Space Perspective, in a statement.

Space crypto
Space Perspective has also partnered with Cool Effect to offset the carbon footprint of its logistics operations including its Spaceship Neptune flights.

The company will be using a third party to measure the offset each year.
During its inaugural test flight, cameras on board the capsule captured a dazzling image of Earth at sunrise. Image credit: Space Perspective

"Every aspect of a Space Perspective flight is radically gentle, and that includes our impact on the environment," said Jane Poynter, founder, co-CEO and chief experience officer at Space Perspective, in a statement.

"Spaceship Neptune is the only carbon-neutral, zero-emission way to space, and our partnership with Cool Effect will allow us to offset the operations of our carbon footprint each year while contributing to a cleaner planet tomorrow."

Space travel is increasingly catching the attention of curious affluents.

Space Perspective began accepting reservations in June 2021, with tickets priced at $125,000 each (see story). By the end of the year, the company had completed a $40 million Series A financing round, bringing its total amount raised to $48 million.

Commercial flights are targeted to begin in late 2024, with more than 500 tickets already sold. With the first year of seats completely reserved, Space Perspective is now taking reservations for 2025 and beyond.