

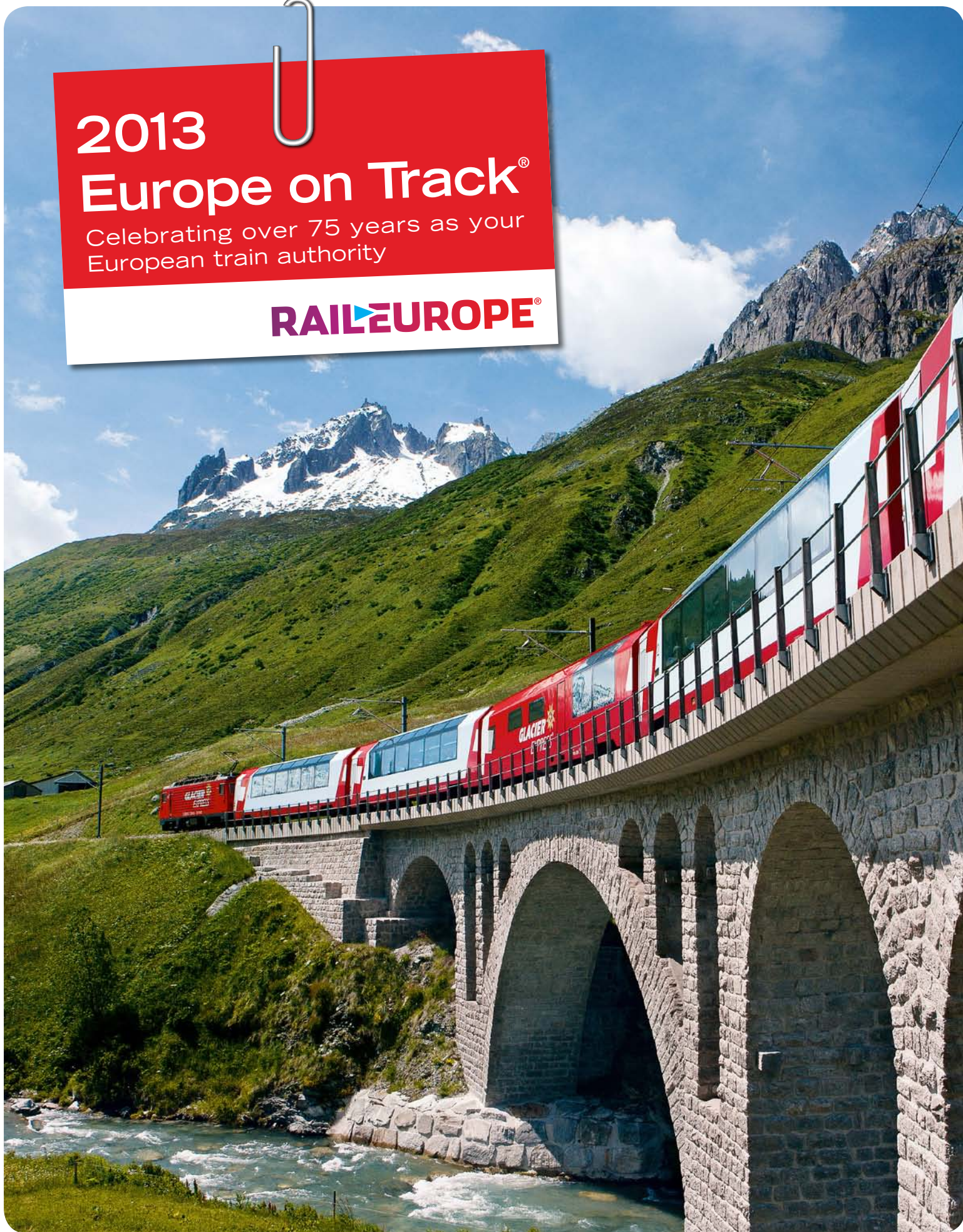


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2013: New Offerings

The train has always been a wonderful way to explore Europe, but never more so than today. With continually expanded routes and schedules, you can go wherever you like without the complications of flying, language difficulties or high gas prices.

And in this “super-networked” age, you’ll find the train still offers the chance to personally connect, letting you enjoy authentic interactions and genuine experiences that will leave you with the memories of a lifetime.

New European Rail Services, Same Old World Excellence

- Italo, the latest generation in high speed rail in Italy. Enjoy non-stop travel between Rome and Milan, Venice and Florence. Additional service provided to Bologna, Naples and Salerno.
- Lyria, the high speed TGV train connecting Switzerland and France features new daily service connecting Paris to Interlaken and weekly service between Lille and Brig.
- Thello allows you to make the most of your time by providing easy overnight travel between Paris and Rome, in addition to their Paris to Venice service.



Neuschwanstein Castle in Germany

More Rail Choices. More Europe.

German Tickets Go Electronic

Rail tickets for travel in Germany will have e-ticketing options with new discounted pricing. You will also be able to take advantage of e-ticketing for travel from Germany to other European destinations.

Turkey Joins Eurail

For travel plans that include Turkey, travelers can now choose between using a Eurail Select Pass with Turkey or a Eurail Global Pass. With the addition of Turkey, the Eurail Global Pass covers 24 countries: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and Turkey.



Elipsos Trainhotel

Eurail Ireland Pass Expands

The Eurail Ireland Pass now features a 3 day in 1-month validity and a Saver pass version.

France bids adieu to Eurail Select Pass

France will no longer be part of the Eurail Select Pass as of 2013. However, you can still enjoy rail travel in France with the national France Rail Pass, the Eurail Global Pass and the following Eurail Regional Passes:

Eurail Benelux – France, Eurail France – Germany, Eurail France – Italy, Eurail France – Spain, and Eurail France – Switzerland Pass.

Extend the coverage of your German Rail Pass

The German Rail Pass Extension, combined with a German Rail Pass, allows you to travel beyond Germany to Brussels, Prague, and popular destinations in Italy and Austria.

Jungfrau VIP Pass

Explore the Jungfrau region with 3 consecutive days of travel on Jungfrau Railways plus travel to Jungfraujoch – Top of Europe. An ideal activity with a Swiss Flexi Pass, Swiss Card, Swiss Transfer Ticket or any Eurail Pass that includes Switzerland.

Your One-Stop-Shop for European Travel

Rail Europe’s extensive product line includes more than rail passes and tickets. We’re proud to offer a wide range of European travel products for your convenience including:

- Rail ‘n Drive Passes
- Swiss mountaintop excursions & hotel packages
- Reservations
- Walking tours, hop-on and off sightseeing buses, and city and museum passes for Europe’s most popular destinations
- Airport transfers
- Sleepers and couchettes
- Luggage services (available in Switzerland and for Eurostar routes)

Affordable Family Travel

Whether you’re taking your child or your closest family or friends, great deals are literally everywhere.

Ask for a free Swiss Family Card when you buy your Swiss Pass and children under 16 can travel free with a parent. With a BritRail Pass a child under 16 can travel free with an adult or senior. And for adults? Almost all of our rail passes are available as discounted Saver Passes, perfect for two or more people traveling together.

Family and friends have always made life rich. Now they make life richer.

Things To Do. And More.

In addition to your rail needs, we offer activities to make the most of your European experience. So what’s next once you arrive at your downtown destination relaxed and ready to go? How about hop-on hop-off bus tours, museum and city transportation cards, and full or half day guided tours? Check out our latest offerings:

- Full day tours of the Champagne Valley, Avila and Segovia, plus half day tours of El Escorial.
- Madrid City Tour joins our line of hop-on hop-off bus tours, bringing the total to 35.
- Reach the summit of Mount Stanserhorn in Switzerland with our special ticket providing round-trip travel from Stans to the Stanserhorn summit by nostalgic tram and the world’s first double decker open-air cable car.
- Travel roundtrip from Zermatt to Matterhorn Glacier Paradise using the highest cable car in Europe and experience panoramic views of the Swiss, Italian and French Alps.
- Enjoy our expanded Cruise ‘n Dine options offering family friendly lunch and early dinner cruises on the Seine River.
- Get the Frankfurt card for discounts to museums, attractions and free public transportation in Frankfurt.

Are You On Board? Great!

With so many travel and budget choices, where do you start? Let’s begin with how you like to travel. Are you a planner, or more of a free spirit? We have great options for both, with expert advice that includes personalized recommendations and booking wizardry to get you the right tickets and passes at the best possible prices.

Do you know the cities where you want to travel? If you’re planning on visiting just two cities or traveling by rail for less than three days, point-to-point tickets might be the right choice for you. We also offer tickets that can be used as airport transfers (available on certain routes) to and from the cities of your destination.

If you know the countries you want to explore and want to wander within them, we make it easy. Rail passes are the ideal companion for the adventurous traveler. They’ll allow you to explore one or more countries and wait until you’re in Europe to decide on the details; to change plans at will within your country of choice. They’re perfect for anyone planning to travel for more than three days or who wants an open itinerary.

Rail passes are available two ways. A Consecutive Pass provides consecutive days of unlimited rail travel during however many days you’ve purchased. It’s ideal for anyone expecting daily train travel (available for Eurail Global Pass, Swiss Pass and BritRail Passes). The Flexipass is valid for a specific number of days within a longer period of time (for example, three days within one month). This offers greater flexibility when choosing your rail travel days as they do not need to be used consecutively. Additionally, most passes are available in first and second class and many offer discounts for youth and multiple travelers.

“*Train travel gives you an opportunity to just look out and see the beautiful countryside and to share it...from 30,000 feet up on a plane you don’t see a whole lot.*”

– Kyle & Barbara



Eurostar train in St. Pancras International in the UK

Sometimes It's The Train That Really Flies.

Many travelers are choosing train travel over air travel. In addition to being whisked from city center to city center, high speed trains offer extraordinary comfort, excellent amenities and the ultimate efficiency, traveling at speeds up to 200 mph. Here you will find some of our most popular high speed trains, many of which offer e-tickets.



Eurostar (Britain, France, Belgium)

Seamless travel between St. Pancras station in the heart of London and the center of Paris, Brussels, Lille, Avignon, the French Alps and easy connections to the Swiss Alps. With journey times from as little as 2h 1m, you will arrive in record time.



ICE (Germany)

Enjoy short journeys to all the major German cities including Frankfurt, Hamburg, Stuttgart, Munich, Cologne and Berlin. Plus connecting train services to Switzerland, Austria, Belgium, France and the Netherlands.



Italo (Italy)

Italo, the latest generation in high speed rail in Italy offers service from Venice to Rome, with stops in Padua, Bologna and Florence, and from Torino to Salerno, with stops in Milan, Bologna, Florence, Rome and Naples. Enjoy non-stop travel between Rome and Milan.



RENFE (Spain)

Spain's high speed lines link Madrid to Barcelona, Malaga, Seville, Valencia in less than 2h 40m.



TGV (France)

The high speed rail network in France connects over 200 French cities and the neighboring countries of Belgium, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Italy and Germany.



Thalys (Netherlands, Belgium, France, Germany)

High speed trains link Paris to Brussels, Amsterdam, and Cologne and many cities in between. Travel from Brussels to Amsterdam in 1h 53m.



Frecciarossa & Frecciargento (Italy)

You'll find speedy service to Italian city centers including Rome, Florence, Venice, Milan, Bologna and Naples, plus convenient access to smaller Italian towns and destinations. Travel from Milan to Rome in under 3h.



SJ High Speed (Sweden)

At speeds of up to 125 mph, you can travel between Stockholm and major cities in the south and southwest of Sweden, including international routes to bordering countries.

Some Popular Routes & Travel Times

Travel Time By*	Trains/Day	Train	Air**	Car/Motorcoach
Amsterdam - Brussels	9	1h 54m	4h 20m	3h
Amsterdam - Frankfurt	7	3h 46m	4h 40m	4h 50m
Amsterdam - Paris	7	3h 18m	4h 50m	5h 30m
Avignon - Nice	7	2h 50m	NA	3h
Avignon - Paris	16	2h 40m	NA	6h 50m
Barcelona - Madrid	26	2h 40m	4h 35m	6h 45m
Berlin - Frankfurt	14	4h 07m	4h 35m	5h 40m
Brussels - Frankfurt	6	2h 57m	4h 35m	4h 30m
Brussels - London***	10	2h 01m	4h 40m	5h
Brussels - Paris	25	1h 22m	4h 30m	3h 30m
Bordeaux - Paris	21	3h 05m	4h 35m	7h
Edinburgh - London	15	4h 16m	5h	7h 30m
Florence - Milan	31	1h 36m	NA	3h 40m
Florence - Rome	54	1h 25m	4h 25m	3h 20m
Frankfurt - Munich	21	3h 10m	4h 40m	4h 10m
Frankfurt - Paris	5	3h 50m	4h 50m	5h 50m
Geneva - Paris	9	3h 09m	4h 40m	5h 30m
London - Paris***	17	2h 15m	4h 40m	6h 10m
Lyon - Paris	27	1h 59m	NA	4h 45m
Madrid - Seville	22	2h 20m	4h 30m	5h 40m
Marseille - Paris	18	3h	4h 50m	7h 30m
Milan - Venice	22	2h 23m	NA	3h 45m
Milan - Zurich	6	3h 41m	4h 25m	4h
Naples - Rome	34	1h 10m	4h 25m	2h 50m
Paris - Strasbourg	16	2h 18m	4h 30m	5h
Paris - Zurich	6	4h 03m	4h 35m	6h 30m
Prague - Vienna	7	4h 05m	4h 30m	5h
Rome - Venice	26	3h 15m	4h 35m	6h

*City center to city center **Includes estimated transfer and check in times
 ***Add 10-30 minutes to train time for check in

European Rail Map



Frequently Asked Questions:

How and when do I get my rail pass/ticket?

You can make your purchase through your travel agent or directly from Rail Europe (online or by phone). Tickets can be purchased from 60 to 120 days in advance depending on the route. And for the best discounts, the earlier the better (at least one month in advance).

Should I reserve a seat?

If you're booking a ticket on our website that offers reserved seats, we'll reserve them and it's included in the cost of the ticket. With a rail pass, the cost for a reservation is an additional fee. But reserve it when you buy your pass and you'll be sitting pretty and stress free.



Train Station at Charles de Gaulle, Paris Airport - © SNCF - Patrick Curtet



Grand Canal in Venice, Italy

How do I travel with a ticket?

On your ticket you'll find the car/coach, seat number and class of service printed. Whenever possible, a seat reservation is confirmed and included with the cost of your ticket. Simply find the corresponding car/coach number on the platform and board the train.

How do I travel with a pass?

If you've purchased a pass you are entitled to travel on board the national trains of a specific geographic area (defined at time of purchase) for a specific number of days. These days can be consecutive (say, five days in a row) or you can travel random days within a longer period of time - up to two months depending on the pass.

High speed trains and night trains usually require you to reserve your seat or sleeper. You can purchase your reservation through Rail Europe or locally. Please note that the number of available seats can be limited, so the earlier you purchase an advance reservation the better, especially if traveling at peak times on popular routes.

For your first day of travel, just head to any railway station and have your pass validated. Then clearly write the current date (Day/Month/Year) on your pass; you can use it for the entire day until midnight. If your first train leaves after 7pm for your overnight travel, just enter the next day's date on your pass. Once on board all you have to do is show your pass to the conductor, along with your reservation when appropriate.

In addition to the travel benefits a pass already gives you, simply showing it may qualify you for many trip-enhancing discounts. You will also be eligible for special passholder fares on high-speed trains. For example, any pass that includes France, Belgium or Britain makes you eligible for discounted fares on Eurostar.

Do you offer e-tickets?

Yes, e-tickets are available on many high speed trains such as TGV, Eurostar, ICE, Italo, Thalys and AVE reaching France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Great Britain, Germany, Italy and Spain. Whenever available for your journey, e-tickets will be offered as a delivery option online during check-out through our contact center or via the Rail Europe iPhone app and mobile website.

What type of compartments or sleeping accommodations are available on overnight trains?

They vary according to the train and route. The most common compartments are Singles, Doubles, and Couchettes. Some offer T3, T4, and Deluxe Sleepers.

A **Single** is a first-class compartment that contains one bed, a private washbasin, linens and towels.

A **Double** is the same as a single with 2 beds (usually bunked).

A **Couchette** is a very affordable second-class option with 6 bunked beds and a public washroom within each car.

T3 compartments contain 3 beds, a private washbasin, fresh linens and towels. The **T4** compartments contain 4 beds plus the amenities of a T3.

Deluxe Sleepers include a private restroom in your compartment.

What do I do with my luggage?

Storage compartments are available on all trains and are located at the end of each car and/or above the seats. Pack lightly for manageability and allow time if you have more than one suitcase and need to change trains. Please label your luggage to avoid mix ups, and note that some major train stations do have luggage storage facilities. For groups of 10 or more, luggage handling is available for advanced purchase on select trains.

How do I find my train?

It's easy. At the train station, you'll see large Departure and Arrival Boards located in the center of most stations. Simply match the train number and departure time on your reservation or ticket to the train number on the departure board. The platform number where you should go will be listed right next to it. Once on the platform you'll notice that each car (also known as a coach) has a clear identification number on its side. Your reservation/ticket will list your car/coach number and your class of service.

Are additional services available at the stations?

Most stations offer services such as currency exchanges, shops, information desks, restrooms, restaurants and more. You can unwind at Europe's longest champagne bar at London's St. Pancras. Enjoy high-end fashionista shopping at Milan Centrale. And how about a little art infusion at Madrid's Atocha Train Station, home to a permanent sculpture display? You'll also find that many of Europe's train stations are hubs for other transportation like local buses.



Travelers in Italy.



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“I think the best thing about taking the train is that there are a lot of people from all over the place traveling on the train and you meet people from different countries and if you talk to them you learn about their culture. I actually made friends with a fellow traveler from Turkey; I never would've done that if I hadn't taken the train.”

– Eling

Simplicity Is In Our DNA

With over 50 different train companies across Europe, it's much easier for the North American traveler to ride the rails than plan their own trip on them. That's why we're here. We offer a unified booking experience across Europe, with the ability to package products from different carriers.

With our roots dating back over 75 years, we have special relationships with rail carriers. These relationships have led to special agreements benefiting our clients, including technology that enables us to offer and sell more rail travel options than any other provider.

It's simple. With Rail Europe you don't have to sort out the details, we already have.

Part Of Every Rail Europe View; A Greener Future.

The train brings out our best. It's relaxing. It's serene. It's intimate. It opens us to everything the journey has to offer; the simple pleasures of personally connecting with other people and cultures.

We also believe part of that serenity comes from knowing the train is a low-impact form of travel that preserves the authenticity of the regions and natural beauty we pass through. In fact, high-speed trains are three times as energy efficient as regional trains, but even the slowest train is 25% more energy efficient than cars.

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