

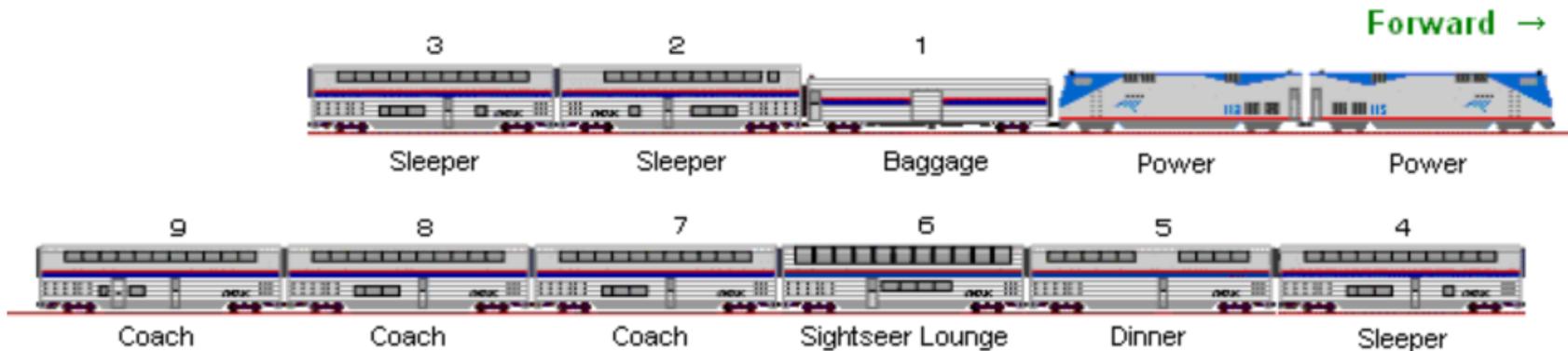
Travel by Amtrak

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Reasons of travel by trains:

- ▶ Arrivals and departures may be easier
- ▶ Sit back and watch the great view
- ▶ Parts of the country accessible only by rail
- ▶ Moving to destination while sleeping overnight
- ▶ More space including private rooms, bathrooms and beds
- ▶ Nice sightseer lounge (observation car)
- ▶ Exclusive dining car

California Zephyr Basic Train Consists



Amtrak's California Zephyr

- ▶ *Route:* Chicago - Denver - Reno – Sacramento – Emeryville (San Francisco)
Travel time: 51 hours, 20 minutes (one way)
Amenities: Dining car, sleeping car, lounge/cafe car
- ▶ Looking out the windows of the [California Zephyr](#), you'll see the same sights that enchanted 19th-century fortune seekers as they rode the first transcontinental railroad line west to San Francisco and dreamed of striking it rich. This historic line takes you through the heart of Gold Rush country's mining and ghost towns to old stagecoach stations that became stops on the original railroad.
- ▶ Rocky Mountain tunnels carry you across the Continental Divide, while aspens and evergreens dot the steep cliffs of Glenwood Canyon on the Colorado River. "I especially enjoyed the scenery," says James S., a Vacations By Rail passenger. "The highlight was an American eagle flying over the Colorado River right next to the train." The journey ends with one last bucket list sight: the Golden Gate Bridge.

Dining and Observation Cars

- Observation car is first come first serve
- Observation car has mini café in lower deck
- Dining car is exclusive for sleepers only

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7x8_OF319Rg
(46''~3'00'')

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Zm8xRhaHdo>



Roomette or Bedroom

- Two comfortable seats by day
- Upper and lower berths by night
- A dedicated Sleeping Car attendant
- Complimentary meals

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rn1aRrfODpw>
(5'00" 8'30" 11'15")

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ms19WuuJqCk>



	Up to 2 Adults
	1-2 Suitcases
	Private Restroom Access In your car
	Private Shower Access In your car
	Room Length 6'6" - 6'8" Room Width 3'6"



	Up to 2 Adults
	1-2 Suitcases
	In-Room Restroom
	In-Room Shower
	Room Length 7'1" - 7'6" Room Width 6'6" - 6'8"

Breakout Room Questions :

1. Do you like traveling by train? How will you spend time in it?
Reading, listening, meditation?
2. Which route or journey are you interested in?
3. What kinds of transportation do you prefer?
Cars, buses, cruise or flights?
4. Are you nervous of chatting with people you just met on dining table?
5. Do you think you will enjoy sleeping overnight in a train?
6. Is observation deck awesome? What are you going to do on it?

Amtrak's Coast Starlight

- ▶ *Route:* Seattle - Portland - Los Angeles
Travel time: 36 hours (one way)
Amenities: Dining car, sleeping car, lounge/cafe car, Pacific Parlour car
- ▶ Travelers come from around the world to experience this gorgeous West Coast train journey. Amtrak's most popular long-distance route and widely regarded as the most stunning, [Coast Starlight](#) welcomed more than 455,000 passengers last year.
- ▶ The Coast Starlight whisks you past waterfalls, lush forests, snowy Cascade Mountains and the Puget Sound. To see long stretches of Pacific shoreline — views you won't get from the highway — book a seat on the west side of the train. If you upgrade from coach to a small private room with beds you'll have upgraded dining and access to the Pacific Parlour Car with its dome windows and evening wine and cheese parties. Want to extend your trip to San Diego? Connect to the popular Pacific Surfliner train at L.A.'s Union Station.

Amtrak's Empire Builder

- ▶ *Route:* Chicago - St. Paul/Minneapolis - Spokane - Portland/Seattle
Travel time: 46 hours (one way)
Amenities: Dining car, sleeping car, lounge/cafe car
- ▶ Tracing portions of the Lewis & Clark Trail from America's heartland to the Pacific Northwest, the Empire Builder is a great way to see the United States. You'll cross the Mississippi River, venture into Montana's Big Sky country and pass Glacier National Park.
- ▶ From Spokane, you can either head south along the Columbia River Gorge to Portland or cut through the Cascade Mountains north to Seattle's Puget Sound. Along the way, mountain passes are marked with lofty trestles and long tunnels, while rivers feature hydroelectric dams and salmon fish ladders. During spring and summer, an onboard volunteer National Park Service ranger shares facts about the landscape. There are plenty of 20-minute stops where you can get out and stretch your legs — or pick up a pizza delivery.

Amtrak's Southwest Chief

- ▶ *Route:* Chicago - Albuquerque - Los Angeles
Travel time: 40+ hours (one way)
Amenities: Dining car, sleeping car, lounge/cafe car
- ▶ On these rails once ran the nation's first all-Pullman sleeping car train, dubbed the "Train of the Stars" for the celebrity passengers that frequented it in the late 1930s.
- ▶ Today, the Southwest Chief follows that same route between Los Angeles and Chicago. Book a sleeping car and enjoy the thrilling curves and switchbacks that lead to some of America's most iconic sights: the Santa Fe Trail, Sedona's red cliffs, pueblos and missions, the Grand Canyon, and the Continental Divide in the Rocky Mountains. Tucked among the grandeur of the American West you'll find beauty in modest, everyday living, too. Watch farmers harvesting expansive wheat fields and dogs playing in back yards. From the window of a train it's fascinating to see how different people live in different parts of the country.