# CELEBRATING AMERICAN CAR CULTURE AMERICAN CAR CULTURE BY RAIL

20TH - 23RD FEBRUARY 2025





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## THE ULTIMATE AMERICARNA EXPRERIENCE

Americarna is the ultimate celebration of American car culture. If you don't have a car to take and join in the festivities, don't stress, cruise into the heart of the festival by heritage train! These special train packages make it easy for out-of-town visitors to join the festivities. It's a fantastic way to experience everything Americarna has to offer without the hassle of driving or parking, allowing more people to immerse themselves in the excitement of the American car culture.

One of our locomotives up front is a 1950's era Da Class diesel electric, powered by a twin-supercharged V12 motor, developing over 1400hp! Known for its robust design and reliability, it serves as a fine product of General Motors - the pinnacle in cutting edge technology for it's time.



## THE 4 DAY ITINERARY

**THURSDAY 20TH FEBRUARY** - Our diesel hauled heritage train departs Paraparaumu for Taranaki, travelling through the Horowhenua & Manawatu regions - picking up at Levin, Palmerston North & Whanganui enroute. Spend the afternoon nestled in the township of Inglewood and explore the muscle cars as part of the Americarna Festival. The locals host an astounding street party and experience live entertainment, indulge in superb food, refreshing beverages, craft stalls, and fantastic kids' activities, before jumping back on the train to head into New Plymouth in the evening.



**FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY** – Join us on Steam Incorporated's big red train, hauled by heritage diesel electric locomotives trailing a convoy of roaring, chrome-clad legends as they cruise down the highways of South Taranaki, turning heads and capturing hearts.

Departing from the New Plymouth Wind Wand at 9:30am, returning at 5pm making stops at Stratford & Hāwera. Whether you're a car aficionado or simply looking for a memorable outing, this train experience promises a day filled with adrenaline, nostalgia, and enjoyment. In the evening, return to New Plymouth for the Friday night cruising in the CBD.

Limited seats available for this day excursion!





**SATURDAY 22ND FEBRUARY** - Find your own way into town for, Americarnival! From 10am to 3pm on Devon St East in the New Plymouth CBD, witness entrant vehicles on display, free for all to enjoy. Grab a coffee and a bite to eat alongside free activities at Puke Ariki Landing. Explore craft stalls at Huatoki Plaza and Currie Street. The CBD will buzz with energy, creating an irresistible atmosphere. Immerse yourself in the vibrant event, accompanied by fantastic music and a delectable array of refreshments available at local bars, restaurants, and cafés. Join us for a sensational day of fun and excitement at Americarnival! An Optional Train Ride to Lepperton is available to spice up your day!



**SUNDAY 23RD FEBRUARY** – Join the train at the New Plymouth Wind Wand first thing in the morning and settle in for our return journey back to the Kapiti Coast, throughout the day. As we drop you home after a whirlwind few days with Steam Incorporated, and the festivities of Americarna, take the time to reflect on being involved in a first for the Americarna event! The first train to be involved with the celebrations, and you've been apart of it! Look back through pictures, and share in the memories with those that have travelled with you whilst our team takes the stress out of your travel.

The railway track south unveils some of New Zealand's best hidden scenery. Enjoy a leg stretch en route at Waverley & Palmerston North, and take in the sights from our open viewing platform carriage! Upon disembarking the train at one of the designated stops en route, make your own way home as the train is put to bed after a busy 4 days of running in the Taranaki region. Americarna 2025 is extremely excited to welcome Supercheap Auto as the events naming right sponsor, but now we have the added attraction of **Steam Incorporated** bringing two American diesel locomotives and enough passenger carriages to cater for three hundred people at a time throughout the weekend. We're excited at the prospect of the train bringing visitors to experience the magic of Americarna, and all there is to see, do, eat and discover in Taranaki, Like No Other.

Friday will see the train will travel from New Plymouth to Stratford, to see the cars streaming into town and a number of other fun activities. The train will then head to Hāwera, where passengers will have the option to see another attraction of cars including the acceleration display, before heading back to New Plymouth to enjoy the Friday night cruising of the C.B.D, something well worth seeing!

On Saturday, the train will run from New Plymouth Puke Ariki Landing out to Lepperton and return. This will be extremely popular with locals also having the opportunity to take a train ride. Another unique feature for Supercheap Auto Americarna 2025!

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### Base Package Pricing Inclusions:Exclusive Train travel between Kapiti & New Plymouth

• 3 nights in 4 star accommodation including breakfast - Get in quick to avoid missing out, limited numbers!

YOUR ULTIMATE AMERICARNA EXPERIENCE PACKAGE...

- Friday train travel, following the train service down to Hawera with the Car Convoy
- Shuttle/Bus transfers for Thursday, Friday & Sunday

#### **Optional Extras:**

- Day 1 Lunch onboard the train from Marton \$30pp
- Day 1 Dinner at Inglewood \$30pp
- Day 2 Dinner with the Tour Group \$50pp
- Day 3 Optional Lepperton Short Train Ride \$30pp
- Day 3 Dinner with the Tour Group \$50pp
- Day 4 Lunch onboard the train from Whanganui \$20pp

#### **Base Package Pricing Exclusions:**

- Lunch & Dinner options, available throughout the itinerary, available when booking
- Airfares, connecting travel or other expenses prior to joining or after leaving the tour train.
- All meals and refreshments other than those detailed in inclusions above.
- All personal expenditures, refreshments, taxis, other travel and transfers, accommodation or related charges not specifically referred to in the itineraries as being included.
- Travel Insurance, which is recommended for all passengers.

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