



Yellowstone & Glacier Adventure By Rail



11 DAYS

Three National Parks of the glorious West await you on this 11-day tour that combines travel aboard iconic trains with unique escorted sightseeing along the path followed by America's pioneers. Beginning in Chicago, board the *California Zephyr* for the overnight journey to Salt Lake City. From here your discovery of the West begins with a tour of Utah's capitol city, a visit to Jackson Hole and Grand Teton, Yellowstone, and Glacier National Parks for in-depth exploration of these awe-inspiring natural wonders before returning to Chicago aboard the iconic *Empire Builder*.



Amtrak's Empire Builder

Your tour includes:

- Rail travel on Amtrak (2 nights on train)
- Hotel accommodations for 8 nights including 3 nights in Yellowstone National Park and 2 nights at Glacier National Park
- 17 meals including lunch while viewing the Teton Range from the Mural Room
- Yellowstone National Park touring including Upper and Lower Falls, Old Faithful
- Going-to-the-Sun Road onboard vintage red Jammer buses
- Transportation by deluxe motorcoach
- Services of a professional tour manager
- Baggage handling

Travel insurance is recommended. Quotations are available for residents of the USA on an individual basis at time of reservation.

2015 Departure and Rates

July 15 - 25, 2015

\$2,745 Twin/coach
\$3,495 Single/coach

Space is limited to 48 travelers.
Make your reservations early!

Train sleeping accommodation upgrades additional. Roomette and Bedroom pricing will be available September 15, 2014.

**Please make your reservation by
February 15, 2015**

Price after February 15 will increase by \$50 per person

**For more information contact Kevin Gordon at
region57@ipa-usa.org**

**To make a reservation, complete the reservation form and email
it to: groupagent@vacationsbyrail.com**

July 15 Day 1 – Depart [Chicago](#) aboard the [California Zephyr](#)

All aboard for adventure! The legendary California Zephyr departs historic [Union Station](#) at 2:00 pm for its journey west across the Rockies. Take time to explore the double-decker train including its glass-walled Sightseer Lounge car offering fantastic views of the passing scenery. Overnight train. (D)

July 16 Day 2 -California Zephyr to [Salt Lake City](#)

Marvel at the scenery as the train winds through the Rockies. Your train is scheduled to arrive in Salt Lake City around 11:00 pm, where you'll be transferred to your hotel. Overnight [DoubleTree by Hilton](#). (B, L, D)

July 17 Day 3 - Salt Lake City Sightseeing

Your morning begins with a guided tour of beautiful Salt Lake City. The most famous site on your tour is Temple Square, where the Gothic spires of the Salt Lake Temple rise up. You'll also see Utah's State Capitol, the Great Salt Lake, and sites from the 2002 Winter Olympic Games. Enjoy local fare at lunch (included). The evening is free to experience this city on your own. Overnight [DoubleTree by Hilton](#). (B, L)

July 18 Day 4 - En Route to Jackson Hole

After breakfast at your hotel, your motorcoach heads to Montpelier, Idaho for a visit to the [National Oregon/California Trail Center](#), where you'll learn firsthand about this historic pioneer route and experience a simulated wagon train ride. Continue on to [Jackson, Wyoming](#), where you'll spend the night. The evening is at your leisure to enjoy this charming Wild West town. Overnight BW Plus [The Lodge at Jackson Hole](#). (B)

July 19 Day 5 - Grand Teton National Park

The dramatic peaks of the Grand Teton mountain range rise 13,000 feet in the air without foothills. This is the cornerstone of today's excursion to [Grand Teton National Park](#). Highlights of the day include the [Chapel of Transfiguration](#), a rustic log church in an idyllic setting with breathtaking views of the Tetons, lunch at the Mural Room in rustic [Jackson Lake Lodge](#), and visits to the Colter Bay Visitor Center to learn about the history of the Park and the Indian Arts Museum, which houses an impressive variety of American Indian artifacts donated by the Rockefeller family. As you conclude your visit to Grand Teton National Park, get ready for the granddaddy of all National Parks, Yellowstone! Established in 1872 as America's first National Park, Yellowstone is famous for having the world's most extensive region of geothermal activity with thousands of hot springs that dot the landscape. Overnight [Yellowstone National Park Lodging](#). (L)

July 20 Day 6 - Yellowstone: a 2-million acre national jewel

Today's guided adventure of [Yellowstone National Park](#) takes you to Madison Junction with its scenic forests and meadows all the way to Norris Geyser Basin. Stand in awe of Mammoth Hot Springs, Tower Junction and Tower Falls. Lunch is on your own before continuing on this afternoon to discover Artist Point, Inspiration Point and the Upper and Lower Falls of the Yellowstone River. Overnight [Yellowstone National Park Lodging](#). (B)

July 21 Day 7 - Yellowstone - Old Faithful

Today's excursion takes you on a spectacular drive through the Hayden Valley, a region of lush forests and meadows. But the highlight of your day will be experiencing the Old Faithful Geyser. About every 30 minutes, Old Faithful erupts, shooting water some 100 feet in the air. You'll also view the fascinating paint-pots and bubbling hot springs mixed with clay. Return to the hotel and get ready for your group dinner this evening. Overnight [Yellowstone National Park Lodging](#). (D)

July 22 Day 8 - En Route to Glacier National Park

Today board your motorcoach as you continue north to [East Glacier Park, Montana](#), which so aptly describes the slow-moving glaciers that carved out this magnificent area. Overnight [Glacier Park Lodge](#). (B)

July 23 Day 9 - [Glacier National Park's Going-to-the-Sun Road](#)

Experience Glacier National Park's pristine forests, alpine meadows, rugged mountains, and spectacular lakes. Relive the days of old through historic chalets, lodges, transportation, and stories of Native Americans. Travel over the spectacular Going-to-the-Sun Road, one of the most famous scenic roadways in the world, aboard a historic [Jammer Red Bus](#) with a stop for lunch on your own at Lake McDonald Lodge. You won't know where to look first on this 50-mile-long drive with magnificent views of mountain scenery and abundant wildlife. This evening enjoy a gala farewell dinner, hosted by your tour director. Overnight [Glacier Park Lodge](#). (D)

July 24 Day 10 - [Empire Builder](#) to Chicago

Your train departs this morning from the East Glacier Park Amtrak Station aboard the iconic Empire Builder bound for Chicago. Settle into your seat and reflect on all the wonderful experiences you had out West as you cross through the badlands of eastern Montana and western North Dakota. Overnight train. (B, L, D)

July 25 Day 11 - Train to Chicago & Conclusion

Cross the plains of the Midwest, arriving in Chicago's Union Station just before 4:00 pm, where your Western adventure comes to an end. (B, L)



RESERVATION & TRAVELER INFORMATION FORM

International Police Association US Region 57

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Initial deposit of \$750 per person due upon reservation. Final Payment is due 90 days prior to departure.

Please print name exactly as it appears on your government issued photo identification that you will use while traveling.
(Passport, Government ID or Driver's License)

Traveler 1: _____

Traveler 2: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Country: _____

Tel: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Roommate's Name: _____

Accommodation Occupancy: _____ Single _____ Twin

Rail Accommodation Type: _____ Coach (included)
_____ Roomette _____ Bedroom

*Roomette & Bedroom accommodations are upgrades. Pricing for each will be available September 15, 2014.

Payment Information

Deposit Amount: \$ 750.00 per person

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Submit Completed Form to Vacations By Rail / Group Agent:

Via email:
Groupagent@VacationsByRail.com

Via mail:
309 West Washington Street, Suite 450
Chicago, IL 60606

Via fax:
312-878-6411

Check here if you would like to be contacted to make payment by credit card.

_____ (telephone number)

Once reservation is confirmed, Vacations By Rail will forward a form to verify authorization was given for credit card deposit payment.

Security Information - RAIL

In order to make your vacation as enjoyable as possible, and to assist us in preparing official documentation, kindly complete information below.

Traveler 1: Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

_____ Male _____ Female

Traveler 2: Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

_____ Male _____ Female

Terms and Conditions

All payments for land and train arrangements (ticketed by Vacations By Rail) will be refunded, less the applicable cancellation fees as outlined below.

The following per person cancellation charges will be assessed:

Once confirmed: \$250 per person plus supplier fees

90-61 days prior to departure: \$500 per person plus supplier fees

60-46 days prior to departure: 50% of package price plus supplier fees

45 days or closer to departure: 100% non-refundable

100% cancellation fee for no shows or if cancellation is made after travel is scheduled to begin.

No refund for unused portions of the trip.

Supplier cancellation fees may be assessed in addition to the change/cancel fees stated above.

Deposit: \$750 per person deposit is due at the time of reservation.

Final Payment: Due 90 days prior to departure.

Travel Insurance is strongly recommended.

Check here if you would like Vacations By Rail to request a travel insurance quotation. Quotations are available to residents of the USA and will be sent via Email.

_____ (Email address)

Emergency Contact (Optional)

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Tel: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Comments: _____

Yellowstone and Glacier Adventure Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

I put this together to answer what I think will be FAQ. I'm sure I've overlooked some. I can send this as a word doc if you need to run it through Google translate.

Maximum We have 48 spots maximum. If we only fill half or so, outsiders will be allowed in. If we fill all the spots it will truly be an IPA only trip!

What does the \$2,745 price per person covers? All items listed on the Inclusions portion of the flyer such as the entrance fees, attractions, hotels, and meals as detailed in the day-by-day itinerary. Each day on the itinerary references meal inclusions as either (B, L, D). If not listed, the meal is not included and will be at the traveler's expense. Gratuities for included meals and luggage handling at all hotels are included in the tour cost. Also includes COACH for the 2 nights on the train. See below Train Sleeping Arrangements for other options.

What is not covered in the cost? Not included are tips for luggage handling at all airports, rail stations, onboard sleeping car Attendants, maid service, services of a personal nature, incidental charges at the hotels, meals or drinks that are not included as part of the tour, gratuities to Tour Managers, drivers and step-on guides. Travelers will receive more information on this with their final documents. We will also provide them with recommendations for gratuities for the tour manager and driver that are relatively standard in the industry.

Single Traveler: As with many such trips, a single pays more. If you have an IPA member traveling single that would like to pair up with another member to save that fee, please contact me and I will see if we can locate one.

Travel Insurance: For travelers residing outside the USA, travel insurance should be purchased from within their country of residence.

Payment: It is recommended that travelers submit their reservation form by email to groupagent@vacationsbyrail.com. They will respond to the email and inquire if the traveler would like to make payment by credit card or a wire transfer. If by credit card, they will provide the phone number to call and set-up a time to take care of the payment by phone. If by wire transfer, they will provide the information necessary to do so.

Pre/Post Night Hotel

For those travelers that are interested in Pre and/or Post Night Hotel Accommodations in Chicago, rooms are available at the La Quinta in Chicago. Room rate is \$199 per room plus tax. Tax is about 16%. Breakfast is included. Travelers should indicate their interest in these accommodations at time of reservation or after the reservation has been made. The room rate will be added to the final payment that is due 90 days prior to departure.

Train Sleeping Arrangements: Trip price provides Coach on the 2 nights on the trail. Following are the definitions of the different types.

Coach – Accommodations include spacious reclining seats with leg rests in a traditional rail coach environment. The train has a full-service dining car, a Café servicing snacks and beverages, and the Sightseer Lounge, a glass-walled observation car available for all passengers.

For an additional fee you can request:

Roomettes – A cozy cabin for 1-2 passengers. Daytime configuration features two reclining seats beside a picture window, which converts to upper and lower berths at night. Compartment dimensions: 3'6" x 6'6".

or

Bedrooms – Accommodations for 2 passengers. Daytime configuration features a sofa and one reclining chair beside a picture window; nighttime configuration is an upper and lower berth. Bedrooms include a private self-enclosed restroom with toilet, sink and shower. Compartment dimensions; 6'6" x 7'6".

If interested in either a Roomette or Bedroom, please indicate that at the time of reservation. When pricing is available from AMTRAK trains, the travel folks will contact you, provide the upgrade price and confirm that you still want it. If you no longer want the upgrade you will be able to downgrade back to coach. The deposit price does not change as a result of the sleeper accommodation selection. It is the final payment price that would change, and that is not due until 90 days prior to departure. Sleeping accommodations are more limited than coach.

COMMENTS

We have had a great time on our previous "See America" trips. This is our first combined Coach/Train. We set these up with our foreign visitors in mind. When we asked our IPA friends around the world what would they like to see, Yellowstone seemed to rank #1. So we found this trip that gives you Yellowstone, Grand Tetons, Glacier plus Salt Lake City and Chicago.

Feel free to contact me about anything but if it is a question about registration etc., please contact groupagent@vacationsbyrail.com as they are handling all that.

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