



Rail Journeys of the World

Sapphire Luxury Adventures

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Luxury train holidays worldwide

A journey by rail is one of the most romantic ways to travel, offering glimpses into rural life and scenic views that no other mode of transport can compete with. Travel by train along the ancient route of the Silk Road and see not only the cultural sights and cities of Central Asia but also the incredible variations in scenery as you cross deserts, mountains.

We offer a huge variety of classic rail holidays around the world, from the Eastern & Oriental Express in south-east Asia, to India's Deccan Odyssey and the Trans-Siberian Express in Europe.



Landscapes unfolding before you like a live action guide book. Sunrises over mountains and sunsets over the sea all in a day. The thrill of waking up somewhere completely new. And the romance of travelling as people did centuries ago, in the golden era of rail. There are tried and tested favourites, like the glamorous Venice Simplon Orient Express and Rocky Mountaineer.



Some of the best train journeys

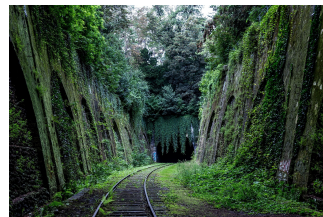
In terms of sheer pinch-me-is-this-for-real wow-factor, it has to be the Trans-Mongolian, a journey of truly epic proportions. Four days of travelling between Moscow and Lake Baikal on the traditional Trans-Siberian before dipping south into Genghis Khan country and then crossing into China and, finally, arriving in Beijing just over a week after setting off.

In terms of romance, it may be a bit of a cliché but it is hard to beat the beautifully restored Venice Simplon-Orient-Express with its Lalique glass panels in the dining car.

The Eastern and Oriental Express, offers the exoticism of the tropics; the Rocky Mountaineer in Canada comes with breathtaking vista.

Rovos Rail takes you to the Victoria Falls

Six continents and 60 rail adventures: if that prospect doesn't fire the pistons of your wanderlust passion, what will?





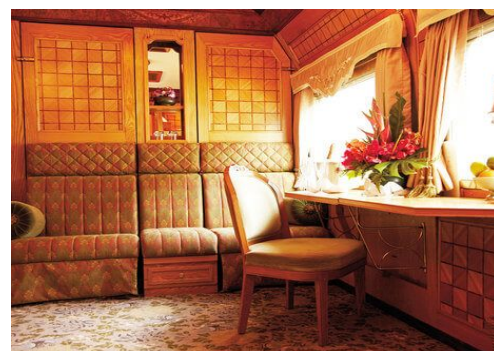
Eastern and Oriental Express

Luxury

Travel in style through the jungles, rice fields and cities of south-east Asia, from Bangkok to Singapore, or vice versa, aboard the luxury Eastern & Oriental Express. The train offers refined elegance with fine dining, a piano bar and observation car. En route, the train will stop for guided tours at the notorious Bridge over the River Kwai and the Malaysian town of Kuala Kangsar.

- Journey in style by rail through the Thai and Malaysian countryside
- River Kwai cruise accompanied by a local historian
- Guided tour of Malaysia's Islamic heritage in Kuala Kangsar

The train accommodates 132 passengers in 66 air-conditioned compartments, all furnished in dark woods, beautiful fabrics and with fine linens. The bar car offers a variety of evening entertainment including live piano performances. There is also a reading room with a varied library. The most popular place on board is the open-deck observation car, which provides an unbeatable opportunity to enjoy the beautiful scenery.





Indian Odyssey - A Luxury Train Journey

Luxury

11 Days & 9 Nights

The Indian Odyssey is just one of six different train journeys available aboard the Deccan Odyssey, one of India's most luxurious trains. Travelling from Delhi to Mumbai, this journey travels across the north Indian plains, taking in the major highlights along the way including the Taj Mahal in Agra, the majestic forts and palaces of Rajasthan, the Ranthambore tiger reserve and the ancient Ellora cave temples, amongst many others. This tour also visits Vadodara and the royal kitchens at the Laxmi Vilas Palace.

- Boat ride on the majestic Lake Pichola in Udaipur
- Sample secret recipes from the royal kitchens of Vadodara
- Thrilling tiger safari in Ranthambore



The Deccan Odyssey train comprises 12 air-conditioned deluxe saloons. Guests are accommodated in fully air-conditioned, spacious and comfortably furnished carriages, each carriage featuring four twin / double-bed cabins complete with modern en suite facilities. The cabins are furnished with essential modern conveniences including a flat-screen television and a telephone



Iran Silk Road and Persia

*Luxury
17 Days & 15 Nights*

Travel through four different countries as you experience the Silk Road and the ancient land of Persia on board the fully en suite Golden Eagle train. Discover destinations that have been off the tourist map for many years and sites that are infrequently visited by western visitors, making this voyage all the more special.

- Visits to the Crown Jewels Museum & Golestan Palace in Tehran
- Explore Darius the Great's summer capital, Persepolis
- View exquisite examples of Islamic architecture & stop at ancient trading posts
- Gaze at a spectacular burning gas crater in the middle of the Karakum Desert



The on board restaurant serves local cuisine from the countries you travel through.



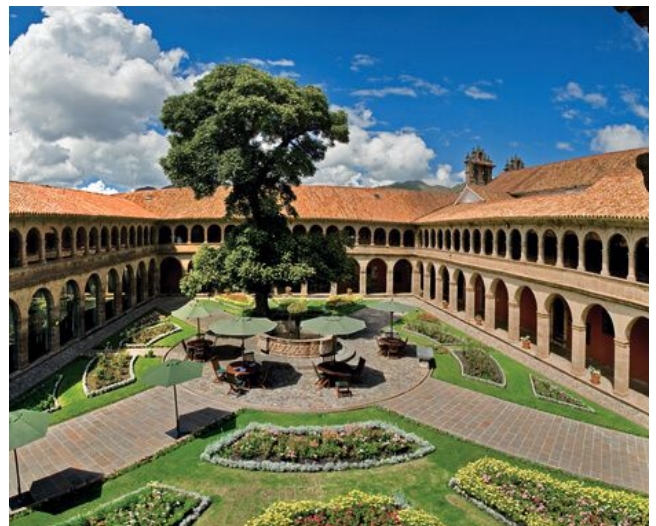
Peru in Luxury

*Luxury
11 Days & 9 Nights*

This private journey offers the chance to explore Peru in ultimate style and comfort, staying in the country's finest character hotels and travelling to Machu Picchu and Lake Titicaca aboard first-class trains. The itinerary has been designed to combine Peru's ancient, colonial and scenic highlights and allows time in each of the destinations to explore the sights and enjoy the luxurious surroundings.

- Privileged overnight stay next to the Machu Picchu citadel
- Travel on first-class trains*
- Room with stunning ocean views over the Pacific ocean

The Sacred Valley of the Incas is the perfect place to explore, relax and unwind either before or after your visit to Machu Picchu.







The Cape, Rovos Rail and Victoria Falls

*Luxury
13 Days & 10 Nights*

Step aboard Rovos Rail's Pride of Africa and you're immediately transported to another era - a world of colonial style and charm. This is next-level comfort and elegance, recalling a bygone era when travel was always this sophisticated and relaxed. Travelling through the majestic landscapes of South Africa, you can relax in an air-conditioned suite, sip morning coffee in a beautiful Victorian dining car, or sink into a wing-tipped chair as you await the gong that announces that dinner is served.



Victoria Falls village offers an exciting ethnic shopping experience, rich in culture and history



Vancouver to Toronto

*Luxury
13 Days & 12 Nights*

Travel across Canada from Vancouver to Toronto on this 13-day itinerary on board two of the world's most celebrated trains: The Canadian and Rocky Mountaineer. Highlights include the spectacular Rocky Mountains, a stop in Winnipeg, a scenic tour of Banff and an excursion on Athabasca glacier.

- Full-day tour of Niagara Falls including a boat trip & wine tasting
- Wildlife-viewing opportunities in Alberta's national parks
- Travel the scenic Icefields Parkway & venture onto Athabasca glacier
- Witness the ever-changing scenery while travelling from western to eastern Canada by train
- Discover northern Canadian wildlife at Assiniboine Park Zoo



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Trans-Siberian Railway Aboard the Luxury Tsar's Gold

*Superior
16 Days & 15 Nights*

Often viewed as the ultimate rail journey, this 16-day itinerary along the Trans-Siberian Railway aboard the Tsar's Gold will take you from the majesty of the Red Square in Moscow, through the remote Russian steppes to the heart of Siberia and then onwards to Mongolia, finally arriving into Beijing in the north-east of China.

- Visits to the provincial Russian cities of Kazan, Yekaterinburg & Novosibirsk
- Explore the picturesque village of Listvyanka & take a boat ride on Lake Baikal
- Tour the remarkable sights of the Great Wall of China & the Forbidden City in Beijing

Offering cabins with en suite facilities, the Tsar's Gold is a superior alternative to the standard train, with set departure dates throughout the year.

This journey can also be taken in reverse, from Beijing to Moscow



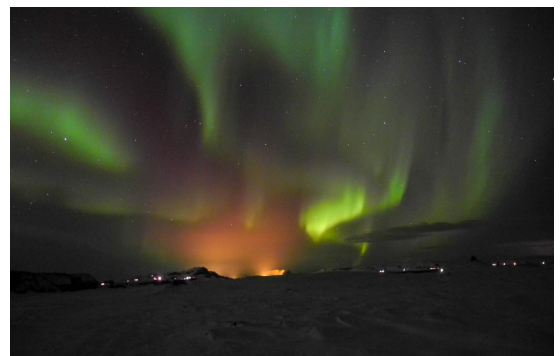


Northern Lights and Arctic Circle Oslo to Tromso

Standard 9 Days

If it's a picturesque train journey through wintery mountains and past tiny Scandinavian towns you're looking for, then check out our very own version of the Polar Express. On this scenic nine-day trip, you'll start in Oslo and head up north to get a taste of the highlights of Lapland. Once you disembark, there'll be plenty of opportunities to visit museums, take part in winter activities like snowshoeing and dogsledding, and get acquainted with small-town life.

- Ride the rails of Scandinavia across the Arctic Circle
- Explore the Lofoten Islands with an eye out for the Northern Lights
- Check out life in the small towns of the far north





Maharaja Express – Heritage of India

*Luxury
6 nights and 7 days*

A Journey into history to Experience the Splendour of a bygone Era.

Discover the bustling commercial city of Mumbai and the national Capital Delhi. Visit the shimmering Lake City of Udaipur and the majestic fort at Jodhpur, enjoy a sundowner on the sand dunes at Bikaner. Soak in the colorful Pink City of Jaipur. See from close quarters the legendary tigers at Ranthambore and one of the Seven Wonders of the World 'The Taj Mahal' all this and more in utmost luxury.

Maharajas' Express across Incredible India is incorporated with the hand-picked off-board Luxury Excursions of Incredible India. Be it the sundowner Cocktails & barbeque at the Sand-dunes at Bikaner, Elephant Polo Match at City Palace, Jaipur, Champagne breakfast at Taj Khema, Agra will be moments to cherish at the Luxury Vacations India.

Join aboard the Maharajas' Express for an Experience Unsurpassed of Incredible India.





Alaska Railroad Journey

Luxury

11 Days and 10 nights

Travel along the full 756km of the Alaska Railroad from Seward to Fairbanks. The journey is broken up with stays en route in the best accommodation available. Sit back and take in the breathtaking and ever changing scenery during the various train journeys. Visit an authentic trapper's cabin & replica native Alaskan encampment.

- Scenic cruise through the Kenai Fjords National Park in search of abundant marine life
- Full-day guided tour in remote regions of Denali National Park in search of bears
- Visit an authentic trapper's cabin & replica native Alaskan encampment
- Cruise on a traditional sternwheeler riverboat & learn about local culture
- Ever changing scenery during the various train journeys



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