

Dear World Affairs Council Travelers,

A crimson bridge, cable cars, a sparkling bay, and streets lined with elegant Victorian homes—San Francisco is undeniably one of the world's great cities. Reason enough to join us on a spectacular seven day journey through Northern California on the California Rail Discovery.

Begin your trip with a two night stay in San Francisco. A tour of the "City by the Bay" will show the city's many highlights & features a San Francisco Bay Cruise for spectacular views of the Golden Gate Bridge, Alcatraz and the beautiful skyline. Later cross over the Golden Gate Bridge to visit Muir Woods National Monument to see some of the oldest & the tallest Redwood trees in the world. Next travel into Napa Valley Wine Country for a Winery Tour & Tasting to sample some local wines while learning about wine making. Next travel to Sacramento and arrive at the Old Sacramento Waterfront to visit the California State Railroad Museum. Drive through Old Sacramento, a unique 28-acre National Historic Landmark District that lives in homage to California's Gold Rush of 1849.

Continuing your travels, board Amtrak's California Zephyr which heads east into the spectacular snow-capped Sierra Nevada Mountains and disembark in Truckee near Lake Tahoe. Enjoy three nights in the scenic and popular South Lake Tahoe area. Discover Reno & its National Auto Museum and the historic town of Virginia City, once considered the richest city in America during its Old West mining days. Enjoy a Lake Tahoe Paddle Wheeler Cruise for breathtaking scenery & Emerald Bay exploration. Finally a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant will cap off your western adventure.

Please review the itinerary details and keep in mind that roundtrip airfare is included in the tour price. We hope that you can join us on this incredible trip!

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# California Rail Discovery

WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL

featuring San Francisco, Napa Valley & Lake Tahoe







# 7 Days May 1, 2024

### Highlights

- •San Francisco City Tour
- Muir Woods
- Napa Valley Winery Tour & Tasting
- •Sierra Nevada Rail Journey
- California State Railroad Museum
- •San Francisco Bay Cruise
- •Lake Tahoe Paddle Wheeler Cruise
- •Old Sacramento Waterfront
- Virginia City, NV
- •Reno & National Auto Museum
- •Two Night Stay in San Francisco
- •Three Night Stay in Lake Tahoe

#### Inclusions

- •Roundtrip Airfare PHL\*\*
- Tour Director
- 9 Meals (6-Breakfasts & 3-Dinners)
- •Two Beer & Wine Receptions
- Motorcoach Transportation
- •Admissions per Itinerary
- Sightseeing per Itinerary
- Hotel Transfers
- Baggage Handling at Hotels

## Accommodations

6 Nights First Class Hotels

- 2 Hotel Zephyr or Westin St. Francis Union Square, San Francisco
- 1 Hyatt Regency or Embassy Suites, Sacramento
- 3 Lake Tahoe Resort, Harrah's or Harvey's Lake Tahoe, Stateline/South Lake Tahoe area

On some dates alternate hotels may be used





### **Tour Rates**

Booking Discount\*: \$3825 pp double Regular Rate: \$3925 pp double

\*\*Other air gateways are available. For more information and pricing, please call Premier World Discovery at 877-953-8687.

Single Supplement: +\$1025
\*See Reservation Info for Booking Discount details



## **Daily Itinerary**

#### DAY 1: ARRIVE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

Today board your flight bound for the San Francisco Bay Area to begin your California Rail Discovery. Upon arrival meet your **Tour Director** and transfer to your hotel to begin a two night stay in one of the world's most beautiful cities, **San Francisco**. "The City by the Bay" highlights fascinating museums, world-class cuisine & amazing shopping. This evening enjoy a **Beer & Wine Reception** followed by a **Welcome Dinner** with your fellow Council travelers at a popular restaurant in the Fisherman's Wharf/Pier 39 area.

(D) Overnight: San Francisco

#### DAY 2: SAN FRANCISCO CITY TOUR & BAY CRUISE - MUIR WOODS

Today enjoy a San Francisco City Tour to see the Civic Center area, Chinatown, Golden Gate Park, Union Square, Seal Rocks & Pier 39. Experience a San Francisco Bay Cruise featuring views of the Golden Gate Bridge, Alcatraz & the city's skyline. This afternoon cross over the Golden Gate Bridge enroute to visit Muir Woods National Monument to see some of the oldest & the tallest Redwood trees in the world. Later enjoy time at leisure to browse the storefronts along Fisherman's Wharf, sample a chowder-filled sourdough bread bowl or take a Cable Car ride.

(B) Overnight: San Francisco

#### DAY 3: NAPA VALLEY WINERY - OLD SACRAMENTO WATERFRONT

This morning travel into California's famous Napa Valley, where hundreds of wineries prosper and stop for a Winery Tour & Tasting to sample some local wines while learning about wine making. While Napa is best known for its prodigious Cabernet Sauvignon production, growing conditions are favorable for a wide range of grapes. This afternoon travel to Sacramento and arrive at the Old Sacramento Waterfront to visit the California State Railroad Museum to see beautifully restored railroad cars and locomotives that illustrate rail history in California and the West. Old Sacramento was the commercial hub of the Gold Rush Era and is filled with shops, restaurants and entertainment venues yet retains 1800's charm with original storefronts and wooden sidewalks. Later check into your hotel for an overnight stay in the "River City". Tonight join your fellow travelers for dinner at a local restaurant in Sacramento.

(B,D) Overnight: Sacramento

#### DAY 4: SACRAMENTO - SIERRA NEVADA RAIL JOURNEY - LAKE TAHOE

This morning board an Amtrak Train for a **Sierra Nevada Rail Journey** through the beautiful snow capped Sierra Nevada Mountains to the Lake Tahoe area. Disembark your train in Truckee and board your motorcoach to drive to the spectacular year round resort area of Lake Tahoe to spend the next three evenings in the popular and revitalized South Lake Tahoe/Stateline area.

(B) Overnight: Lake Tahoe

#### **DAY 5: RENO - VIRGINIA CITY**

This morning travel through historic Carson City, capital of the Silver State of Nevada enroute to Reno, Nevada and see the iconic 'The Biggest Little City in the World' sign. Visit Reno's famous National Automobile Museum, recognized as one of the top auto museums in the world featuring the original Harrah Auto Collection of gaming pioneer Bill Harrah. Then visit Virginia City, site of the Comstock Lode and once the richest place in the world. The famous Old West town was once the west's mining metropolis and featured notable residents Mark Twain & Bret Harte. Return to your Lake Tahoe resort for an evening at your own pace.

(B) Overnight: Lake Tahoe

#### **DAY 6: LAKE TAHOE CRUISE**

Today enjoy a Lake Tahoe Paddle Wheeler Cruise for spectacular views of the picturesque Sierra Nevada Mountains and Emerald Bay which features the 1929 Nordic-style mansion Vikingsholm. Later, enjoy some leisure time in the Lake Tahoe area. Maybe take a stroll down to the lake, do some shopping or experience the amenities of your resort hotel. Tonight meet your fellow Alumni travelers for a Beer & Wine Reception followed by a Farewell Dinner at a popular local restaurant in Lake Tahoe.

(B,D) Overnight: Lake Tahoe

#### **DAY 7: LAKE TAHOE - SACRAMENTO AIRPORT**

Today transfer to the Sacramento airport & return home with wonderful memories of your California Rail Discovery.





#### **Reservation Information**

#### **DEPOSIT & FINAL PAYMENT**

Deposit of \$400 per person is due with Reservation Form to secure reservations. Final Payment Due Date is 75 days prior to departure.

#### \*BOOKING DISCOUNT

Make your <u>Final Payment by check</u> prior to the Final Payment Due Date

& receive \$200 per couple/\$100 per person Booking Discount!

- •Initial Deposit can be made by check or credit card to be eligible.
- $\bullet \hbox{Payments after Initial Deposit are considered part of Final Payment \& must be made by check. } \\$

ONLINE BOOKING OPTION - Save time, postage & secure your seat for this group departure. Simply type https://res.premierworlddiscovery.com into your web browser & use the Booking Number (Web Code) from this flyer to make your Deposit online in just a few minutes. No need to submit a Reservation Form if booking online.

Reservation Form	Contact:
California Rail Discovery	World Affairs Council
May 1, 2024	One Penn Center
Booking #167757 (Web Code)	1617 John F Kennedy Blvd, Ste 1055
	Philadelphia, PA 19103
Make Checks Payable to:	Phone: 215.561.4700/800.942.5004(x 231 or x 209
Premier World Discovery	travel@wacphila.org www.wacphila.org
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