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On June 20, 1930, the *Glacier Express* inaugurated rail service across Europe's rugged, majestic mountain backbone, the towering Swiss Alps. Over the ensuing three quarters of a century, travelers have enjoyed this scenic, leisurely journey aboard "the slowest fast train in the world," past ever-changing vistas of lofty, snow-crowned peaks, ribbon-like waterfalls, rushing streams, glacier-carved valleys, verdant upland meadows and storybook alpine villages.

Sleek, modern carriages glide along the track linking Zermatt, dramatically set against the distinctive pyramidal backdrop of the Matterhorn, to the forested heart of Switzerland and the world-famous resort of St. Moritz. The journey affords passengers a showcase of both natural and manmade wonders, for the fabled beauty of the Alps is rivaled by the skill and inventiveness of the engineers who laid out this route across Europe's most challenging terrain—arched stone bridges span the tumbling headwaters of some of the continent's greatest rivers, and the nine-and-one-half-mile-long Furka Tunnel penetrates the mountainous barrier separating the cantons of Valais and Uri.



## TRAIN SPECIFICATIONS

Nationality of Staff:	European
Number of Passengers:	132/188
Maximum Elevation:	6,670 ft above sea level
Number of Bridges/Tunnels:	291/91
Average Speed:	22 mph
Built:	2006