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## **WARE MALCOMB ANNOUNCES CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETE ON THALES OFFICES, LABS & WORK CAFÉ**

**IRVINE, Calif. (October 5, 2017)** – Ware Malcomb, an award-winning international design firm, today announced construction is complete on the [Thales](#) offices located at 53 Discovery in Irvine, California. Ware Malcomb provided interior architecture & design, branding and civil engineering services for the project.

The 61,000 square foot project for Thales, was designed to accommodate the firm's strategic objectives while reflecting its values of collaboration, innovation and building a community at work.

The design incorporates state-of-the-art technology in a flexible open work environment for both employees and visitors from around the globe. Adhering to the design standards previously developed by Ware Malcomb, the space appeals to a diverse demographic, especially the younger generation of engineers, while providing an efficient facility that embraces new ways for people to work and come together.

A highlight of the new offices is the Customer Experience Center, where Thales' client base of major airlines are invited to participate and experience first-hand Thales' innovative solutions. The Customer Experience Center is designed to accommodate Thales' international clientele, enabling them to set up their own work space in small conference rooms, enjoy access to a coffee bar, snacks and refreshments, and utilize the business center and multicultural prayer room. The space features product displays, video walls, and breakout lounge areas with flat screens. Thales is a global leader in providing cutting-edge connected in-flight entertainment systems and services that enrich the travel experience. The design solution elegantly features a life-sized aircraft fuselage situated at the center of the demonstration area, creating the ultimate interactive experience for visitors.

A full-service cafeteria with a professional kitchen was designed to create an inviting space to be used throughout the day for all campus employees. The café includes a coffee bar and a wide range of seating options for employees to utilize for impromptu collaboration and enhanced socialization.

Ware Malcomb's in-house branding studio successfully translated Thales' corporate culture, products, and client needs into the overall experiential design of the space. The result was a cohesive design that integrates artwork made from legacy inflight entertainment airplane parts, Thales' corporate colors for a connection to the brand, wayfinding signage that reflects the Thales vernacular, and an oceanic palate of blues, greens, and clean white emulating a Southern California aesthetic. The branding was seamlessly incorporated into all aspects of the project including the office environment, Customer Experience Center, lab, work café and outdoor patio.

"To achieve its goals of collaboration and building a strong work community, Thales has embraced an open work environment. The work café is the capstone of the project to enhance the collaborative nature and help foster ingenuity," said Ted Heisler, Vice President, Interior Architecture & Design of Ware Malcomb. "The final result is an innovative, functional space that welcomes employees, clients and visitors alike."

The General Contractor for the project was [Turelk](#).

### **About Ware Malcomb ([waremalcomb.com](http://waremalcomb.com))**

Established in 1972, Ware Malcomb is an international design firm providing planning, architecture, interior design, branding and civil engineering services to commercial real estate and corporate clients. With 22 [office locations](#) throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico and Panama, the firm specializes in the design of commercial office, corporate, industrial, science & technology, healthcare, retail, auto, public/educational facilities and renovation projects. Ware Malcomb was among the top 25 architecture/engineering firms in *Building Design+Construction* magazine's 2016 Giants 300 ranking and the top 40 interior design firms in *Interior Design* magazine's 2017 Top 100 Giants. For more information about Ware Malcomb, please visit [waremalcomb.com/news](http://waremalcomb.com/news) and view the [Design Highlights of 2016](#) and [45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration](#) videos.

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