



# SUMMER BREEZES & STINKING ROSES BY RAIL

FEATURING THE GILROY GARLIC FESTIVAL, COAST STARLIGHT TRAIN, SANTA CRUZ BEACH TRAIN, CARMEL

## JULY 23-26, 2014 ~ 4 DAY TOUR



TOUR PACE  Leisurely  On the Go  ACTIVITY LEVEL  Low  High

### ~DAY BY DAY ITINERARY~

#### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ride along California's coast aboard the deluxe *Coast Starlight* featuring a dining car and observation car for spectacular ocean views
- ◆ Join in the celebration of all things garlic at the annual Gilroy Garlic Festival, a culinary spectacle featuring entertainment, arts & crafts and garlic foods like garlic scones, garlic ice cream and garlic chocolate
- ◆ Ride the rails aboard the *Santa Cruz Beach Train* traveling through the redwoods of the Santa Cruz Mountains to the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk with time at leisure to stroll along the historic Boardwalk
- ◆ Stay three nights in Carmel at the deluxe *Carmel Mission Inn* with a charmingly stylish setting and an array of gracious amenities that include a heated pool and hot tub

*Embark on an eclectic adventure that combines two spectacular train rides with a culinary spectacle. Ride along the California Coast aboard the Coast Starlight Train. Then ride the rails from trees to shining seas as you travel through California redwoods to the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk. Join in the celebration of all things garlic at the annual Gilroy Garlic Festival. All the while join a leisurely single-hotel stay at a quaint inn in Carmel-by-the-Sea on the Monterey Peninsula.*



Santa Cruz Beach Train

#### FINE HOTELS / GREAT LOCATIONS

- ◆ Nights 1-3 Carmel Mission Inn  
Carmel, CA

#### TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ◆ 3 Nights deluxe hotel accommodations
- ◆ 4 Meals – 1 dinner, 3 breakfasts
- ◆ Services of a professional GTT tour director
- ◆ Admissions per itinerary
- ◆ Transportation on a deluxe motorcoach and aboard Amtrak's deluxe *Coast Starlight* train
- ◆ Luggage handling throughout the tour

#### PER PERSON PRICES

Double \$799 / Single \$1,139 • Deposit \$150  
Travel Protection/Cancellation Plan – see reverse



#### ◆DAY 1 ~ CENTRAL COAST BY RAIL◆

From our departure points this morning we will travel by motorcoach to the Oxnard train station. Then, board **Amtrak's Coast Starlight** and travel by train to San Luis Obispo allowing you to see much of the California coast that is hidden from the roads traveled by car. Enjoy lunch in the dining car, enjoy the views from the observation car, or take a nap at your seat. Upon our arrival in San Luis Obispo, we'll continue our journey to Carmel by motorcoach. Our accommodations for three nights is at a quaint inn situated in the coastal town of **Carmel**. This charming and stylish property offers an array of gracious amenities including a heated pool and a spacious hot tub. This evening an included **welcome dinner** at a local favorite. (Dinner)



Coast Starlight Train

#### ◆DAY 2 ~ GILROY GARLIC FESTIVAL◆

After an included breakfast at our hotel this morning, we will travel through the beautiful countryside to the town of Gilroy for the annual **Gilroy Garlic Festival**. This is the 36<sup>th</sup> year of this celebration of garlic which has grown to become one of the largest food festivals in the U.S. While today is opening day, it is also the least crowded of the three-day event. Spend your time at leisure sampling a unique combination of food including garlic ice cream, garlic scones, garlic chocolate and other garlic delights. Enjoy the entertainment, arts & crafts and a variety of activities. Pick up some new recipes and watch the great garlic cook-off. Your taste buds won't know what hit them during this *fun and fragrant* culinary experience. We return to Monterey this afternoon with time at your leisure in downtown Monterey and **Cannery Row**. The ocean canyon surrounding Monterey Bay is deeper than the Grand Canyon and harbors a rich variety of sea life, which can be seen up-close this afternoon on an optional excursion to the world-famous **Monterey Bay Aquarium**. Here you can explore the hidden world of this spectacular ocean realm at the heart of the nation's largest marine sanctuary. Enjoy dinner at leisure in downtown Carmel. This popular retreat for writers, artists and celebrities offers great boutiques, galleries and restaurants. (Breakfast)



Ride Through the Redwoods

#### ◆DAY 3 ~ SANTA CRUZ◆

Following an included breakfast at our hotel this morning, we'll travel along the coast, through a beautiful valley and into the **Santa Cruz Mountains**. Here we will find **Roaring Camp** which resembles a 1880s logging town. Shop in the old-fashioned general store or explore vintage western structures, such as an opera house, depot and cov-

## RESERVATIONS

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Tour operated by *Good Times Travel*  
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## PAYMENT INFORMATION

♦ Deposit due at time of booking to the address above (*Good Times Travel* will contact you for the travel protection)

♦ *Good Times Travel* will invoice you for the balance payment 6-8 weeks prior

ered bridge. Then, it's *all aboard* a 100-year-old steam train for a ride through towering **California Redwoods**. When this same route opened in 1875 it carried lumber as well as picnickers and tourists to the redwoods and Santa Cruz. This grove of redwoods, part of **Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park**, was the first grove of coastal redwoods, that was set aside for preservation – back in 1867. After traveling down the scenic San Lorenzo River Gorge, across a 1909 steel truss bridge and through an 1875 tunnel, we'll arrive at the **Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk**. Enjoy time for lunch on own and browsing at leisure along the Boardwalk – one of California's great summer destinations. We return to Carmel this afternoon with the balance of the day at leisure to enjoy this coastal town or take a walk on the beach. (Breakfast)

♦ **DAY 4 ~ SOLVANG, JOURNEY HOME** ♦  
This morning, following an included breakfast at our hotel, we begin our journey home. We'll make a stop this afternoon in **Solvang** for time at leisure for lunch and browsing. When visiting Solvang you enter the "Danish Capital of America." Quaint old-world architectural styles blend with flower-lined streets to create a walkable village. Wonderful shops offer imported European wares and collectibles, and the delicious bakeries and restaurants are a delight. We'll return home this evening with the sights, smells and memories of our journey to Carmel, Gilroy and Santa Cruz forever ingrained in our minds. (Breakfast)

## TRAVEL PROTECTION / CANCELLATION

Travel protection/cancellation insurance is highly recommended for all multi-day tours. If travel protection has not been purchased, only recoverable funds less a cancellation charge of \$50 will be reimbursed once payment has been made. Amount of reimbursement depends on the date of cancellation.

If travel protection has been purchased and you must cancel prior to departure or leave the tour enroute for a reason approved by the insurance company, you will receive a full refund (or partial if enroute), minus the cost of the premium. Other benefits of travel protection include medical expenses for illness and injury. Pre-existing medical conditions are only covered if protection is purchased at the time of deposit. Travel protection must be purchased by the time balance payment is made. See travel protection plan for full details and exclusions.

## DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Park and join this tour at one of the following locations:

Fountain Valley - Good Times Travel office

Long Beach - City College - Lot "O"

*Departure time depends on location*

*Exact times are provided 2 weeks prior to departure*

## ACTIVITY LEVEL / WALKING

Tour pacing and physical demands (walking/stairs, etc.) varies by each tour however every tour involves some walking and climbing stairs to enter/exit the motorcoach. On any tour you may stay on the motorcoach should you not wish to disembark at a specific location

## FURTHER INFORMATION / TERMS

See *Good Times Travel* catalog  
or [www.goodtimestravel.com](http://www.goodtimestravel.com)