YELOWSTONE / YOSEMITE WINTER MAGIC

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

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 mountain peaks.

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

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.” You’ll explore the park in a 30 passenger luxury “Krystal Snow Yacht.”

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

Travel 4,600 miles aboard Amtrak’s California Zephyr and the Southwest Chief.

Days 1-2 ....................Chicago to Salt Lake City
Day 3.......................Salt Lake City
Day 4.......................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 12-13 ..........En Route to Chicago
**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. The Zephyr features double-decker Superliner equipment. Relax in your comfortable reclining coach seat with leg rest. Roomettes or Bedrooms may be available at an additional cost and include dining car meals. After settling in, you may want to go to the glass-walled Sightseer Lounge car to view the winter scenery. Tonight you can enjoy an optional full-course dinner in the dining car; lighter fare is available in the lounge car.

**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 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 8:05 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 go 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 by Hilton, our attractive home for the next two nights.

**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 Salt Lake 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 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.

**DAY 4: SALT LAKE CITY / TRAIL CENTER / JACKSON HOLE**

Our day will begin with a live broadcast by the world-renowned Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square. Following the broadcast we’ll board our deluxe motorcoach and travel to 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, WY. Our home for the night is The Lodge at Jackson Hole.

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**TOUR PRICE:**

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

$3,495 - 13 Days

Upgrades:  
Roomette + $895  
Bedroom + $1,795

**SINGLE:** $4,195

Upgrade:  
Roomette + $1,790

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

Price: $3,295  
Single: $3,995

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.
- Reclining coach seat with leg rest on Amtrak for four nights.
- First-class hotel accommodations for eight nights.
- 14 meals.
- Sightseeing tours and admission to all included attractions.
- Baggage handling, taxes & tips.
- Services of a professional America by Rail Tour Director.
Day 5: Grand Teton Range

Following an included full breakfast this morning, we’ll visit the National Elk Reserve and 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 Kelly Inn, our home for the next two nights. Dinner tonight is included at Madison Crossing. B & D

Day 6: Yellowstone

Following breakfast we’ll enjoy a highlight of our trip 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 will be made at Madison Junction, Fountain Paint Pot, Fountain Flat Rock, Biscuit Basin and wildlife locations.

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

We will return to our hotel for the evening. Dinner is included tonight at Bullwinkles. 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 enroute.

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. Enjoy the same amenities you experienced on the westbound train. B & D

Day 8: En Route / Sacramento

This morning we’ll begin our scenic ascent of the snow covered Sierra Nevada Mountains through the infamous 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 Embassy Suites Sacramento, our hotel for this evening. There are numerous restaurants close to our hotel for an “on your own” dinner.

Day 9: En Route / Yosemite

Following a breakfast buffet 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 spend a second night in Sacramento and 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 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. We’ll board the San Joaquin train for the 7:36 p.m. departure to Bakersfield; arrival is scheduled for 10:45 p.m. Upon arrival we’ll transfer to the Hilton Garden Inn. D

Day 11: En Route

Following an included 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 Theatre) 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 the amenities experienced on the westbound train. B

Day 12: En Route

The Sightseer Lounge will provide a great vantage point to experience the fascinating scenery of Arizona and New Mexico.

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.
REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT:
A deposit of $500 per person, of which $250 per person is non-refundable, is required to finalize registration. The balance is due 120 days prior to departure. Amtrak accommodation upgrades and any connecting transportation charges are due at time of registration. If payments are not received by the due date specified, reservations may be cancelled without notice.

TOUR CANCELLATIONS:
If cancellation is received by America by Rail more than 120 days prior to departure, $250 of your deposit will be retained. For cancellations received within 120 days of departure, the following per person cancellation fees apply:
• $76-120 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: 85% of total tour cost.
• 30 days or less prior to departure: 100% of total tour cost.

TOUR PRICES INCLUDE:
SIGHTSEEING / ADMISSIONS
Sightseeing, as outlined in the itineraries, will be provided by motorcoach 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 accommodate dietary needs.

CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS
As specified in the tour itinerary, upgrades may be available at an additional cost.

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 for meals specified in the tour itinerary 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:
All transportation and tips between your home city and the origination city. All transportation and tips between your home city and the origination city.

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 registration 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.

AMTRAK STATEMENT:
The National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) is not to be held responsible for any act, omission, 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 tickets and / or passenger. All conditions are subject to the laws of the District of Columbia, U.S.A.

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