



**HOLLAND AMERICA ZAANDAM®**

# PACIFIC COASTAL ODYSSEY

San Diego • San Francisco • Vancouver • Holland America Cruise Line's Zaandam® • The Southwest Chief • The Empire Builder

Relive the excitement of the **Santa Fe Trail** crossing New Mexico and Arizona on the **Southwest Chief**.

Five nights aboard the beautiful **Holland America Zaandam®**.

**San Diego** is a paradise on earth. It's one of America's premier cities and California's historic birthplace. Our sightseeing tour includes downtown's renowned Gaslamp Quarter, the Embarcadero, Balboa Park, Old Town and the famed Hotel Del Coronado.

In everyone's favorite city by the bay, **San Francisco**, you'll have many options including Chinatown, Golden Gate Park, the Mission District, Telegraph Hill, the Presidio and Fisherman's Wharf.

The **Empire Builder's** routing near **Glacier National Park** will highlight our relaxing return trip from Seattle to Chicago.

**A VALID PASSPORT IS REQUIRED FOR THIS TOUR**

Days 1-3 ..... Chicago to San Diego  
 Day 4..... Embarkation / The Zaandam  
 Day 5..... Cruising

Day 6..... San Francisco  
 Days 7-8 ..... Cruising  
 Day 9..... Vancouver to Seattle  
 Days 10-11 ..... En Route to Chicago

## TOUR DATE(S):

2018

Sat., April 28 to Tues., May 8

## TOUR PRICE:

*All prices are per person / double occupancy unless otherwise stated.*

**\$2,995 - 11 Days**

Upgrades:

Bedroom on Amtrak + \$895

Ocean View Stateroom + \$100

Vista Suite Stateroom + \$300

**SINGLE \$4,095**

Upgrades:

Ocean View Stateroom + \$200

Vista Suite Stateroom + \$600

## FLY OPTION - Fly to San Diego / Return from Vancouver 7 Days

Price: \$1,995

Single: \$2,395

America by Rail will be happy to arrange your flights. Airfare is not included in above price.

## YOUR TRIP INCLUDES:

- Round-trip transportation by Amtrak, Holland America Cruise Line and connecting motor-coach.
- Private Roomette on the trains for four nights.
- Inside stateroom on the Zaandam for five nights.
- First class hotel accommodations for one night.
- Sightseeing tour in San Diego.
- Baggage handling, taxes & tips.
- 26 meals.
- All gratuities are included: rail, cruise, motorcoach.
- Services of a professional America by Rail Tour Director.

**NOTE: Refer to deposit and cancellation policy for Rail / Sail Tours on Page 130.**

## PACIFIC COASTAL ODYSSEY

### Day 1: Depart Chicago

**P**acific Coastal Odyssey tour members will meet the Tour Director in Chicago's Union Station. The Metropolitan Lounge will be our base in Chicago. The Willis Tower, one of the world's tallest buildings is close by. Other Chicago attractions are a short cab ride away.

We'll board the Southwest Chief for its 3:00 p.m. departure. Relax in your private Roomette sleeping accommodations. Bedrooms are available at an additional cost. Bottled water, juice and coffee are available in the sleeping cars. Enjoy a full-course dinner in the dining car.

You will want to spend time in the Sightseer Lounge where the glass windows rise from floor level to the ceiling. It is a great place to view the passing scenery. **D**

### Day 2: En Route

Last night we traveled across the state of Kansas. We will be near the Colorado border when you awaken. Today you will experience the excitement of the Santa Fe Trail as we cross New Mexico and Arizona. You will have time for a train-side walk when we arrive in Albuquerque at mid afternoon. **B, L & D**

### Day 3: Los Angeles / San Diego

You'll want to have an early breakfast, our arrival into Los Angeles is scheduled for 8:15 a.m. We will board the Pacific Surfliner for the 9:55 a.m. departure.

We'll travel 128 miles along the beautiful Pacific Ocean coastline to San Diego on a Pacific Surfliner from Los Angeles to San Diego.

Upon arrival we will board our deluxe motorcoach and transfer to the beautiful, waterfront Seaport Village for an "on-your-own" lunch. You will have time to visit some of the unique stores.

At 2:00 p.m. we will set out on a sightseeing tour of San Diego. Our tour includes downtown's renowned Gaslamp Quarter, the Embarcadero, Balboa Park, Old Town and the famed Hotel Del Coronado.

Following our tour we will check into the Best Western Plus Hacienda Hotel Old Town, our home for the night. **B**

### Day 4: Embarkation

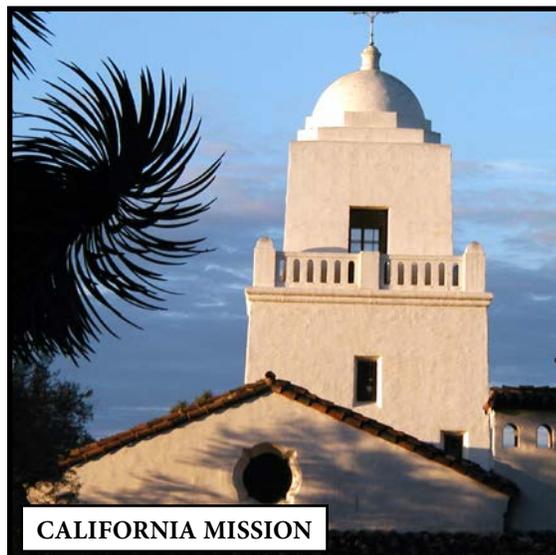
You're free this morning to relax or explore. At 12:00 p.m. we'll transfer to the cruise ship terminal where we'll board the beautiful Holland America Zaandam. We will set sail at 11:00 p.m.

Holland America Line has been a recognized leader in the cruising industry for over 137 years. Innovative programs and superior amenities have earned them the prestigious Five Star Diamond Award from The American Academy of Hospitality Sciences and one of the highest rates of repeat guests in the industry.

You'll discover a wealth of both fun and enriching activities: partake in as many—or as few—as you like. Enjoy delicious cuisine from a broad range of dining venues, enjoy a casual bite poolside to a formal five-course dinner.

Led by Master Chef Rudi Sodamin, the exceptional culinary staff creates signature Holland America Line dishes using only the freshest produce and the highest quality meats and seafood available.

Following dinner you can choose from a variety of evening entertainment. Catch a musical production show, dance the night away, visit one of the many lounges featuring live music and award-winning entertainment, watch a first-run movie in the theater or try your luck at the casino. **CB & D**



CALIFORNIA MISSION



SAN FRANCISCO

### Day 5: Cruising

Ahh, now this is relaxing! There is as much or as little as you care to do. The Daily Program delivered to your stateroom each night will be your guide to the following day's activities and events. Activities include language classes, bingo, cruise staff-conducted trivia and sports (ping pong, putting and chipping, etc.) competitions, movie screenings (with freshly popped popcorn), art auctions and casino tournaments. And of course you can always just curl up with a good book as the blue Pacific Ocean drifts by. **B, L & D**

### Day 6: San Francisco

This morning we arrive in San Francisco, everyone's favorite "City by the Bay."

*Sample optional shore excursions include: Scenic San Francisco, Muir Woods and Sausalito, Hop-on Hop-off San Francisco Highlights, Hop-on Hop-off San Francisco Highlights & Golden Gate Bay Cruise, San Francisco & Sausalito. B, L & D*

### Days 7 & 8 : Cruising

Relax and enjoy the amenities of the ship. **B, L & D**

### Day 9: En Route

This morning we'll arrive in Vancouver, B.C. where we will disembark.

Upon arrival we will board our motorcoach and travel to Seattle.

We will arrive at Seattle's King Street Amtrak station in time to board the Empire Builder. Departure is scheduled for this afternoon.

Roomette sleeping accommodations and all dining car meals are included. Upgrades to Bedrooms are available for an additional cost.

After settling in you can enjoy the beautiful Puget Sound scenery between Seattle and Everett. **B & D**

### Day 10: En Route

Enjoy a delicious dining car breakfast and then head for the Sightseer Lounge car. Today a dramatic panorama of snow-capped Rocky Mountain peaks will begin to rise above the horizon, becoming increasingly dynamic as we approach Glacier National Park. The scenery is striking as we wind past waterfalls, river gorges and other sights. The rest of the day we'll cross the remote flatlands of eastern Montana and western North Dakota. **B, L & D**

### Day 11: En Route to Chicago

Breakfast and lunch on the train are included. After we go through Minneapolis-St. Paul we head south along the west bank of the Mississippi River. The train winds between the river bank and high bluffs. Later in the morning, we pass through the picturesque Dells Country of Wisconsin. The Empire Builder is scheduled to arrive in Chicago's Union Station late this afternoon.

At the conclusion of the tour some travelers will continue to home destinations. Others will spend the night in Chicago and continue home tomorrow. **B & L**

*"WE WERE PAMPERED,  
EDUCATED AND ENTERTAINED."*

MIKE W.  
PLYMOUTH, WI



RELAX BY THE POOL

# GENERAL INFORMATION RAIL/SAIL TOURS

## REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT:

A deposit of \$500 per person is due at time of reservation, \$100 of which is non-refundable. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure.

## TOUR CANCELLATIONS:

For cancellations received within 90 days of departure the following per person penalty applies:

- 76-90 days prior to departure: 25% of total tour cost.
- 61-75 days prior to departure: 50% of total tour cost.
- 31-60 days prior to departure: 75% of total tour cost.
- 30 days or less prior to departure through duration of the tour: 100% of total tour cost.

The total tour cost includes tour price, add-ons and upgrades.

Air cancellations after ticketing are subject to the carrier's policy.

Refunds will be made approximately 30 days after the conclusion of the tour.

Payment / cancellation exceptions are noted on tours.

All pricing is per person / double occupancy unless otherwise stated.

## OUR PRICE INCLUDES:

### TRANSPORTATION

Rail transportation over the tour route and motorcoach, van, or other modes of transportation where specified in the tour.

### RAIL ACCOMMODATIONS

All tours except those categorized as Coach Class include private Roomette on Amtrak overnight trains and Bedrooms (double occupancy) or Roomettes (single occupancy) on VIA Rail Canada overnight trains. Bedrooms on Amtrak are available at an additional cost. Reclining coach seats are included on U.S. and Canadian trains used only during the daytime except for those categorized as Coach Class. Coach Class tours include reclining coach seats with leg rests on Amtrak trains. Meals on the trains are included for those traveling Coach Class on the North American tours as indicated in the itinerary.

### CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Rail / Sail tours include inside staterooms (double occupancy) on cruise ships. Upgraded staterooms may be available at an additional cost.

### HOTELS

Accommodations are based on two persons sharing a room. Two-bedded rooms are provided in most instances. However, sometimes their availability is limited. If a two-bedded room is required, please notify America by Rail at the time of registration.

America by Rail reserves the right to substitute hotels for those named in any tour description, when necessary. Every effort is made to have hotel rooms available for double occupancy upon arrival. There may be instances when rooms are not available until later.

### SINGLE ROOMS

Single rooms at hotels and Amtrak Roomettes on a single basis are available at a single cost.

### SIGHTSEEING / ADMISSIONS

Sightseeing, as outlined in the itineraries, will be provided by motorcoaches in most instances. Admission fees are included as specified. Sightseeing tour arrangements may be altered if required.

### MEALS

All included meals are listed in the tour itinerary. Persons requiring a special diet must inform America by Rail at the time of registration. Not all restaurants / trains will be able to honor special requests. Due to events beyond our control, trains are sometimes delayed and supplies may become limited. If you have special dietary requirements, please make sure you have a sufficient supply of nourishment to meet your dietary needs.

In the itineraries, the meals are listed at the end of each day using CB for Continental breakfast, B for breakfast, L for lunch, and D for dinner.

## BAGGAGE

For your convenience and to expedite movement, baggage handling is limited to one suitcase per person. Transfer and portage of one suitcase per person is included at overnight stopovers. On most tours the one suitcase per person is handled by America by Rail and is checked through to the next destination. An overnight bag is used while en route. America by Rail is not responsible for loss or damage to your baggage or for any lost, stolen or destroyed item. Specified transfers between rail stations and hotels are included.

## TOUR DIRECTORS

Services of a qualified America by Rail Tour Director are included for all matters pertaining to the tour. Tour Directors will meet all tour members at the origination city.

## TIPS AND TAXES

All gratuities to hotel staff (except to chambermaids), sightseeing guides and drivers are included. Gratuities for sleeping car attendants and meals aboard the train are included. Gratuities for meals specified in the tour itinerary are included on escorted portions of the tour. Gratuities for cruise ship stateroom stewards and dining waitstaff are included.

## TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

Transportation and tips between your home city and the official origination city; charges for excess baggage; health, accident or baggage insurance; tips to chambermaids and for personal services; items of a personal nature such as laundry; meals, except those specified as included; gratuities for special services; charges for room service, and alcoholic beverages with included meals.

Gratuities for the America by Rail Tour Directors are at your discretion; \$3-\$10 per person per day is the industry standard. They should be extended on an individual basis, not as a group.

## RAIL SCHEDULES:

The routing and features described in tour descriptions may be altered to adjust to rail schedules in effect at the time of the tour. America by Rail reserves the right to substitute motorcoach or air travel for unavailable rail schedules, misconnections, delays or other causes.

## TRAVEL DOCUMENTS:

A valid passport will be required for any trip crossing international borders. i.e. into or out of the United States. At time of reservation we will need your date of birth; gender, passport number, passport expiration date and issuing country.

## HEALTH, MOBILITY AND FITNESS TO TRAVEL:

America by Rail will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of tour participants. Such participants, however, should be aware that the Americans with Disabilities Act is inapplicable outside of the United States and facilities outside the United States for disabled individuals are limited. Any type of disability requiring special provisions must be reported to America by Rail at the time of registration. America by Rail is not required to provide participants with personal devices, such as wheelchairs or individually prescribed devices such as prescription eyeglasses, or to provide services of a personal nature including assistance in eating, toileting or dressing. Accordingly, all participants are responsible to participate without assistance of the America by Rail Tour Director or other attendant. Tour Directors are prohibited from providing physical assistance or accommodations (beyond normal civil courtesies, such as holding doors open for passing). It is recommended that participants requiring assistance, including those requiring the use of a mobility device, be accompanied by a travel companion who will be responsible to provide required assistance. Participants will be asked to submit a confidential medical form for each tour. Those travelling with oxygen are required to advise America by Rail at least two weeks prior to departure. Amtrak requires all equipment, including oxygen concentrators, must be able to operate a minimum of four hours without available onboard electrical power (in the event of a power disruption onboard). Oxygen equipment must be

Underwriter's Laboratory (UL) or Factory Mutual (FM) listed. The total weight of all tanks may not exceed 120 lbs. Within this limit, no more than 2 tanks 50 lb each, or no more than 6 tanks 20 lbs each

## SMOKING:

Smoking is not permitted on America by Rail motorcoaches. Those who smoke may do so at any of the frequent stops we make. All Amtrak and VIA Rail trains are entirely smoke-free. If time is available at station stops, it will be announced by the conductor. Cruise ships policies vary from line to line, but all have designated areas to accommodate smokers.

## PLEASE NOTE:

America by Rail reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to accept or retain any individuals as members of the tour. The acceptance of any service provided as part of an America by Rail tour, or any ticket or voucher, shall be deemed to be acceptance of and consent to these conditions.

All rates published herein are in U.S. dollars and based on tariffs and exchange rates in effect on the printing date of the tour brochure. Prices and arrangements are subject to change without notice.

No persons, other than a representative of America by Rail, authorized by a document in writing, may vary, add or waive any term or condition set forth in the preceding provisions.

A \$50 per person fee will be assessed for each itinerary alteration requested after final arrangements are confirmed.

It is our company policy to issue a tour roster to all tour participants containing all tour participants' names and addresses. If you do not want your address included, you must let us know at time of reservation.

Times, schedules, entertainment and activities are subject to change without notice.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING FUEL SUPPLEMENT:

Please be advised America by Rail reserves the right to apply a fuel supplement for all guests should the price of oil warrant it.

## RESPONSIBILITY CLAUSE:

America by Rail acts only in the capacity as an agent for the owners and contractors providing means of transportation, hotel or other services. All tour services, tickets and vouchers are subject to any and all terms and conditions under which such means of transportation, hotel or other services are offered or provided. America by Rail shall not be or become liable or responsible in any way whatsoever, for any loss, injury or damage from acts of God, sickness, theft, weather, strikes, war, or quarantine however caused or arising.

America by Rail reserves the right to cancel a tour in the event tour participation does not meet minimum requirements.

America by Rail shall not be obligated to honor any booking resulting from, nor shall be responsible or liable whatsoever in connection with, misprints or errors of any kind, whether in brochures, advertisements, on the Internet, during the booking process or otherwise, that result in traveler being undercharged for the tour. America by Rail reserves the right, prior to departure, to collect the correct fare or cancel the booking and refund any payment made by traveler.

## AMTRAK STATEMENT:

The National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) is not to be held responsible for any act, omissions, or event during the time passengers are not on board their trains or conveyance. The passenger contract in use of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) and purchaser of these tours and / or passenger. All conditions are subject to the laws of the District of Columbia, U.S.A.

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