THE CALIFORNIAN RAIL JOURNEY, 9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS

San Francisco > Los Angeles > San Diego

Departure dates: Year-Round with select departures Nov-Mar (Tuesday – Friday)

OVERVIEW:

Discover all the "Golden State" has to offer on this 9-day scenic journey from San Francisco to San Diego, with stops in wine country's Napa and Sonoma valleys, Yosemite National Park, and Los Angeles. Enjoy an entertaining day of sightseeing in San Francisco. Tour the award-winning wineries of Napa and Sonoma valleys. Spend a full day exploring the iconic Yosemite National Park. Get to know Los Angeles on a narrated tour and learn why so many stars call this fabulous city home. And, last, but certainly not least, explore the scenic coastal landscape of San Diego.

Highlights:

- Hop-on, hop-off sightseeing tour of San Francisco
- Sightseeing tour of Yosemite National Park
- Sightseeing tour of Sonoma and Napa Valley
- Hop-on, hop-off sightseeing tour of Los Angeles
- Multi-day Hop-off, hop-off sightseeing tour of San Diego

Package Also Includes:

- One-way Amtrak[®] in Coach accommodations from San Francisco to Los Angeles and Los Angeles to San Diego on the Coast Starlight[®] and the Pacific Surfliner[®]
- 8 nights' hotel accommodations
- 1 meal (1 dinner)

TRIP ITINERARY

DAY 1 SAN FRANCISCO

Welcome to San Francisco! This evening visit San Francisco's most beloved attraction, Fisherman's Wharf. This gorgeous waterfront community is rich in both culture and fun. Be sure to treat yourself to some delicious local cuisine, like sourdough bread, clam chowder and fresh seafood! (Overnight in San Francisco)

DAY 2 SAN FRANCISCO

Take an exhilarating hop-on, hop-off tour of San Francisco! This excursion gives you the opportunity to see the most popular landmarks of this amazing city. You can hop off the bus at any of the stops to explore any site at your own pace. Visit popular districts like, Chinatown, North Beach, Union Square, the Civic Center, and more! Dinner is included this evening. (Overnight in San Francisco) **D**

DAY 3 SAN FRANCISCO

Today board a sightseeing tour that will bring you out to the beautifully scenic Yosemite National Park! Your fully guided tour will take you out of the city to travel along the Merced River and into the foothills of the Sierra Nevada Mountain range to the famous Yosemite Park. Enjoy sights of the tall redwoods, hike along the mountain trails, and snap pictures of the rushing waterfalls. You will truly enjoy a full day of sightseeing. (Overnight in San Francisco)

DAY 4 SAN FRANCISCO

Enjoy a ride across the Golden Gate Bridge and through the tranquil hills surrounding Sonoma Valley as you take in the beauty of the countless family wineries along the old El Camino Real. Then, you'll venture into the heart of Napa Valley, where your next stops feature up to three vineyards for tours and tastings. (Overnight in San Francisco)

DAY 5 SAN FRANCISCO > LOS ANGELES

Travel on your own to the Amtrak® station and board the Coast Starlight® to Los Angeles. The Coast Starlight ventures right along the gorgeous California coastline and offers scenic views you will never forget. The lush forests, fertile valleys, and long stretches of Pacific Ocean shoreline provide a stunning backdrop for your journey. Upon your arrival in the "City of Angels," you'll check into your hotel, and once you're all settled in, feel free to start exploring this fascinating city that so many movie stars call home. (Overnight in Los Angeles)

DAY 6 LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles is known as the entertainment capital of the world, so there is much to see and do here. Enjoy a narrated hop-on/hop-off tour of L.A., which allows you to get off as often as you like! Highlights of your tour will include the iconic Grauman's Chinese Theatre, the famous Hollywood Walk of Fame, the fancy Rodeo Drive, Kodak Theatre, Paramount Studios, Hollywood & Vine, the Santa Monica Pier, the fabulous Fashion District, and many more! Feel free to explore any of the stops at your own pace. (Overnight in Los Angeles)

DAY 7 LOS ANGELES > SAN DIEGO

Travel to the Amtrak station and board the train to San Diego. Relax on the Pacific Surfliner® as you continue your journey south along the Pacific Ocean coastline. Upon arrival check-in to your hotel and begin to experience "America's Finest City" on your hop-on, hop-off sightseeing tour. (Overnight in San Diego)

DAY 8 SAN DIEGO

Today you will continue to explore San Diego aboard your sightseeing tour. Your fully narrated tour will dazzle you with a fascinating mix of trivia and humorous stories as you discover the historic Gaslamp District, Old Town San Diego State Historic Park, Seaport Village, and Balboa Park. (Overnight in San Diego)

DAY 9 YOUR JOURNEY ENDS IN SAN DIEGO

Legend for meals: B - Breakfast, BR - Brunch, L - Lunch, D - Dinner

DISCLAIMER:

Package prices are per person, double occupancy, tax included. Prices do not include rail from your hometown. Please call for pricing. Package prices are subject to change without notice, and all reservations are based upon availability at the time of booking. Amtrak travel is for Coach accommodations unless otherwise noted. Upgrades to Roomette or Bedroom accommodations on board Amtrak are available. Call for pricing. Other restrictions may apply. Activities referenced in the itinerary during free time are for suggested purposes only and are not included. Seasonal activity (if applicable): During the off-season, some tours may not be available. In this case, a similar tour will be substituted. Passports (if applicable): Passports are required when crossing the Canadian border. Amtrak and Amtrak Vacations are registered service marks of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation.

Included Cities	Hotel
San Francisco	Holiday Inn Fisherman's Wharf
Los Angeles	The LA Downtown Hotel
San Diego	Wyndham San Diego Bayside

Alternate hotels may be used.

DEPARTURE CITY	DEPARTURE TIME	ARRIVAL CITY	ARRIVAL TIME
SAN FRANCISCO	7:25AM	LOS ANGELES	9:00PM
LOS ANGELES	8:30AM	SAN DIEGO	11:22AM

AMTRAK UPGRADE FEES

Upgrade	Per person in double	
Roomette	\$50	
Bedroom	\$170	