

All aboard the Orient Express for the trip of a lifetime

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Gig climbs aboard the legendary Orient Express.

Photo by T. Gwin

At last the time arrived for Gig and Terrie to board this historic train, which chugged into the station like a ghost of elegant times past, its art deco exterior and interior restored in magnificent detail.

Leaving the station in Venice the train traveled through the Dolomites mountain range and past lush Italian vineyards into the Alps across the awe-inspiring Brenner Pass, providing a moving canvass of breathtaking scenery for its passengers. Along the way tea time was celebrated with tea and pastries for everyone. Finally the train paused for a stop in Innsbruck so passengers could disembark to stretch their legs as snow began falling on this famous ski resort, site of previous Olympic Games.

Back on board, it was time to dress for cocktails and dinner, and the [Orient Express](#) admonishes guests, "You are never overdressed on the Orient Express." Elegantly gowned ladies and gentlemen in tuxedos gathered in the club car and piano bar, where they enjoyed a cocktail for 15 Euros and a rich choice of canapés for 15 to 390 Euros for Beluga caviar.—This

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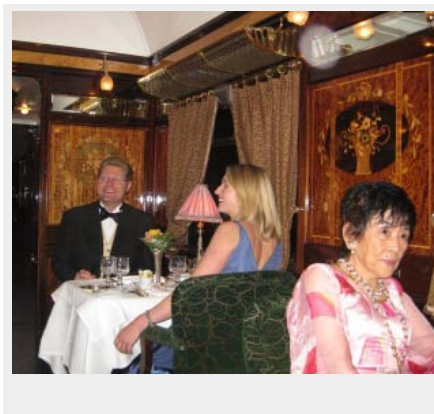
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When they arrived at Victoria Station in London, Gig and

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After a fabulously decadent dinner, followed by after-dinner drinks and conversation with some of their fascinating fellow passengers, Gig and Terrie adjourned to their compartment and their night on the train. This is when modern conveniences can be missed. Some compartments have upper and lower beds (Remember the Pullman cars?) Some have two lower berths, but most don't have private baths...the toilet is down the hall.



Dinner aboard the Orient Express is an elegant occasion. Photo by G. Gwin



Terrie and Gig enjoy the elegant meal.

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