



Heartland Flyer features “wine train” to celebrate National Train Day

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Heartland Flyer riders will be in for a treat when traveling between Ft. Worth, Texas, and Oklahoma City on National Train Day, Saturday, May 7.

The *Heartland Flyer* will join the national festivities by promoting locally grown products during the ride to Oklahoma City. Tickets are selling fast, but can still be purchased by calling 1-800-USA-RAIL. The train departs the Amtrak Station in Ft. Worth at 5:25 p.m. with arrival at Oklahoma City's Santa Fe Station at 9:39 p.m.

During the ride, riders will be treated to a wine and cheese tasting that will showcase the wines of Territory Cellars from Stroud and the cheese of Kingfisher-based Christian Cheese.

Passengers also will have a chance to enjoy the unique panoramic views the train has to offer. Spectacular vistas include Washita River crossings as the train passes through the Arbuckle Mountains.

National Train Day commemorates the first transcontinental railroad and celebrates the vital role that rail plays in our nation's transportation system. Festivities are planned throughout the nation in honor of the annual event.

The celebration is already underway with a 20 percent discount on travel through the end of June. Tickets are normally about \$40 round trip per passenger. To qualify for the discount, tickets must be purchased at least three days in advance by calling 1-800-USA-RAIL. Please refer to discount code V547. Seating is limited.

Amtrak operates the *Heartland Flyer* under state-funded contracts with Oklahoma and Texas Departments of Transportation to provide daily service, with regularly scheduled stops in Norman, Purcell, Pauls Valley, Ardmore, and in Gainesville, Texas.

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