

Riding the Train

Please drink responsibly

Plan ahead: take transit, call a cab, or designate a driver

The Yard Social Club strongly recommends using transit to get to and from your train crawl. Do not drink and drive.

When you get to your first station, check and see if a station agent is on duty. If so, head into the station to purchase your tickets. If there is no station agent on duty, a conductor onboard the train will sell you one-way tickets or Weekend Passes if you're paying with cash. If you'd like to pay with a credit card, download the Ventra smartphone app and use the app to purchase your ticket. (Remember to keep your phone charged throughout the day – conductors will visually verify your ticket onboard later trains.) The Ventra app also gives live, real-time updates on train schedules throughout the day, which makes it a very useful application to refer to throughout the day.

On most weekends, Metra allows passengers over 21 to bring alcohol onboard the train. Please remember to clean up after yourselves – each train car has trash cans available. On some weekends, alcohol is prohibited due to large crowds. Check metrarail.com before your event to see if alcohol is not allowed on your travel day. Remember to keep an eye on the clock, and enjoy your day exploring Chicago and the suburbs!

Connecting Transit Service

Metra Transfers are included in Metra's \$10 Weekend Pass

Transfers between Metra and CTA or Pace require an additional fare

Ogilvie Transportation Center

Direct	Nearby	Metra Transfers are included in Metra's \$10 Weekend Pass
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Union Pacific North Union Pacific Northwest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Milwaukee North Milwaukee West BNSF Railway SouthWest Service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CTA L' Trains
<p>CTA Buses</p> <p>201 50 60 124 151</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> #90-Harlem #307 #318 #90-Harlem CTA Green Line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oak Park River Forest Maywood Melrose Park Bellwood Berkeley Elmhurst Villa Park Lombard Glen Ellyn College Avenue Wheaton Winfield West Chicago Geneva La Fox Elburn

SERVICE HOURS AND LINKS

	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
#90-Harlem	5:00a-10:00p	6:30a-9:00p
Pace #303	6:00a-10:00p	10:15a-9:30p
Pace #307	6:00a-11:15p	6:30a-10:30p
Pace #309	8:00a-9:15p	9:00a-6:15p
Pace #318	5:15a-12:45a	6:45a-11:30p
Pace #331	7:30a-6:30p	No Service
Pace #801	8:45a-4:45p	No Service
Pace #802	8:45a-8:00p	No Service

Planning a Train Crawl

A train crawl is a great way to get out and explore the suburbs in a fun, relaxed setting. A little foresight and planning will go a long way to ensuring you and your group have a great day riding the rails. This travel guide is specially designed to help you schedule your crawl so you can get the most out of your event.

First and foremost, plan a "home base" station to start and end from. This way you and your guests can more easily plan ahead to determine the logistics of how to get home at the end of the night.

Next, determine what kinds of places you'd like to stop at and how long you'd like to spend at each location. The Yard Social Club recommends low-key, more casual establishments where guests will feel comfortable walking around and mingling. We recommend scheduling around the "sweet spot" of 60-90 minutes per location, but obviously the train schedule will require some flexibility. Don't forget to include time to get back to the station before the next train comes, including additional time to cross the tracks if needed. On the Union Pacific West, inbound trains usually run on the north track and outbound trains usually run on the south track. Build some flexibility in your schedule in case unforeseen delays occur, either due to your group, or slight delays on Metra's end.

Weekend Fare Information

Metra operates on a fare zone structure, with distance-based fares. Metra also offers a \$10 Weekend Pass, which is good on all Metra trips on Saturday and Sunday of the same weekend, regardless of fare zone or line traveled.

Zones on the Union Pacific West line range from Zone A to I. There are no Union Pacific West stations in Zone G; fares are based on travel through this zone for trips to/from Geneva, Elburn, or La Fox.

For monthly ticket holders, Metra offers incremental fares available from conductors onboard the train if you are traveling beyond the zones on your monthly ticket. Paying incremental fares may be cheaper than paying for a weekend pass. The table below lists the incremental costs for each trip to each zone beyond a monthly ticket's zone pair. For instance, a Zone A-C monthly ticket holder heading to Zone E could purchase a \$1.50 incremental ticket from a conductor instead of a full \$6.75 A-E one-way ticket or a \$5.50 C-E one-way ticket.

ZONES TRAVELED	ONE-WAY	ROUND TRIP	INCREMENTAL
1 Zone	\$4.00	\$8.00	+\$1.00
2 Zones	\$4.25	\$8.50	+\$1.50
3 Zones	\$5.50	\$10.00	+\$2.00
4 Zones	\$6.25	\$10.00	+\$2.50
5 Zones	\$6.75	\$10.00	+\$3.00
6 Zones	\$7.25	\$10.00	+\$3.50
7 Zones	\$7.75	\$10.00	+\$4.00
8 Zones	\$8.25	\$10.00	+\$4.50
9 Zones	\$9.00	\$10.00	+\$5.00



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INTERACTIVE TRAIN CRAWL MAP



Launch our Ultimate Train Crawl Map on your smartphone using the above QR code. Track your trip, plan your route, look up even more bars and restaurants, check out other train lines, and more!

Weekend Union Pacific West line trains may experience minor construction delays.

Metra and Union Pacific are adding a third main track in two locations on the Union Pacific West line which will improve service reliability and reduce travel time.

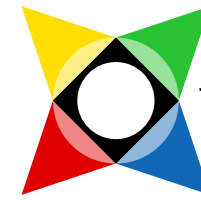
Check metrarail.com for construction updates and schedule modifications.



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Guide to Suburban Chicago

Weekend

COMMUTER RAIL SERVICE



Union Pacific West

CHICAGO (OGILVIE)
to
ELBURN
via

OAK PARK	RIVER FOREST
MAYWOOD	MELROSE PARK
BELLWOOD	BERKELEY
ELMHURST	VILLA PARK
LOMBARD	GLEN ELLYN
COLLEGE AVE.	WHEATON
WINFIELD	WEST CHICAGO
GENEVA	and LA FOX

http://www.yard-social.com

Schedules are accurate as of February 2019 but are subject to change. For complete fare information and up-to-date schedules, visit metrarail.com or use the Ventra app. The Yard Social Club is not affiliated with Metra. These are not official timetables.

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