

Aboard the Orient Express—day two in the trip of a lifetime

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Aboard the elegantly appointed Orient Express.

Photo by G. Gwin



When they awoke in their compartment on the second day aboard the Orient Express, Gig and Terrie Gwin were served breakfast by their cabin steward, who remade their berths into seating for the train's trip on to Paris.

There was just enough time when the train stopped in Paris, to bring on fresh lobsters from [Normandy](#). These were part of a sumptuous lunch, also including Steak Diane and Beluga caviar, served after the train pulled into the French countryside outside Paris, heading for the coast and Calais.

In the French port city of Calais, passengers were transferred from the train to a luxuriously-appointed

motor coach, which was then driven onto the [Chunnel train](#). This took them under the English Channel. On the other side of the channel they transferred to a beautifully restored English Pullman Train painted in traditional umber and cream, and traveled on to Victoria Station, London. Here is where the Orient Express trip ended, but there was still one more chapter in this memorable adventure.

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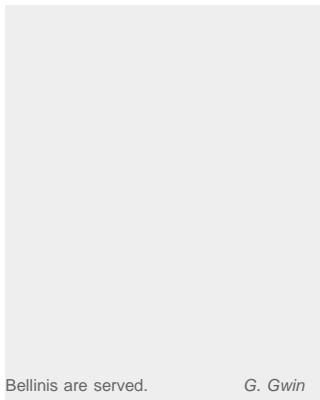
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Bellinis are served.

G. Gwin



Terrie hailed one of the famous London cabs, known for its never-changing classic look. ...

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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 ...

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