



Grapevine Vintage Railroad



Grapevine Vintage Railroad Charter Information



History:

In 1888 Grape Vine, (as it was known at the time) opens the train depot and welcomes the St. Louis Southwestern Railroad (aka the Cotton Belt Route). The Grapevine Cotton Belt Depot continued to welcome travelers to Grapevine until the 1930s, and the depot was officially closed in 1972. In 1973, under threat it would be torn down, the Grapevine city council arranged to have the depot moved to the corner of Wall St. and Ball St. In 1992 the Grapevine Heritage Foundation moved the depot back to its present location.

Built in 1896 at the Cooke Locomotive Works in Paterson, New Jersey, Engine 2248 was originally purchased by the Southern Pacific Railroad and used in California for passenger and freight service. Now known as Puffy, she was later converted into a fire train and then used as a ceremonial engine before ending up in a private collection where Walt Disney was eyeing her for a railroad project that never came to be.

She helped launch the Texas State Railroad Excursion in 1976 and eventually the Fort Worth & Western Railroad's local Tarantula run. She made her first trek to Grapevine in 1993 and is now a permanent resident.

Helping Puffy shoulder the Grapevine Vintage Railroad's passenger load is Diesel 2199, a GP-7 (meaning general purpose) built in 1953 and originally operated by the Santa Fe Railroad and now referred to as Vinny.

The engines pull the Grapevine Vintage Railroad's luxurious Victorian coaches-four 1925-day coaches and two 1927 open-air touring coaches. All four-day coaches have been restored to their full Victorian-era glory and the two open-air coaches are extremely popular in the spring and fall months.

When it comes to unique venues, nothing provides living history, flexible space and the Grapevine Vintage Railroad.

Catering

The Grapevine Vintage Railroad's preferred caterer is Chill Sports Bar & Grill, www.chillgrapevine.com. However,

Grapevine has many restaurants that cater.

Your own caterer is more than welcome to be used however they must be approved by GVRR management. All caterers must have a TABC license in order for alcohol to be served.

*Entertainment Options

- Train robberies: Starting at \$575 (stationary only)
- Comedy gun fight show: \$375 (stationary only)
- Saloon Girls: \$225 each
- Old West Musicians (1): \$350
- Old West Musicians (3): \$675
- Murder Mystery Train: Starting at \$1,475 (stationary only)

The Murder Mystery train, which is put on by The Texas Star Dinner Theater, is a three act, interactive comedy play that takes place on board the Grapevine Vintage Railroad. This event generally last 2 hours.



*Entertainment transportation fees not included

Locomotive and Coach Information

Diesel Locomotive “Vinny”



This GP-7 diesel engine, known as Vinny, was built in 1953 by General Motors Electro-Motive Division and General Motors Diesel. It is the backbone of the Grapevine Vintage Railroad.

Diesel Locomotive FL-9



Grapevine Vintage Railroad has two FL-9 locomotives. They were built in 1958 by General Motors Electro-Motive Division for The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company.

Steam Locomotive “Puffy”



Engine 2248 or “Puffy” was built in 1896 at the Cooke Locomotive Works for Southern Pacific. This engine is available for private events at an additional cost.

**If available, due to ongoing mechanical requirements*

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First Class Coaches



The Grapevine Vintage Railroad has four Victorian-style first class coaches. Two of the coaches can accommodate up to 70 passengers, one can accommodate 66 and one can accommodate 50. These coaches are climate-controlled and have Victorian upholstered seating.

Touring/Economy Class Coaches



The Grapevine Vintage Railroad has one touring class coach, that can accommodate up to 78 people and is climate-controlled with padded bench-style seats. There is one economy coach, which is open-air in the warmer months and enclosed and heated during the cooler months. It has wooden bench seats and can accommodate 80 people. Both coaches are complete with built-in bars. These coaches are also wheelchair accessible.

Charter Pricing

Moving Charter

These charters are offered outside of our regularly scheduled public excursions. Our standard charter leaves from the Cotton Belt Depot in Grapevine and heads west towards Fort Worth. These charters can last anywhere from 60 minutes to 2.5 hours. Traveling to the Stockyards is an additional charge.

Moving charters: \$3,000 (minimum rental of 2 coaches, and the diesel engine)
Each additional coach is: \$1,500 (maximum of 6 coaches)

Stationary Charter

This is a great option if your group would prefer not to be moving. The train would be stationed at the boarding platform. The platform can also be used as event space.

Stationary charter: \$800 per coach

Private Coach

Private coaches are available during the regularly scheduled weekend public excursions. The advantages of having a private coach is the ability to have food and beverage and entertainment aboard. The first-class coaches are the ones generally used, and can accommodate up to 70 passengers.

Private Coach: \$1,500 (Cotton Belt Route Excursion, Grapevine to Fort Worth Stockyards)
Private Coach: \$600 (Grapevine Bear Creek Short Line, this trip is one hour long)

Group Rates

During the regularly scheduled public excursions that operate on Saturdays and Sundays your group can either ride the train at a discounted rate or have a private coach. Our public excursions start boarding at 12:30 PM and depart from Grapevine at 12:50 PM to the Fort Worth stockyards.

Group discounts are only available on the Cotton Belt Route Excursions for 12 or more people

First class tickets: \$23 per person (group rate) – First class coaches are air-conditioned and have upholstered padded seating

Touring class tickets: \$19 per person (group rate) – Coach is climate-controlled with leather padded bench-style seats and floor-to-ceiling windows

Economy class tickets: \$15 per person (group rate) – Coach is open-air during the warmer months and enclosed and heated in winter. Wooden bench-style seats.

During the winter months all coaches are enclosed and heated

During public excursions the only fully private option is a private coach

Rental Fees for Stationary Platform Dining and Onboard Dining Experience Setup (optional)

Tables

6' banquet	\$8	Soup bowl	\$.65 or \$.45
8' banquet	\$9.20	Coffee cup	\$.50 or \$.45
48" round	\$8.75		
60" round	\$10		
Cocktail	\$8		
Train tables	\$8		

Linens

Banquet

60" X 120"	\$10		
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Round

90"	\$10		
108"	\$16		
120"	\$18.75		
Napkin	\$.60		

Chairs

Samsonite/Beige	\$1.45		
Garden Chair/White	\$3.25		

Tableware

Ivory or white

10" dinner plate	\$.65 or \$.50
7" salad plate	\$.60 or \$.45

Flatware

Dinner fork	\$.45 or \$.60
Salad fork	\$.45 or \$.60
Dinner knife	\$.45 or \$.60
Teaspoon	\$.45 or \$.60
Soup spoon	\$.45 or \$.60
Ice tea spoon	\$.45

Glasses

All purpose	\$.55
12.5 oz beverage	\$.60
Champagne flute	\$.70
Pilzner	\$.65
Water goblet	\$.55
8.5 oz wine	\$.50

Linen Colors

Beige



Black



Burgundy



Cardinal Red



Celadon



Chocolate



Dusty Rose



Eggplant



Gold



White

Grape



Hunter green



Lemon



Light blue



Light pink



Lilac



Lime green



Navy blue



Magenta



Royal blue



Ivory



Kelly green



Medium pink



Ocean blue



Orange



Peach



Periwinkle



Raspberry



Red/White checker



Onboard Dining Experience

The Grapevine Vintage Railroad has 10 tables that can be added to a first-class coach to create a unique dining experience for \$8 per table. With these tables added a coach is perfect for up to 40 people.

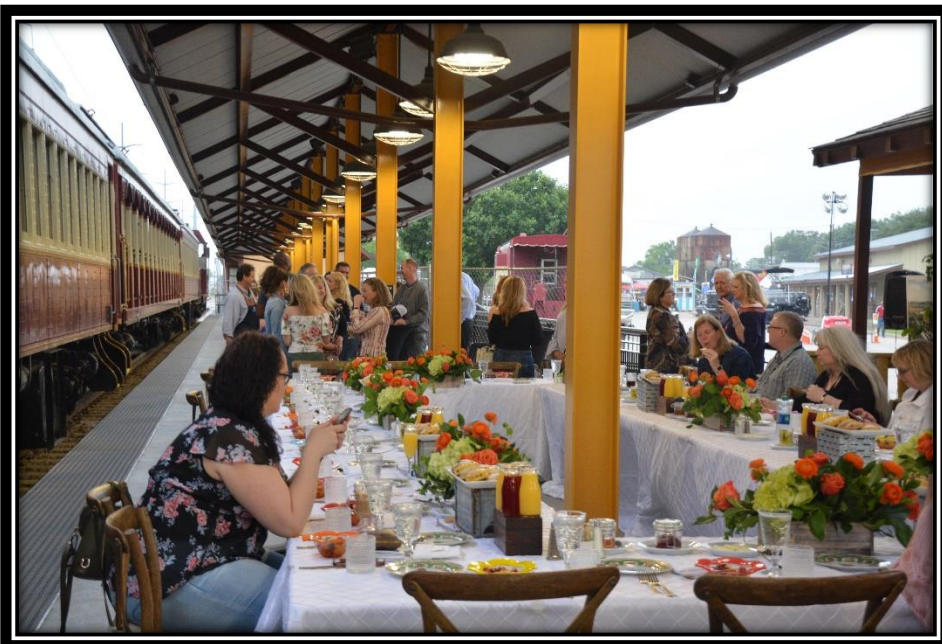


Tables settings are available for an additional fee. See page 7 for select rental pricing.

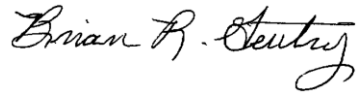
Platform Dining Experience



All décor and arrangements were done by a DMC.



The Grapevine Vintage Railroad looks forward to partnering with you. If you have any questions or would like to arrange a site tour for a client please contact me. We look forward to welcoming you all on board the Grapevine Vintage Railroad.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Brian R. Gentry". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Brian" and last name "Gentry" clearly legible.

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