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2018 Santa Barbara Car Free “Take the Train” Offer Features 20% Savings on Amtrak & Specials on Hotels, Wine/Dine & Activities

Santa Barbara, California— The Santa Barbara Car Free Project invites visitors to show their train tickets to Santa Barbara County and enjoy car free fun and experiences through December 31, 2018. The new 2018 “Take the Train” offer features specials on Amtrak train tickets, bicycling, sailing cruises, horseback riding, museum and zoo visits as well as hotel savings and more. Lyz Hoffman, coordinator of the award-winning project at Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District remarked, “Just show your train ticket when you check into a participating hotel to receive special offers. Plus, our partners are also offering some great car free experiences, like a walking food-and-wine tour, sailing excursion, whale watching, wine tasting, and a visit to a museum or the zoo.” **Complete details at** <https://www.santabarbaracarfree.org/2018-car-free-experience/>

Twelve Amtrak trains arrive/depart Santa Barbara every day including the *Coast Starlight* (Los Angeles to Seattle) plus the popular *Pacific Surfliner* (between San Diego, Los Angeles and San Luis Obispo). Santa Barbara Car Free travelers can save 20% on the Amtrak Pacific Surfliner® (plus associated thruway buses) for travel to or from the following Santa Barbara County stations: Carpinteria, Santa Barbara, University of California-Santa Barbara, Goleta, Guadalupe, Lompoc, Surf, Solvang, Santa Maria and Buellton. Tickets must be purchased three days in advance through this link (certain restrictions apply):

<https://www.santabarbaracarfree.org/train/>

Through December 31, 2018, travelers to Santa Barbara can show their Amtrak tickets (paper, e-ticket, or mobile device) to the following **attractions and activities for specials and experiences: Adventure Company of Santa Barbara** (kayaking & surf lessons), **Captain Jack’s Tours & Events** (wine tasting or horseback riding), **Celebration Cruises, CONDOR Express** (whale watching), **Eat This, Shoot That! Santa Barbara Food & Wine Tours; I Bike Santa Barbara** (cycling wine tours), **MOXI—The Wolf Museum of Exploration + Innovation, Paseo Nuevo Shops & Restaurants, Santa Barbara FisHouse, Santa Barbara Maritime Museum, Santa Barbara Sailing Center, Santa Barbara Trolley Company, Santa Barbara Wine Country Tours, Santa Barbara Zoo, Sunset Kidd Sailing Cruises, Test Pilot** (cocktails), **The Good Lion** (cocktails), **Wheel Fun Rentals** (bikes) and **Wine Edventures** (tours).

Upon check-in at the following **hotels and inns**, travelers to Santa Barbara will receive special offers when presenting their train tickets at: **Beach House Inn, Belmond El Encanto, Best Western Plus Encina Inn & Suites, Best Western Plus Pepper Tree Inn, Brisas del Mar Inn at the Beach, Cheshire Cat Inn, Franciscan Inn, Hilton Santa Barbara Beachfront Resort, Hotel Indigo, Hotel Santa Barbara, Inn by the Harbor, Lavender Inn by the Sea, Old Yacht Club Inn, Santa Barbara Inn, The Eagle inn, The Upham Hotel and The Wayfarer.**

Santa Barbara Car Free is an award-winning project founded and led by the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District with more than 100 community partners who are dedicated to making car free vacations care-free. Find resources and car free discovery ideas at www.SantaBarbaraCarFree.org

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*Editors Note: Hi-res Car Free photo images readily available upon request from laura@mariahmarketing.com