



THIS TOUR IS LIMITED TO 27 PASSENGERS

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YELLOWSTONE / YOSEMITE WINTER MAGIC

Salt Lake City • Jackson Hole • Grand Tetons • Yellowstone and Yosemite National Parks • Colorado Rockies

Experience Yellowstone winter magic aboard a luxurious Krystal Snow Yacht!

Spend a day viewing the spectacular scenery of the **Colorado Rockies** between Denver and Grand Junction as our train eases between towering mountains.

In **Salt Lake City** we'll discover major attractions such as the Mormon Temple, Winter Olympic sites and several gardens. Attend a live radio broadcast of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

No mountain range is more impressive than the **Grand Teton Range**. Peaks rise abruptly with no foothills.

Yellowstone National Park is a two-million acre natural "jewel."

Yosemite National Park is one of America's most popular destinations. You'll see its winter splendor as few people do.

Travel first-class for 4600 miles on the **California Zephyr**, Chicago to Salt Lake City and Los Angeles to Chicago on the **Southwest Chief**.

Days 1-2Chicago to Salt Lake City
Day 4.....Salt Lake City / Jackson Hole
Day 5.....Grand Tetons
Day 6.....Yellowstone
Day 7.....En Route

Day 8.....En Route / Sacramento
Day 9.....En Route / Yosemite
Day 10.....Yosemite
Day 11.....Los Angeles
Days 12-13En Route to Chicago

TOUR DATE(S):

2018

Thurs. Jan. 25 to Tues., Feb. 6

TOUR PRICE:

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

\$4,295 - 13 Days

Upgrade: Bedroom + \$995

SINGLE \$5,795

FLY OPTION - Fly to Salt Lake City, return from Los Angeles. 10 Days

Price: \$3,395

Single: \$4,195

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

YOUR TRIP INCLUDES:

- Round trip transportation by rail and deluxe motorcoach.
- Private Roomette sleeping accommodations on the train for four nights.
- First-class hotel accommodations for eight nights.
- 26 meals.
- Sightseeing tours and admission to all included attractions.
- Baggage handling, taxes & tips.
- Services of a professional America by Rail Tour Director.

AMERICA BY RAIL WILL BE HAPPY TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR CONNECTING TRANSPORTATION TO CHICAGO AND BACK BY RAIL OR AIR.

Day 1: Depart Chicago

Yellowstone / Yosemite Winter Magic tour members will meet the Tour Director in Chicago's Union Station. At 1:15 p.m. we'll prepare to board the famous California Zephyr. Departure is at 2:00 p.m. The Zephyr features double-decker Superliner equipment. Relax in your comfortable private Roomette sleeping accommodations. Bedrooms are available at an additional cost. After settling in, you may want to go to the glass-walled Sightseer Lounge car to view the winter scenery. All meals on the train are included beginning with dinner tonight. **D**

Day 2: En Route

When you awaken this morning you may look out your window toward the West to experience the sight of the towering, majestic Colorado Rockies in the distance. Plan to get up early, have a piping hot breakfast in the dining car and find a seat in the glass-walled Sightseer Lounge car for the spectacular winter scenery that will unfold before you today.

The Zephyr will pull out of Denver at 7:15 a.m. and begin its climb over the Front Range toward the Continental Divide. Throughout the day the train will wind around sharp mountain curves and through numerous tunnels. Thrill to the awesome ice and snow-covered streams hundreds of feet below.

We'll arrive in Salt Lake City around 11:05 p.m. Upon arrival, we'll transfer to the DoubleTree Suites, our attractive hotel for the next two nights. **B, L & D**

Day 3: Salt Lake City

Following an included hot breakfast buffet, an expert local guide will join us to tour the beautiful Salt Lake City area. The city was founded in 1847 by Mormon pioneers led by Brigham Young. View the Mormon Temple, the Utah State Capitol and some of the sites used for the 2002 Winter Olympic Games. America by Rail travelers will also visit the Utah Olympic Park, a training center for the USA Winter



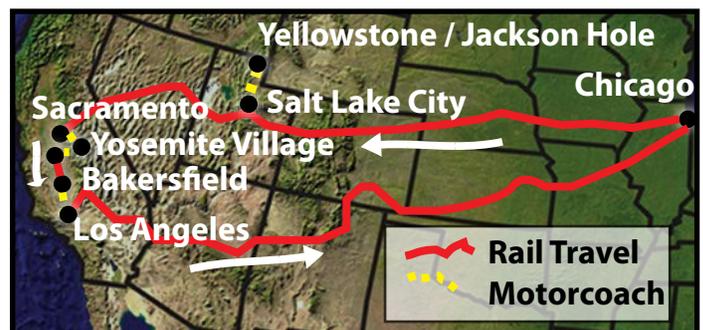
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Olympic Team. There will be time for an "on-your-own" lunch.

We'll return to our hotel in Salt Lake City. Tonight we will enjoy an included welcome dinner. **B & D**

Day 4: Salt Lake City / Trail Center / Jackson Hole

Our day will begin with a live broadcast by the world-renowned Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Following the broadcast, we'll board our deluxe motorcoach and travel into Wyoming, passing through farming and range lands. At the National Oregon/California Trail Center, we'll learn about this historic pioneer route and what life was like traveling by wagon train! Lunch today is included. We continue to the ranching and resort center of Jackson, Wyoming. Our home for the night is The Lodge at Jackson Hole. **B & L**



Day 5: Grand Teton Range

Following an included full breakfast this morning, we'll visit the National Elk Reserve. Enjoy a horse-drawn sleigh ride through the scenic Reserve.

No mountain skyline is more impressive than that of the Grand Teton Range where peaks rise abruptly with no foothills.

We'll continue to beautiful West Yellowstone where we'll check into the Holiday Inn West Yellowstone, our home for the next two nights. Dinner tonight is included at Madison Crossing. **B & D**

Day 6: Yellowstone

We'll enjoy a highlight of our trip today as we set off in a 30 passenger, luxury "Krystal Snow Yacht" to explore Yellowstone National Park. This fully narrated and guided tour travels to Old Faithful and back. Time permitting, stops can be made at Madison Junction, Fountain Paint Pot, Fountain Flat Rock, Biscuit Basin and wildlife stops.

A boxed lunch is provided for our stop at Old Faithful.

We will return to our hotel for the evening. Dinner is included tonight. **B, L & D**

Day 7: En Route

Following an included breakfast we will board our deluxe motorcoach for Salt Lake City. An "on-your-own" lunch stop will be made en route.

Dinner will be included in Salt Lake City.

We'll board the westbound California Zephyr for Sacramento, scheduled to depart at 11:30 p.m. Relax in your private Superliner sleeping accommodations. **B & D**

Day 8: En Route / Sacramento

Enjoy a full-course dining car breakfast and lunch. This morning we'll begin our scenic ascent of the snow covered Sierra Nevada Mountains through the famous Donner Pass. From snowy rugged terrain and pine trees to lush greenery and palm trees, our arrival in California's capitol city, Sacramento, is scheduled for 2:13 p.m. Upon arrival, we'll board a deluxe motorcoach and transfer to the Holiday Inn Capitol Plaza, our hotel for



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this evening. There are numerous restaurants close to our hotel for an "on your own" dinner this evening. **B & L**

Day 9: En Route / Yosemite

This morning we'll board our deluxe motorcoach and continue to Yosemite National Park. Later this afternoon we'll check into the Yosemite Valley Lodge. (Once or twice during the winter months, the road to Yosemite may be closed due to snow accumulations. In the unlikely event our group should encounter such a condition, we will again overnight in Sacramento and tomorrow visit the California State Railroad Museum, the country's most extensive collection of rail equipment and memorabilia.) **B**

Day 10: Yosemite

This morning we'll take a two-hour narrated sightseeing tour of the park. El Capitan, Bridalveil Falls, Yosemite Falls and Half Dome are some of the most popular attractions.

Upon the completion of our Yosemite tour, we'll travel to Merced where we'll enjoy an included dinner and then transfer to the Merced Amtrak station. At 7:19 p.m. we'll board a San Joaquin train for Bakersfield, arrival is scheduled for 10:25 p.m. and we'll transfer to the Hilton Garden Inn. **D**

Day 11: En Route

Following an included hot breakfast buffet, we'll depart Bakersfield by motorcoach and travel over I-5 to Los Angeles. We'll embark on a sightseeing

tour and encounter many famous attractions. We'll see Beverly Hills, West Hollywood and visit Hollywood's Walk of Fame where you see the hand and foot prints of the stars! We'll visit the Hollywood & Highland Center home of the TCL Chinese Theatre (formerly Grauman's and Mann's Chinese Theatres) and the Dolby Theatre (formerly Kodak Theatre), home of the Academy Awards. We'll enjoy an on-your-own lunch at the famous Farmers Market with a variety of food, fresh fruit and baked goods as well as post cards and souvenirs.

Our tour will end at Los Angeles Union Station where we'll board Amtrak's Southwest Chief for the 6:10 p.m. departure for Chicago. You'll again enjoy private-room sleeping accommodations, all the train meals and other amenities experienced on your westbound train. Count on a full-course dining car dinner upon departure. **B & D**

Day 12: En Route

You'll want to take advantage of the fascinating scenery of Arizona and New Mexico we will pass by during the day. The Sightseer Lounge is the best vantage point. **B, L & D**

Day 13: En Route to Chicago

The Southwest Chief is scheduled to arrive in Chicago at 3:15 p.m. Some members will change to trains bound for Midwest, Eastern and Southern home cities. Others will stay overnight and fly home tomorrow. **B & L**

GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT:

A deposit of \$200 per person, of which \$100 per person is non-refundable, is required to finalize registration. The balance is due 75 days prior to departure. If payments are not received by the due date(s) specified, reservations may be cancelled without notice.

TOUR CANCELLATIONS:

If cancellation is received by America by Rail more than 75 days prior to departure, \$100 of your deposit will be retained. For cancellations received within 75 days of departure, the following per person cancellation fees apply:

- 46-75 days prior to departure:
25% of total tour cost.
- 15-45 days prior to departure:
50% of total tour cost.
- 14 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.

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.

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

TRANSPORTATION

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

TRAIN 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.

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 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 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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