

## Sir Richard Branson on Virgin's space travel plans



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The space shuttle Atlantis has landed back on Earth, marking the end of America's 30-year programme.

It leaves the country with no means of putting astronauts in orbit but commercial operators for are already making plans.

Sir Richard Branson's Virgin Galactic is hoping to take tourists into space by 2013.

He told the BBC there could also be the possibility of much faster international air travel.

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