# **CALIFORNIA DREAMIN' 9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS**

Los Angeles > Santa Barbara > Paso Robles > San Francisco

#### **Overview:**

Enjoy sun, culture, wine, and perhaps even celebrities on this California Dreamin' train tour up the Golden State's breathtaking coast. This trip of a lifetime kicks off in Los Angeles with tours of Rodeo Drive and Beverly Hills. Then, you'll head to Santa Barbara, land of glorious beaches to enjoy the fresh ocean breeze and gorgeous pacific sunset. Treat your palate with delicious wine in the vineyards of Paso Robles. Spend a day touring the architectural wonder, Hearst Castle. Finally, experience beautiful San Francisco with a deluxe sightseeing tour, which includes the Japanese Tea Garden, Fisherman's Wharf, and of course, the Golden Gate Bridge. This tour of the California coast is one you won't want to miss!

## **Highlights:**

- Sightseeing tour of the Stars' Homes
- Hop-on, hop-off sightseeing tour of Santa Barbara
- Sightseeing winery tour of Paso Robles
- Sightseeing tour of Hearst Castle
- Hop-on, hop-off sightseeing tour of San Francisco

## **Package Also Includes:**

- One-way Amtrak® in Coach accommodations from Los Angeles to Santa Barbara; Santa Barbara to Paso Robles;
  Paso Robles to San Francisco on the Coast Starlight®
- Round-trip transportation from Paso Robles Amtrak station to Paso Robles hotel
- 8 nights' hotel accommodations
- 2 meals included (1 lunch, 1 dinner)

### TRIP ITINERARY

## DAY 1 YOUR JOURNEY BEGINS IN LOS ANGELES

Welcome to the "City of Angels"! Los Angeles is known as the entertainment capital of the world, so there is much to see and do here. After your arrival, transfer on your own to your hotel and once you're all settled in, venture out and explore this fascinating city that so many movie stars call home. (Overnight in Los Angeles)

## **DAY 2 LOS ANGELES**

Today you'll get up close and personal with movies stars on a trolley ride through Hollywood and its gorgeous surrounding neighborhoods, like Beverly Hills and Bel-Air. See the stunning homes of many A-listers, like Tom Cruise, Madonna, Jackie Chan, Nicolas Cage, Angelina Jolie, and many more! Don't forget to take in the beautiful scenery along the ride! Your guided trolley tour will be an exciting and enjoyable experience that you will never forget. (Overnight in Los Angeles)

## **DAY 3 LOS ANGELES TO SANTA BARBARA**

Get ready for some breathtaking views of the Pacific Coast! Early this morning, transfer on your own and board Amtrak's Coast Starlight® to Santa Barbara. When you arrive in Santa Barbara this afternoon, transfer to your hotel to settle in and then feel free to explore all this charming coastal town has to offer. With art woven throughout the entire city, Santa Barbara is an art-lover's paradise. (Overnight in Santa Barbara)

## **DAY 4 SANTA BARBARA**

Today you will discover the enchanting seaside haven known as Santa Barbara through a narrated tour aboard an open-air trolley car. Visit popular hot spots, like the Santa Barbara Courthouse, Santa Barbara Zoo, Museum of Natural History, Old Town, and Old Mission. After your tour, you'll have the rest of the day to enjoy Santa Barbara's great shopping, chic restaurants, and exquisite art galleries at your leisure. (Overnight in Santa Barbara)

## **DAY 5 SANTA BARBARA TO PASO ROBLES**

Travel to the station and board Amtrak's Coast Starlight to Paso Robles, one of California's hidden gems. The fertile valleys and long stretches of Pacific Ocean shoreline provide a stunning backdrop for your journey. Upon arriving in Paso Robles, board your included transfer to your hotel, and then spend some time exploring the quaint town square, which offers lots of charming shops and delicious restaurants. (Overnight in Paso Robles)

## **DAY 6 PASO ROBLES AND THE VINEYARDS**

Fancy yourself a wine connoisseur? Then, today is just what you need! Enjoy a celebrated Paso Robles wineries tour, which includes visits to between 4 – 6 different award-winning wineries. Winemaking is a way of life in Paso Robles, and this tour will not disappoint. A leisurely vineyard picnic lunch is included. After your wine tour is complete, head back the town square for more shopping. (Overnight in Paso Robles) **L** 

#### DAY 7 PASO ROBLES TO SAN FRANCISCO

Today you'll enjoy a day tour of the legendary Hearst Castle, one of the most historic estates in the U.S. This beautiful mansion, otherwise known as *La Cuesta Encantada*—Spanish for "Enchanted Hill" was designed by architect, Julia Morgan for newspaper tycoon, William Randolph Hearst. Hearst Castle features 165 rooms, 127 acres of gorgeous gardens, and a renowned art collection. Your transfer to Amtrak is included today, where you will board the train to San Francisco. Upon arrival in Emeryville, you will have a short motorcoach transfer across the bay to San Francisco. (Overnight in San Francisco)

## **DAY 8 SAN FRANCISCO**

Explore all San Francisco has to offer on a hop-on, hop-off sightseeing tour of this magnificent city. Highlights of your tour will include many of the city's prized hotspots, like the Opera House, Old Mission Dolores, the Japanese Tea Garden, the San Francisco Bay, Fisherman's Wharf, and, of course, the iconic Golden Gate Bridge. This evening, dinner in Fisherman's Wharf is included with your stay. (Overnight in San Francisco) **D** 

### DAY 9 YOUR JOURNEY ENDS IN SAN FRANCISCO

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	Moderate Hotel
Los Angeles	The L.A. Downtown Hotel
Santa Barbara	Best Western + Peppertree Inn
Paso Robles	Hampton Inn Paso Robles
San Francisco	Holiday Inn Fisherman's Wharf

DEPARTURE CITY	DEPARTURE TIME	ARRIVAL CITY	ARRIVAL TIME
LOS ANGELES	12:25PM	SANTA BARBARA	3:00PM
SANTA BARBARA	12:40PM	PASO ROBLES	4:37PM
PASO ROBLES	4:37PM	SAN FRANCISCO	10:30PM

## **AMTRAK UPGRADE FEES**

Upgrade	Per person in double	
Roomette	\$110.00	
Bedroom	\$240.00	

# SELLING POINTS: Los Angeles

- Entertainment capital of the world, with most motion picture, television, and recorded music operations centered here
- Home of Hollywood Boulevard and Universal Studios
- Beautiful weather for year-round beach activities especially surfing at popular beaches including Malibu, Santa Monica, and Huntington Beach

## Santa Barbara

- State Street is Santa Barbara's most famous avenue and is known for its shops, art galleries, theaters, and museums.
- Art is woven into the city with art galleries, street art, and even art walking tours.
- Santa Barbara has 3 main beaches; East Beach, West Beach, and Leadbetter Beach.

## **Paso Robles**

- Winemaking is a way of life in the city and is home to multiple vineyards for tours, wine tasting, and beer tasting
- Several attractions for family fun: Paso Robles Pioneer Museum, Studios on the Park, and the Ravine Waterpark

## San Francisco

- San Francisco is smaller than most people think, roughly square in shape and only 7 miles long on each side. Its population is under a million, but they're packed in, making it the second-most densely-populated city in the country.
- Fisherman's Wharf boasts fishing boats, sea lions basking in the sun, seafood stalls and restaurants and sourdough French bread bakeries.
- San Francisco's infamous fog is heaviest in June and July.
- San Francisco has the largest Chinatown outside of Asia and is the oldest Chinatown in North America.