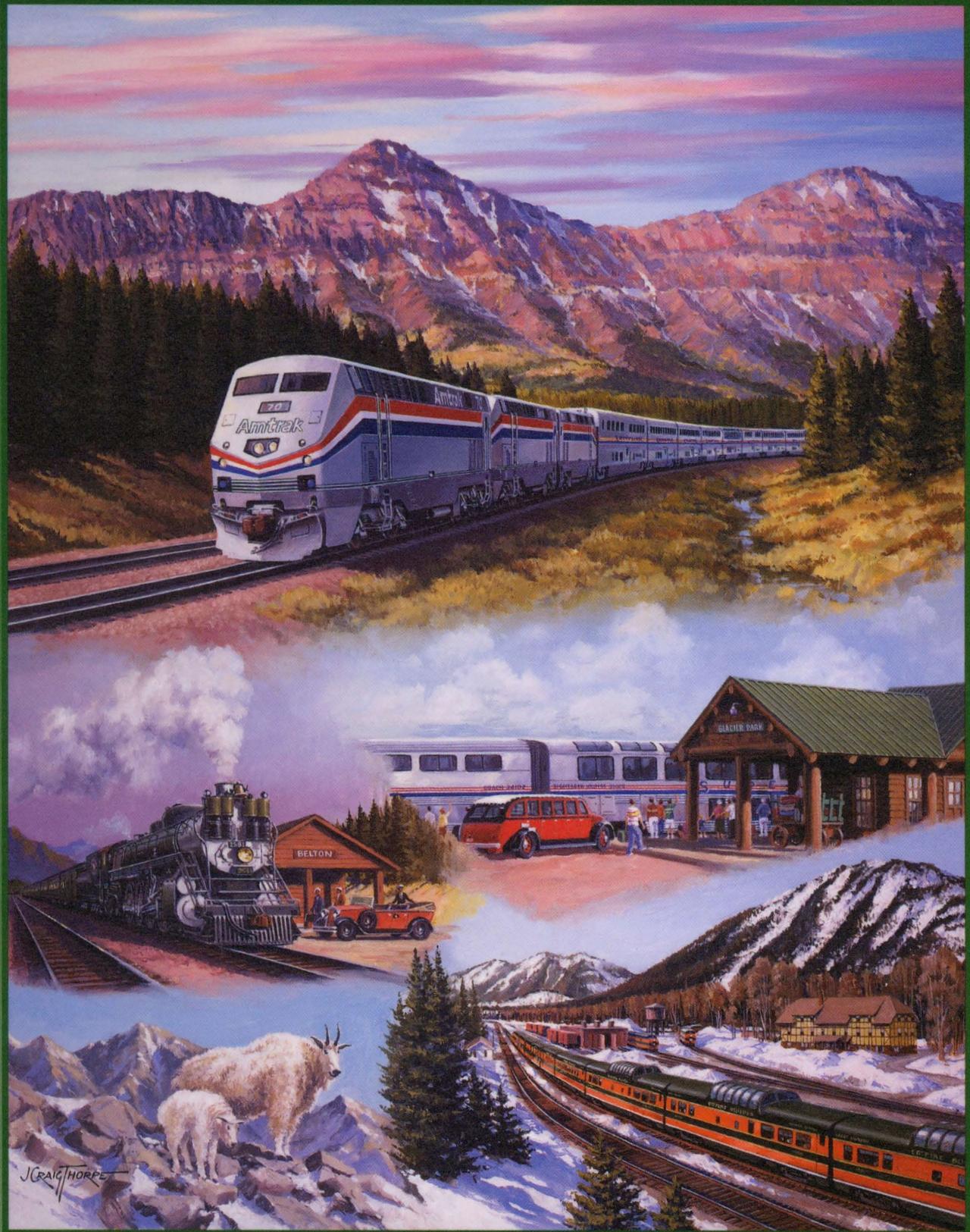


EMPIRE BUILDER



70th Anniversary Commemorative Menu

About the Cover

Introduced in 1929, the Empire Builder is still evoking the magic that is Glacier National Park. Indeed, Glacier remains, in every respect, the quintessential railroad park, renowned both for its scenic grandeur and continuing pact with public transportation.

In this evocative painting by the distinguished artist J. Craig Thorpe, Amtrak commemorates those 70 years of reciprocity and achievement. Top; today's Empire Builder exits Marias Pass, enthraling westbound passengers with a kaleidoscope of towering peaks. Left; under steam in the 1930's, a northern type locomotive departs Belton (West Glacier) with an original version of the train.

Bottom right, the crew house at Essex (now the popular Izaak Walton Inn) is Mr. Thorpe's nostalgic setting for the train as it appeared between 1947 and 1967 (dome cars were added in the 1950's). Above; Amtrak's popular Sightseer lounge graces the train at East Glacier Park station. Note again the rustic architecture, so typical of park buildings, as well as the bright red "jammer." Also in their original design, 34 of these historic, open-air vehicles (the oldest now from 1936) continue to operate within the park.

As a refuge for native wildlife, Glacier is no less successful or significant. Practically alone among our early parks it preserves a flora and fauna in keeping with the nineteenth century West. Amtrak, too, salutes that legacy of conservation, noting the thrill of a million passengers already greeted by eagles, goats, and bears.

Featuring a southernmost passage of the park, nudging the boundary for more than 50 miles, the route further abounds in stream-washed canyons, forested mountains, and romantic isolation. Recalling its proud inheritance from the Great Northern Railway, Amtrak is equally proud to re-announce: "All aboard on the Route of the Empire Builder, between Chicago and the Pacific Northwest via Glacier National Park."

*Alfred Runte, Author,
Trains of Discovery: Western Railroads and the National Parks*

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EMPIRE BUILDER

Good Morning

❖The Builder

Two eggs prepared sunny-side-up, scrambled or over easy.
Served with hash browns and your choice of biscuits or toast.

4.75

Ranch Biscuits & Gravy

For a taste of the Old West, try our sausage gravy served over two fluffy buttermilk biscuits.

4.00

Trail Stack

Three griddle cakes, offered with maple syrup or fruit topping.

4.25

Cereals

Your choice of hot oatmeal or Kellogg's® select breakfast cereals.
Served with 2% milk and toast or biscuit.

3.75

Sides

Bowl of Cut Fruit 2.50

Four Strips of Bacon 1.50

Breakfast Sausage 1.50

Biscuits or Toast 2.00

Hash Brown Potatoes 2.00

Beverages

Coffee 1.00

Regular or Decaffeinated (Free refills)

Tea 1.00

Regular or Herbal (Free refills)

Juice 1.00

Orange, Apple or Tomato

2% Milk 1.00

*Food marked with this symbol less than fully cooked can increase your risk of illness.
If you are especially vulnerable to food born illness, you should only eat seafood, meat and eggs that have been thoroughly cooked.



Passengers holding sleeping car accommodations are entitled to one entree and non-alcoholic beverage.
Dessert is included with lunch and dinner. Alcoholic beverages are available for purchase.



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Lunch

❖ Big Sky Burger

A juicy one-third pound beef patty cooked well done, served with or without American cheese on a toasted bun. Comes with lettuce, sliced tomato, onions, pickle spear and your choice of potato chips or chilled potato salad.

6.25

Give your burger more sizzle with two slices of bacon, add .75

Cascade Burger

The original all vegetable burger served on a toasted bun. Comes with lettuce, sliced tomato, pickle spear, onions and your choice of chips or chilled potato salad.

6.25

The Empire Builder Selection

Your Server will describe today's selection.

5.75

❖ The Western Star

A tender chicken breast, served on a bed of lettuce with an assortment of fresh vegetables.

Served with your choice of dressing.

6.75

Little Wranglers Lunch

(Children 12 and under)

Grilled Cheese Sandwich or Hot Dog - Served with chips and milk or juice and choice of dessert, JELL-O® or pudding.

4.25

See Back Panel for Our Wonderful Desserts!



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Dinner

All entrées served with garden salad, roll and butter

❖ **Lewis & Clark's Beef Selection**

A generous portion of today's specialty, prepared to your preference.
Served with vegetable and your choice of rice or potato.

14.00

❖ **Twin Cities Chicken**

Your server will describe today's selection.
Served with vegetable and your choice of rice or potato.

9.25

❖ **Puget Sound Catch of the Day**

Your server will describe today's selection.
Served with vegetable and your choice of rice or potato.

12.00

Windy City Pasta

Served with fire roasted pepper sauce.

9.00

Young Engineers Dinner

(Children 12 and under)

Chicken Nuggets - Served with dipping sauce, mashed potatoes and vegetables.

Or

Kraft® Macaroni and Cheese with vegetables.

Includes

Choice of milk or juice and JELL-O® or pudding.

5.00

See Back Panel for Our Beverage Selections!



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Desserts

Cheesecake

Served with or without strawberry topping.

2.50

Turtle Pie

A frozen dessert. Vanilla ice cream, chocolate, caramel and pecans in a chocolate cookie crust.

3.00

Beverages

Freshly Brewed Coffee 1.00

Regular or Decaffeinated (Free refills)

Hot Tea 1.00

Regular or Herbal (Free refills)

Ice Tea 1.00

(Free refills)

Milk 1.00

Soda Pop 1.25

Domestic Beer 3.00



Redhook Micro-Brew 3.50

Domestic Wines 187ml - 3.50

Chardonnay, White Zinfandel or Cabernet

Covey Run Premium Wines

Chardonnay - 375ml - 6.75

Merlot - 375ml - 9.25

COVEY RUN

Water is available upon request. • Margarine is available upon request.

All prices include state and local taxes. • Amtrak accepts major credit cards.
Checks are not accepted for amounts of purchase under \$25.00 and must have valid ID.

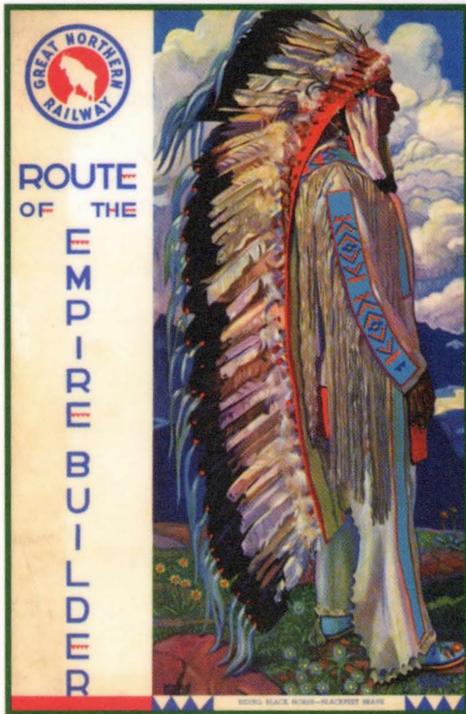


Notable Empire Builder Facts

- 1893, the Great Northern is completed to Seattle. James J. Hill, founder of the Great Northern Railway became known as the "Empire Builder" of whom the train was named in his honor.
- June 11, 1929, the first steam driven heavyweight equipped Empire Builder departs the headquarters of the Great Northern Railway, St. Paul, Minnesota, for Seattle.
- February 7, 1947, the Empire Builder make its debut with new streamlined era equipment, the first to be placed in transcontinental service following the conclusion of World War II.
- June 3, 1951, the Great Northern purchases 5 new sets of Empire Builder equipment replacing the post-war Empire Builder only 4 years old.
- May 29, 1955, dome cars are inaugurated.
- May 11, 1967, the Empire Builder changes colors from the famous Omaha Orange to Big Sky Blue.
- March 2, 1970, the Empire Builder is operated under Burlington Northern, incorporating the former Great Northern, Northern Pacific and Chicago, Burlington & Quincy.
- May 1, 1971, Amtrak proudly takes over ownership and operation.
- September 9, 1979, the Empire Builder is the first Amtrak train to be modernized with new Bi-level Superliner equipment built by Pullman Standard.
- Historically operated between Chicago, Seattle and Portland, the Empire Builder crosses eight states for a total distance of 2206 and 2256 miles, respectively.
- The Empire Builder is the only regularly scheduled passenger train service outside of the state of Alaska serving a major National Park.

In addition to Glacier National Park, scenic districts generally visible in daylight include: Wisconsin Dells, the Mississippi River and the Great Plains. Dividing in Spokane, the Portland section, via Pasco, features the Columbia River Gorge and Mount Hood. The Seattle section via Wenatchee to the north, affords views of the Cascade Mountains and Puget Sound via Stevens Pass.

A New Spirit! Classic Service...Timeless Scenery



Empire Builder Menu Cover circa 1940

Since the late 1920's the Empire Builder has joined East with West and shared in the joy of uniting families and friends across this nation. On June 11, 1999, the Empire Builder celebrates 70 years of service from Chicago to the Pacific Northwest. Amtrak is honored to carry on the spirit of a train that has embraced the Great Northern States of this land. The name, Empire Builder, translates the very history of the regions which it travels. Where in the world could you find a way to follow the footsteps of Lewis and Clark, capture the view of mountain goats in Glacier Park or experience the fragrance of the sea and pine-scented misty Pacific coasts?

As we embark into a new century, we commemorate a transportation showcase that has carried Americans faithfully through a great depression, a world war and a trip to the moon! There is something special about this magnificent train beyond fine food, fine equipment or even the route that takes you through some of America's most spectacular scenery. It is simply the spirit of the Empire Builder...And that...Remains Incomparable!

From the proud crew who serve on-board the Empire Builder and all of us at Amtrak,

Happy Anniversary!



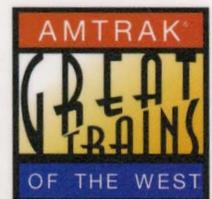
1934



1954



Today!



A train that is a monument to the magnificence of America!