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Amtrak *Winter Park Express* 2018 Tickets Now Available

Three Friday round-trips added to expanded weekend service between Denver and Winter Park; Lower fares on some departures

WINTER PARK, Colo. – Coming off a highly successful inaugural season, tickets for the Amtrak *Winter Park Express* passenger train service from Denver Union Station to the slopes of Winter Park Resort are on sale now at Amtrak.com/WinterParkExpress. The 2018 season will also feature some additions to the service, including three “First Friday” round-trips, a reduced fare of \$29 each way on some departures.

The 2018 Amtrak *Winter Park Express* schedule begins on Friday, Jan. 5, and the train will run each Saturday and Sunday through March 25. The service will also include round-trips on two more “First Fridays,” Feb. 2 and March 2, to satisfy requests from the Denver business community for more opportunities for corporate groups. Customers can choose up to 27 round-trips, an increase from 2017, with 500+ riders on each train enjoying a comfortable and scenic ride on an historic route through the Moffat Tunnel, avoiding aggravating stop-and-go ski traffic on I-70 and U.S. 40.

Also added in the coming season is a reduced ticket price, enabling guests to experience the fun and convenience multiple times a season. Adult tickets now start as low \$29 each way on select departures and are on sale now. Children ages 2-12 can still ride for half-fare with each ticketed adult. Amtrak and Winter Park Resort have also made it easier than ever before to book group travel by calling 800-USA-1GRP and having an entire train/ski package – including lodging – crafted by resort representatives and Amtrak.



The Amtrak *Winter Park Express* trains will again depart [Denver Union Station](#) at 7:00 a.m. and arrive at the resort at approximately 9:00 a.m., leaving Winter Park at 4:30 p.m. to return to Denver at 6:40 p.m. All times Mountain. The station is served by the Denver's [Regional Transportation District's](#) commuter trains to Denver International Airport, light rail, local or intercity buses and Lyft, the new national partner of Amtrak, which is offering [a discount for new users' first four rides](#) and rideshare requests directly from Amtrak mobile apps.

The expanded *Winter Park Express* service is one of several improvements at Winter Park Resort for the 2017-18 season designed to increase convenience for guests, including a new retail location and major renovation of the resort's primary rental shop totaling more than \$1 million, various snowmaking and grooming improvements, and a new trail enabling easier access to the Mary Jane side of the resort from Winter Park. The full suite of 2017-18 Winter Park passes are on sale now for the lowest prices of the season, but prices will be going up soon. Passes are also available at Christy Sports Powder Daze beginning this weekend. Questions about the resort and its many features can be answered directly by Winter Park Resort by calling 888-923-7275.

The seasonal Amtrak *Winter Park Express* continues to share this route with the daily Amtrak [California Zephyr](#) service, which stops in nearby Fraser, Colo., and operates during this period over its full schedule between Chicago and the San Francisco Bay, via Denver.

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About Winter Park Resort

Located just 67 miles from Denver, Colorado's longest continually-operated ski area

features over 3,000 acres of award-winning terrain spread out over seven territories that include miles of cruising groomers, terrain parks, bumps, steeps, trees, and most definitely deeps. Winter Park is also the proud home to the renowned National Sports Center for the Disabled (NSCD). For more information, please visit WinterParkResort.com. For information on *Winter Park Express* sponsorship opportunities, contact Ryan Blanchard, Intrawest Director of Sales & Business at 303-749-8299, RBlanchard@intrawest.com.

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