



Good Times Travel *Central Coast Safari, Wine & Rails*

Featuring a Pismo Beach Oceanfront Hotel, Animal Encounters, Paso Robles Wine Country, *Coast Starlight* Train
February 17-19, 2027 – 3 Day Tour

Tour Highlights

- ♦ Savor a relaxing, two-night stay in an ocean-view room with private balcony or patio at an upscale, full-service, oceanfront Pismo Beach hotel that features a contemporary and stylish design along with a bit of fun and nostalgia
- ♦ Settle in for a relaxing, five-hour rail journey with an included boxed lunch aboard Amtrak's premier *Coast Starlight* train, offering unparalleled views of California's spectacular coastline and fertile valleys from its observation car featuring floor-to-ceiling windows
- ♦ Discover the Central Coast's wild side during unforgettable, up-close animal encounters at a horse and goat farm, a turtle and tortoise haven and a monarch butterfly grove
- ♦ Enjoy an included lunch and wine tasting at an award-winning Paso Robles winery
- ♦ Explore downtown San Luis Obispo's Thursday night Farmers' Market and street faire
- ♦ Enjoy time at leisure in Solvang, the quaint town known as "America's Little Denmark"



Tour Inclusions

- ♦ 2 Nights deluxe hotel accommodations
- ♦ 4 Meals – 2 lunches, 2 breakfasts
- ♦ Services of a professional GTT tour director
- ♦ Comprehensive sightseeing
- ♦ Admissions per the itinerary
- ♦ Transportation aboard a deluxe motorcoach and Amtrak's *Coast Starlight* Train
- ♦ Luggage handling throughout the tour
- ♦ Water bottles, snacks and candy onboard

Tour Prices

Double Occupancy: \$899 per person
Single Occupancy (no roommate): Add \$250



Make a Booking



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Accommodations

- ♦ Nights 1-2 **SeaCrest OceanFront Hotel**
Pismo Beach, CA

Departure Information

Join this tour from one of our convenient departure points available in these cities:

- ♦Fountain Valley ♦Laguna Hills ♦Long Beach

Approximate Departure Time: 7-9 a.m.

Approximate Return Time: 6-8 p.m.

Payment Information

- ♦ Full payment due at time of booking
- ♦ Payment may be made by mailing a check to the above address or by making a credit card payment at www.goodtimestravel.com

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Adjustments to the Itinerary

While we make every effort to operate our tours as advertised, should we be forced to adjust the itinerary prior to departure or while on tour, these changes will be communicated to you and only done when absolutely necessary.

Tour Pace & Activity Level



Visit our website for further explanation of what each of these designations means to assist you in determining which tour is right for you based on your physical abilities and the pacing you prefer.

Itinerary

All aboard for an unforgettable three-day rail journey showcasing the spectacular coastline, the Paso Robles Wine Country and the cuddly critters along California's Central Coast. Experience delightful animal encounters, savor award-winning wines and discover charming towns while enjoying a relaxing, two-night stay with an oceanview room at an upscale, oceanfront hotel on a bluff overlooking Pismo Beach.

Day 1 – Coastal Train Ride, Pismo Beach (Wednesday, February 17)

From our departure points this morning we'll travel aboard a deluxe motorcoach to downtown Los Angeles' Union Station. *All aboard* Amtrak's renowned **Coast Starlight train** for a spectacular, **five-hour rail journey** along California's dramatic coastline and through its fertile valleys. We'll travel along Point Conception and through Vandenberg Space Force Base, offering views of launch complexes and pristine, undeveloped coastline only visible by train. Enjoy an included boxed lunch onboard, with additional snacks and drinks available for purchase in the snack bar. Relax in your reclining seat or check out the view from the **Observation Car** (all group seats and observation car seats are located on the upper level of the train with stairs required), featuring floor-to-ceiling panoramic windows providing unparalleled views. Upon arrival in **San Luis Obispo**, we'll reboard our motorcoach for the short drive to **Pismo Beach**, a classic California beach town with sweeping views of the Pacific. Settle in for a relaxing two-night stay in an **oceanview room**—complete with private balcony or patio—at an upscale, oceanfront hotel that perfectly blends contemporary style with a splash of retro nostalgia. Perched on a bluff overlooking the coast, this seaside retreat features a heated pool, multiple spas, and four viewing terraces, including a rooftop terrace with cozy fire pits. With an on-site restaurant and direct stairway access to the untouched sandy beach below, it's the perfect coastal getaway. (Lunch)

Day 2 – Paso Robles Wine Country, Pismo Beach (Thursday, February 18)

Following an included breakfast at the hotel, we'll head to a local **horse and goat farm** for a series of unique, interactive animal encounters. On a guided tour, we'll meet and mingle with miniature horses, alpacas, and playful goats (at the time of year when baby goats are most likely). You'll learn fun facts about these charming animals as you pet and interact with them, and can browse the farm store afterward for homemade treats like their popular goat milk lotion. Next, we'll head deep into the heart of **Paso Robles Wine Country**, where California's winemaking roots run deep. First planted by Franciscan monks in the late 1700s along El Camino Real, the region has grown into the state's fastest-growing wine destination, boasting over 200 wineries and earning global acclaim for its world-class Rhône varietals and blends. We'll be the judges during an included lunch and wine tasting at a picturesque, boutique vineyard where rustic elegance meets wine country charm. This afternoon, we'll return to the coast to visit the **Pismo Beach Monarch Butterfly Grove**, where vibrant orange and black Monarch butterflies gather each winter in the eucalyptus trees. Natural population numbers fluctuate from year to year, but the grove has seen impressive surges, with over 24,000 butterflies counted in recent seasons. This evening, dinner is on your own at one of the restaurants within walking distance of the hotel. Or, take advantage of our complimentary motorcoach transportation to the famous **Downtown San Luis Obispo's Farmers' Market** and street faire (weather permitting). This iconic, one-night-a-week event has been a Central Coast treasure since 1983, bringing locals and visitors together across five lively, historic blocks. You'll have time at leisure to explore stalls packed with famous barbecued specialties, fresh-picked produce, baked goods, crafts, and entertaining local street performers. (Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 3 – Solvang, Journey Home (Friday, February 19)

Following an included breakfast at the hotel, we'll visit a **turtle and tortoise sanctuary**—a lush, ecologically friendly 5-acre haven that provides shelter for these amazing reptiles and their fellow cohabiting creatures. On a guided tour, we'll get up close to a variety of fascinating residents and learn about the sanctuary's inspiring mission, which has rescued, protected, and nurtured an estimated 5,000 animals over the last 30 years! We'll travel south to the beautiful **Santa Ynez Valley** and the historic Danish town of **Solvang**. Known as America's famous "Little Denmark," Solvang will captivate you with its traditional old-world architecture, spinning windmills, and flower-lined streets that make it an incredibly walkable village. Enjoy time at leisure for lunch on your own and exploration of 100 one-of-a-kind boutiques, European import shops, and artisan galleries. Be sure to visit the authentic Danish bakeries selling fresh-made aebleskivers, crisp butter cookies, and flaky fruit kringle! We'll continue south to our drop-off points, returning this evening with many fond memories of our adventures along California's beautiful Central Coast. (Breakfast)

While a rare occurrence, should Amtrak cancel the Coast Starlight train, an Amtrak Surfliner train will be substituted, or a sit-down lunch will be added in lieu of the train and boxed lunch. Farm/sanctuary visits may be replaced in inclement weather.