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RAIL TOUR NEWSLETTER 135

DATED FRIDAY MAY 29, 2026 WE HAVE SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

UNION PACIFIC'S BIG BOY JULY 22-28, 2026 PACING OPTION



**IN 2026 THE LARGEST OPERATING STEAM
ENGINE IN THE WORLD HAS STARTED THE
AMERICA 250 ANNIVERSARY TOUR OPERATING
COAST TO COAST. JULY 22-28 WE WILL PACE
THE BIG BOY KANSAS CITY TO DENVER**



The Big Boy steam locomotive has already completed its western leg of the “America 250 Anniversary Tour” and will begin the eastern leg of this tour on May 25, 2026 by departing Cheyenne, Wyoming and headed eastbound for Chicago, Illinois then continuing east towards New York.

On July 4, 2026 the Big Boy will be in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in celebration of America's 250th birthday. The hugh steam locomotive will then begin its long journey westbound returning to Cheyenne and travelling through St. Louis and Kansas City, Missouri before reaching Denver, Colorado and finally the last leg up to Cheyenne.

Trains and Travel International will be offering the opportunity to follow this special Big Boy excursion from Kansas City, Missouri to Denver, Colorado July 22-28, 2026. We invite those railroad photographers that would like to get some greart action photos of the Big Boy at speed to come with us on our special tour Kansas City to Denver.



Click on the link below to view our tour itinerary between Kansas City and Denver in July
<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-union-pacific-big-boy-steam-locomotive.php>

To view the full Big Boy's eastern itinerary beginning May 25, 2026 click on the link below

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-union-pacific-big-boy-steam-locomotive.php>



WESTERN STATES RAIL AND NATIONAL PARK ADVENTURE

OCTOBER 3-22, 2026

SURE-GO



THE ROYAL GORGE RAILROAD IN COLORADO

This tour features some of the most exciting and scenic excursion train rides in the western states of the United States during the height of the fall colors in California, Nevada, Arizona, Utah, New Mexico and Colorado.

Our tour begins in San Francisco, California and makes it's way east ending up in Denver, Colorado. Besides enjoying 27 train rides in these 6 western states we will visit 18 spectacular national and state parks on our journey. With the wide variety of trains and the wonderful breathtaking scenery this is a great tour for the railfans to bring their wives. Additionally this tour is also perfect for those couples that are not railfans but just enjoy riding on different types of trains through beautiful and breathtaking scenery and visiting most of the popular national and state parks in the west.

It would take a person at least a couple of months or longer to visit and experience what we are offering in this exciting 21 day tour. Take a look at our itinerary and you will see that this tour offers a lot of value. If you decide that you cannot take the full 21 day tour we will work with you to put together a custom itinerary that works for you.

We will not be offering this same itinerary in 2027 as we are working on a totally new and different tour schedule.

To view the full day by day itinerary with many photos and descriptions click on the link below:

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-western-states-rail-national-park-adventure.php>



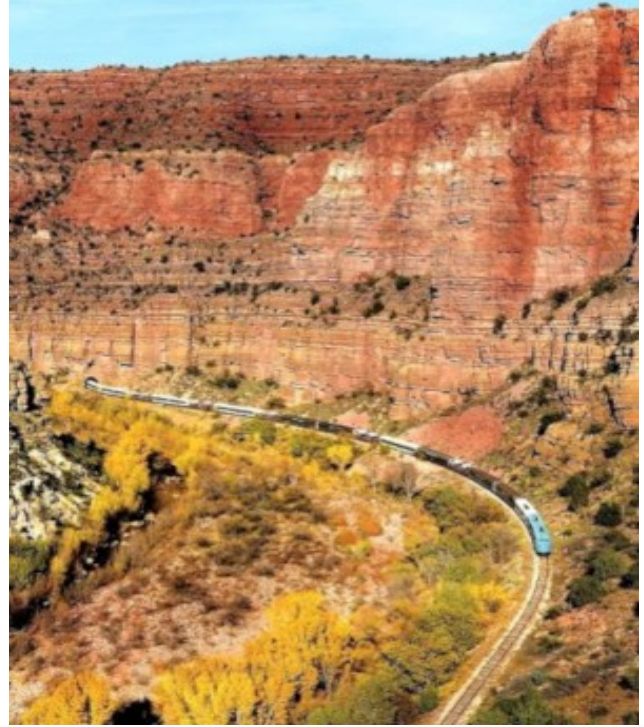
WE TAKE A RIDE ONBOARD AMTRAK'S CALIFORNIA ZEPHYR OVER DONNER PASS IN THE HIGH SIERRA



WE VISIT THE WESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD MUSEUM IN PORTOLA, CALIFORNIA



ENJOY THE SPECTACULAR GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK IN ARIZONA WE EXPERIENCE SOME OF THE MOST BREATHTAKNG SCENERY IN THE WEST SUCH AS MONUMENT VALLEY ON THE BORDER OF UTAH AND ARIZONA



AND A TRAIN RIDE THROUGH VERDE CANYON NEAR SEDONA, ARIZONA



THE NEVADA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM IN CARSON CITY, NEVADA



THE CUMBRES AND TOLTEC IN NEW MEXICO & COLORADO



THE SILVERTON IN THE REMOTE ANIMAS RIVER CANYON



CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW TO VIEW THE FULL DAILY ITINERARY
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CAPE & COAST VINTAGE EXPLORER

MAY 5-16, 2027

SOUTH AFRICA

We have just posted our first tour for 2027. This tour will explore the Southern area of South Africa.

Experience an extraordinary adventure to South Africa on this unique tour that blends nostalgia and discovery. Step on board a spectacular rail experience from the iconic city of Cape Town to the coastal charm of Mossel Bay. Steam along beautiful coastlines and iconic landmarks, rise to the summit of Table Mountain, and indulge in award-winning wines of the Franschhoek Valley. Immerse yourself in the landscapes, culture, and spirit of South Africa through the golden era of rail travel.

The Western Cape is bordered by the Atlantic Ocean to the northwest and the Indian Ocean to the south, its geographical position provides a varied landscape that includes beautiful coastlines, towering mountains, and fertile valleys. This combination of natural features contributes significantly to the province's appeal and allure.

Major cities in the Western Cape, such as Cape Town, the provincial capital, and Stellenbosch, known for its rich history and wine production, serve as key hubs for both tourism and commerce. Cape Town is internationally recognized for its iconic Table Mountain, stunning beaches, and vibrant culture, garnering millions of visitors each year. Stellenbosch, on the other hand, is celebrated for its wineries and is a center of educational excellence, housing one of the oldest universities in South Africa.

Click on the link below for more details and the full itinerary plus prices. If you book in the next few weeks we will give you an early bird discount.

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-cape-and-coast-vintage-explorer.php>





**BELOW IS OUR TOUR OFFERINGS
FOR THE 2ND HALF OF 2026**

OUTBACK QUEENSLAND BY TRAIN TO LONGREACH

SEPTEMBER 1-15, 2026

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<https://traintrips.biz/1-outback-queensland.php>

SOUTH AUSTRALIA STEAM SAFARI

SEPTEMBER 5-14, 2026

SURE-GO

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-south-australia-steam-safari.php>

QUEENSLAND SAVANNAH

JULY 12-21, 2026

SURE-GO

AUGUST 23-SEPTEMBER 1

<https://traintrips.biz/1-queensland-savannah.php>

JAVA BY RAIL

JULY 9-25, 2026

SURE-GO

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-java-by-rail.php>

SCANDINAVIA BY RAIL, ROAD AND SEA

JULY 19-AUGUST 6, 2026

SURE-GO

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-scandinavia-by-rail-road-and-sea.php>

WESTERN STATES RAIL AND NATIONAL PARK ADVENTURE

OCTOBER 3-23, 2026

SURE-GO

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-western-states-rail-national-park-adventure.php>

TASMANIA BY RAIL, ROAD AND RIVER

OCTOBER 8-19, 2026

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-tasmania.php>

SOUTH KOREA BY RAIL
OCTOBER 21-NOVEMBER 5, 2026

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-south-korea-by-rail.php>

VIETNAM BY PRIVATE TRAIN AND BOAT

OCTOBER 29-NOVEMBER 15, 2026

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-vietnam-by-private-train-and-boat.php>

MEXICAN RAIL SPECTACULAR

NOVEMBER 2-15, 2026

<https://traintrips.biz/1-mexican-rail-spectacular.php>

JAPAN BY RAIL IN AUTUNM

NOVEMBER 3-19, 2026

SURE-GO

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-japan-by-rail-in-autumn.php>

RAILS AND RIVERS OF THAILAND AND LAOS

NOVEMBER 17-DECEMBER 4, 2026

<https://www.traintrips.biz/1-rails-and-rivers-of-thailand-and-laos.php>

TAIWAN BY RAIL

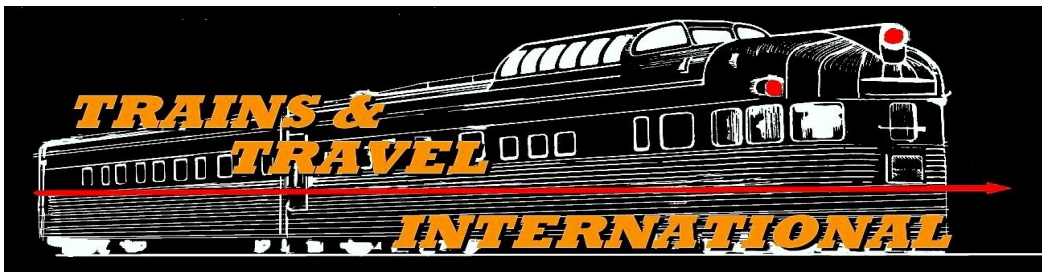
NOVEMBER 24-DECEMBER 10, 2026

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**WE ARE WORKING ON OUR 2027 TOURS AND
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WEBSITE IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS**



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