### Other Superliner Adventures Await You!

The **Southwest Chief,** traveling between Los Angeles and Chicago by way of Flagstaff, Albuquerque and Kansas City. Amtrak's **Southwest Chief** travels along the historic Santa Fe Trail—past some of the same wonders first glimpsed by the early settlers as they made their way west—the Painted Desert, the Petrified Forest, the Rockies, Rio Grande River and Red Cliffs of New Mexico. Along the way, don't miss the chance to visit the Grand Canyon, Albuquerque or Santa Fe.

The **Sunset Limited**, traveling between Los Angeles and New Orleans, passing through Phoenix, Tucson, El Paso, San Antonio and Houston. Travel the **Sunset Limited** and you'll experience the extraordinary variety of the great Southwest, from Texas oil fields to blue bayous; Indian prairies to mountain ranges; the Alamo to the Superdome.

The California Zephyr, Desert Wind, and Pioneer—three trains traveling between San Francisco, Los Angeles or Seattle, respectively, and Chicago via Salt Lake City and Denver. The California Zephyr, Desert Wind, and Pioneer will take you past some of the most breathtaking sights in America—the Rockies, Sierra Nevadas and other snow-topped mountains and river gorges of the Northwest; the golden sunsets of the West; the beauty of the deserts in the Southwest.

The **Eagle**, taking you between Chicago and San Antonio, with through cars connecting with the **Sunset Limited** at San Antonio and operating to/from Los Angeles. On the **Eagle**, you'll travel through America's heartland, viewing everything from the 110-story Sears Tower and the St. Louis Arch, to riverboats, ghost towns and longhorn cattle.

The **Coast Starlight** travels between Los Angeles and Seattle, taking you through Santa Barbara, Oakland/San Francisco, Sacramento, Eugene and Portland. The **Coast Starlight** will provide you with a front row seat past waterfalls, timberlands, vineyards, and orange groves. Not to mention Mt. St. Helens and the Pacific Ocean.

For more information about any of these trains, or for hotel and tour availabilities along the way, just call 1-800-USA-RAIL, or call your travel agent. And start planning your next Amtrak Adventure!  $_{01-300-076}$ 

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# WELCOME ABOARD

### The Empire Builder





# All Aboard Amírak!

ou're traveling on Amtrak's Superliner train—the Empire Builder. On this route, you'll be traveling between Seattle or Portland and Chicago, by way of Spokane, the great northern plains and Minneapolis/St. Paul.

While on board, you'll be experiencing the utmost in train travel, along with some of the country's most exciting and colorful sights. The Cascade Mountains of Washington or the Columbia River Gorge. Ancient Indian burial grounds. Glacier National Park. The Mississippi River. Ranches, towns and forts right out of history.

The enclosed Empire Builder Route Guide will point out many of the sights, old and new, that you'll see as you travel along the trail that earned railroad magnate James J. Hill the nickname "Empire Builder."

To help you enjoy your trip on the Empire Builder even more, we have prepared this brochure which lists the many services and activities available to you on board the train. You might want to take a few minutes right now to look through it and see what we have to offer. Services and activities may vary by season. Announcements will be made throughout the trip. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask your Attendant or On-Board Service Chief.

Amtrak and your crew are proud to host you on board the Empire Builder, and we'll do everything we can to ensure that you enjoy your trip.

#### The Fun Starts Here!

The Empire Builder features several on-board activities the whole family will enjoy. Listen for announcements for the specific time and location of activities, and most of all—have fun!

Movies in the Sightseer Lounge Car. Feature-length films and other video presentations, including features for children during summer months, will be shown in the Sightseer Lounge Car. Also, to add to your sight-seeing memories, short-subject travelogues about the various destinations along the route will be shown. Listen for announcements on the train for this trip's features and show times.

**Hospitality Hour.** Join your fellow passengers in the Lounge Car for drinks and complimentary snacks. Enjoy good company with old friends and new, and don't forget to ask about your train's regional specialties.

Games. Conducted in the Dining Car. Small prizes will be awarded. Come on down and join in the fun!

# Meet the Crew That Makes the Magic Happen!

The *Conductor* is in charge of all train crew members and is responsible for the collection of tickets and the safe operation of the train. The *Chief of On-Board Service* supervises the on-board service crew and oversees the quality of service to ensure passengers' comfort on board the train.

### Enjoy On-Board Accommodations That Pamper and Please!

**Roomy Coach Seats** 

Stretch out in the comfort of your reclining Coach Seat. Your *Coach Attendant* will see to your needs, provide a pillow, tell you when the train nears your station, and assist you in detraining. Since your Coach Seat is assigned for the length of your journey, please do not change seats without first consulting a crew member. Smoking is permitted only in the rear six rows of the upper level of each Coach.

**Private Sleeping Compartments** 

Amtrak's Superliner Sleeping Cars contain four types of bedrooms: Economy, Family, Special and Deluxe. Each offers you comfortable seating by day and relaxing sleeping accommodations by night. Special and Deluxe Bedrooms include private bathroom facilities within the room, and each Deluxe Room has a private shower.

Your *Sleeping Car Attendant* is there for your convenience and will prepare your room for daytime or nighttime use, as well as help you with luggage and bring room service orders from the Lounge. In the morning, your Attendant will provide a wake-up call, the morning paper, and beverage.

Individual speakers bring you recorded music and train announcements. To enjoy taped misic in your room, turn the channel selector near the reading light to Channel 2 or 3. Train announcements are heard on Channels 1 and 2.

Each first-class passenger receives additional amenities as well as complimentary meals served in the Dining Car.

When space is available, sleeping accommodations may be purchased on board the train from the Conductor.

Dining Car Service\*

The Dining Car features complete meals for breakfast, lunch and dinner, in a comfortable setting. Enjoy freshly prepared dishes, including regional specialties, as you watch America's countryside from wide picture windows. Dinner reservations may be required. A member of the crew will contact you to make reservations. In the Dining Car, the Steward will seat you and present a menu-check on which you will mark your meal selection. Major credit cards are accepted for meal service. Consult your enclosed sample menu for selections and prices. Sorry, there is no smoking in the Dining Car. Listen for announcements of Dining Car hours.

\*While traveling between Spokane and Portland, only light meal service is available through the Lounge Car.

Spectacular Sightseer Lounge Car\*

Enjoy the magnificent scenery along the way from the large picture windows in the Sightseer Lounge Car, and don't forget the sandwiches, snacks and beverages that are available for purchase, too. The Lounge Car is the perfect place to socialize, meet fellow passengers, play games, watch a movie, read, or do some sightseeing! Smoking is permitted in certain designated sections. Lounge Car hours are generally from 6 a.m. to 12 midnight.

\*The Sightseer Lounge Car does not operate between Seattle and Spokane. Snacks and beverages as well as a lounge area are available in the Dining Car.

# Entertaining Games to Play Along the Way!

To add to your enjoyment, the Sightseer Lounge Car also sells a variety of games and souvenir items.

Travel Games—backgammon, checkers and others.

Trivia Card Games—topics include sports, movies, TV, music.

Playing Cards—with colorful Amtrak scenes. Post Cards—set of four Amtrak vistas.

### **Scenic Photo Tips**

OUTSIDE SHOTS: Medium-speed films (ASA 64 or higher) are recommended for shooting scenery through the train windows. If your shutter speed is adjustable, set it at a higher speed (1/125 or 1/250 sec.), if light conditions permit, for the clearest results. Hold your lens as close to the window as possible to eliminate glare and reflections. Because of their very short range, flash units are not effective for outside scenery shots. Your Route Guide provides a wealth of information on sights along the way.

**INSIDE SHOTS:** Flash is recommended for most inside shots. Do not point the flash directly at the windows in order to avoid glare and reflection. Try some shots of life on the train: your Coach or Sleeping Car, family and friends in the Lounge Car, etc.