



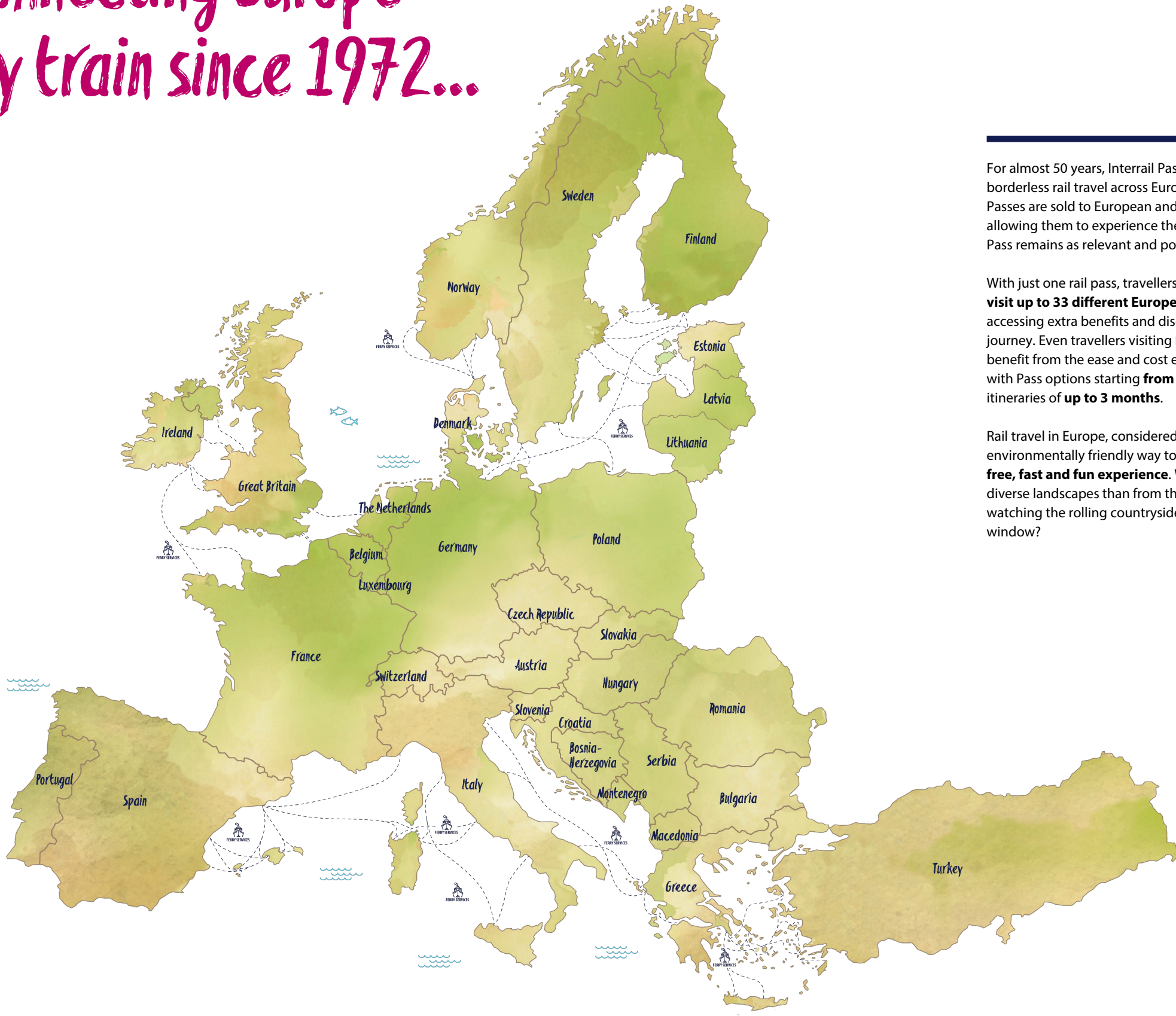
# Interrail Pass Press Kit 2020

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**INFORMATION  
FOR MEDIA**



# Connecting Europe by train since 1972...



For almost 50 years, Interrail Passes have enabled convenient, borderless rail travel across Europe. Every year, over 600,000 Passes are sold to European and non-European residents, allowing them to experience the diversity of Europe, Interrail Pass remains as relevant and popular today as it did in 1972.

With just one rail pass, travellers of all ages have the ability to **visit up to 33 different European countries**, as well as accessing extra benefits and discounts throughout their journey. Even travellers visiting Europe on short itineraries can benefit from the ease and cost effectiveness of an Interrail Pass, with Pass options starting **from 3 days** and extending to itineraries of **up to 3 months**.

Rail travel in Europe, considered to be the most environmentally friendly way to travel, is a **seamless, hassle-free, fast and fun experience**. What better way to see Europe's diverse landscapes than from the comfort of your train seat, watching the rolling countryside change as you look out the window?



**600,000+**  
TRAVELLERS PER YEAR



**250,000+**  
KM OF TRACKS  
(155,000+ MILES)



**40,000+**  
CITIES & DESTINATIONS  
TO EXPLORE



**100+**  
PASS BENEFIT PARTNERS



**35+**  
PARTICIPATING  
RAIL & FERRY COMPANIES



**33**  
INCLUDED  
EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

\*Included countries & participating rail & ferry companies



# History of the Interrail Pass

1959

## 1972 INTERRAIL PASS IS FOUNDED

Created by European Railways to enable young Europeans to discover their continent up to the age of 21 years old, connecting 21 countries with one Pass.

## 1959 EURAIL PASS IS FOUNDED

Eurail Pass enables non-European residents to discover Europe, soon Eurail Pass became a symbol of European unification and opening, following WWII.

1998

INTERRAIL PASS becomes available for all ages.

2001

EURAIL AND INTERRAIL PASS (for non-European and European residents respectively) come together under one management.

2002

30th anniversary of INTERRAIL PASS.

2013

Launch of the RAIL PLANNER APP, makes your European adventure smooth and stress-free.

2016

Celebrating 1 million downloads of the RAIL PLANNER APP, and all Passes made available for purchase 11 months in advance.

2017

INTERRAIL PASS raised the age cap of the Youth fare to 27 years old.

2019

## A WIDER AND STRONGER NETWORK

- ✓ Relaunch of the Rail Planner App
- ✓ Eurail and Interrail Pass simplify their Pass options
- ✓ Joined forces between Eurail Group (management of Eurail and Interrail Pass) and Eurail.com (official online sales channel)

2020

## One Global Brand

Following the streamlined product portfolio, Eurail and Interrail Pass enter a dual branding period with the aim, over time, to become one global brand, that reflects the community of over 600,000 travellers that explore Europe on a rail pass every year.

# Top 4 reasons to travel Europe on an Interrail Pass

## COST EFFECTIVENESS

When it comes to multi-journey itineraries and cross-border travel, you can't beat Interrail Passes for their incredible value for money. Not only can you travel on an unlimited number of trains within each 24-hour period, but children aged 11 or under travel FREE, and discounted youth and senior fares are also available.

## ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY

Everyone tries to do their bit to lower their carbon footprint, and rail is one of the most environmentally friendly ways to travel.

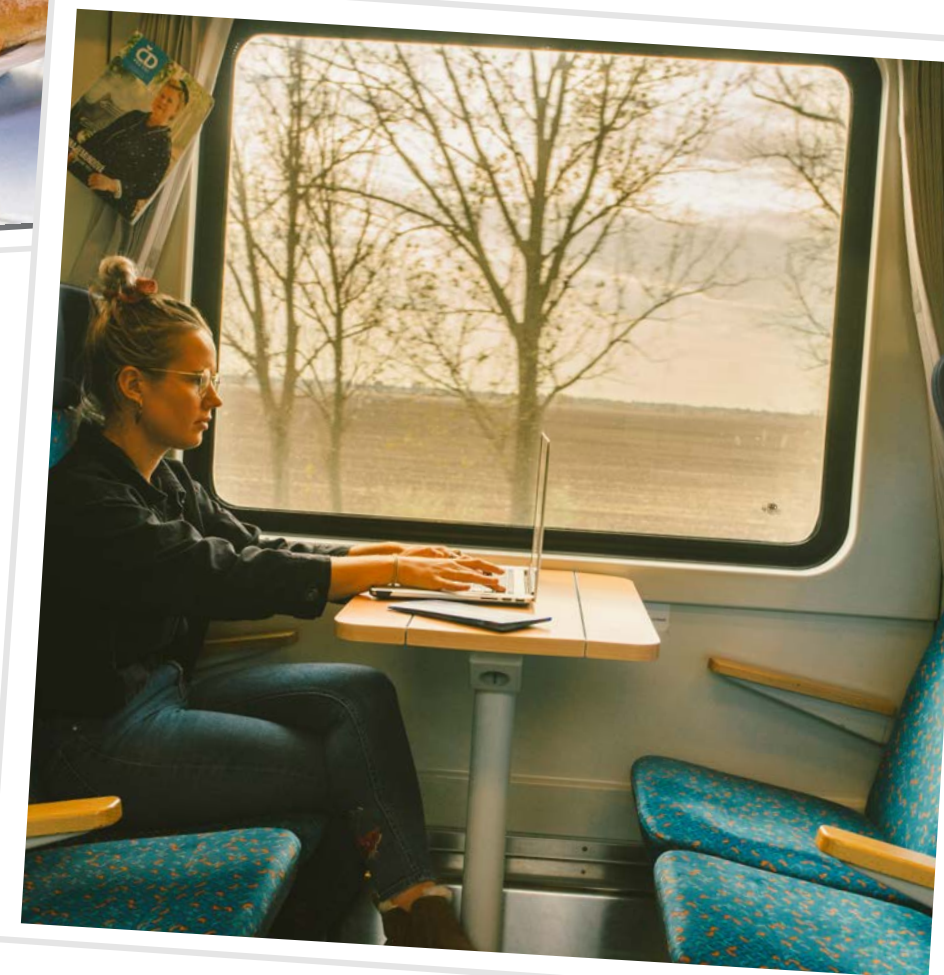


## CONVENIENCE

We've all heard horror stories of flight delays and lost luggage ruining a holiday, let alone the unexpected cost and time taken to get to/from airports in Europe. With an Interrail Pass, you will promptly arrive right into the centre of your chosen destination, with your luggage in tow.

## ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

The Interrail Pass has partnered with many different travel organizations to help turn the Pass into a travel experience. Get **10%** off all *GetYourGuide* tours and activities or **20%** off all *Sandemans* walking tours. You can find more deals here at [www.eurail.com/en/deals/travel-deals](https://www.eurail.com/en/deals/travel-deals)





# 2020 Portfolio

For almost 50 years, Interrail Pass has established itself as a provider of a unique travel experience associated with adventure, freedom, and flexibility, offering a gateway to the geographical, historical, and cultural richness of Europe. There are three different Pass types for travellers to choose from, with the Interrail Global Pass granting flexibility to access up to 33 different countries, the Interrail One Country Pass allowing unlimited travel for single-country itineraries, and the Greek Islands Pass enabling travellers to explore up to 53 different Greek Islands.



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## A BIGGER AND STRONGER NETWORK

Interrail Pass has increased its number of countries to a grand total of 33, with Estonia and Latvia are now included. Rail travel to all the Baltic countries have never been easier.

The Latvian train operator offer many domestic connections throughout the country from its main hub, Riga. On top of that, Pass holders can also travel to Stockholm or Germany from Latvia's capital city by ferry with up to 50% discount. Estonian railways operator offer several domestic connections from the capital city Tallin to many popular destinations, such as Tartu, Narva, Viljandiand, and Rakvere. In both countries, seat reservations are not required for Interrail Pass holders.

Pass holders can now travel with both Thello day and night trains, make France and Italy are closer than ever. The Thello day train connects the French Riviera cities of Nice and Marseille to Milan, while the night train runs daily from Paris to Northern Italy, with Venice as its final destination..

**Global Pass**

**For multi-country itineraries**

*Travel to and across all 33 countries*

*5 flexi Pass types OR 5 continuous travel Pass types available*

*1st or 2nd class travel options*

**One Country Pass**

**For single country itineraries**

*31 country to chooses from*

*5 flexi Pass types available*

*1st or 2nd class travel options*

**Greek Islands Pass**

**The best way to explore the Greek Islands**

*53 Greek Islands to choose from*

*2 Pass types available*

*Save 30% on additional trips*

- ✓ NEW 4 day Global Pass added for shorter itineraries
- ✓ NEW countries and network in 2020
- ✓ All-year-round discounts for Senior (60+) and Youth (27 and younger)
- ✓ Children aged 11 or under travel FREE





Sintra, Portugal © CHOI EUNYOUNG

### Interrail One Country Pass

For unlimited travel within single countries

Flexi Pass Types	Applicable Countries
<b>3 Day Pass</b> <i>select 3 rail travel days within a 1 month period</i>	Austria
	Benelux (inc. Belgium, the Netherlands & Luxembourg)
	Bulgaria
	Croatia
	Czech Republic
	Denmark
	Estonia
	Finland
	France
	North Macedonia
	Greece
	Hungary
	Ireland
	Italy
	Latvia
	Lithuania
	Norway
	Poland
	Portugal
	Romania
	Scandinavia (inc. Denmark, Norway, Sweden & Finland)
	Serbia
	Slovakia
	Slovenia
	Spain
	Sweden
	Turkey
<b>4 Day Pass</b> <i>select 4 rail travel days within a 1 month period</i>	
<b>5 Day Pass</b> <i>select 5 rail travel days within a 1 month period</i>	
<b>6 Day Pass</b> <i>select 6 rail travel days within a 1 month period</i>	
<b>8 Day Pass</b> <i>select 8 rail travel days within a 1 month period</i>	

### Interrail Global Pass

For unlimited travel on multi-country itineraries

Flexi Pass Types	Continuous Travel Pass Types
<b>4 Day Pass</b> <i>select 4 rail travel days within a 1 month period</i>	<b>15 Day Pass</b> <i>unlimited rail travel for 15 consecutive days</i>
<b>5 Day Pass</b> <i>select 5 rail travel days within a 1 month period</i>	<b>22 Day Pass</b> <i>unlimited rail travel for 22 consecutive days</i>
<b>7 Day Pass</b> <i>select 7 rail travel days within a 1 month period</i>	<b>1 Month Pass</b> <i>unlimited rail travel for 1 month</i>
<b>10 Day Pass</b> <i>select 10 rail travel days within a 2 month period</i>	<b>2 Month Pass</b> <i>unlimited rail travel for 2 months</i>
<b>15 Day Pass</b> <i>select 15 rail travel days within a 2 month period</i>	<b>3 Month Pass</b> <i>unlimited rail travel for 3 months</i>

#### Applicable Countries

**Travel to and across all 33 countries:**  
Austria, Belgium, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, North Macedonia, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Montenegro, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey

### Interrail Greek Islands Pass

The best way to explore the Greek Islands

**5 Trips Pass (Greece only)**  
*5 domestic ferry trips within Greece; use within 1 month*

- 53 Greek Islands to choose from
- Includes all fuel surcharge & port fees
- 2nd class travel only
- Senior, Youth & Child fare discounts available
- Save 30% on additional trips

**6 Trips Pass (Greece + Italy)**  
*4 domestic ferry trips within Greece, plus 2 international ferry trips between Greece and Italy; use within 1 month*

- 53 Greek Islands to choose from
- Includes all fuel surcharge & port fees
- Choose 1st class or 2nd class travel
- Senior, Youth & Child fare discounts available
- Save 30% on additional trips

Travel Categories
<b>1st Class Travel</b>
<b>2nd Class Travel</b> <i>standard class travel</i>
Fares & Discounts
<b>Adult Fare</b> <i>standard fare</i>
<b>Senior Fare</b> <i>travellers aged 60+ save 10% on the Adult Fare</i>
<b>Youth Fare</b> <i>travellers aged 12 – 27 save 25% on the Adult Fare</i>
<b>Children Travel FREE</b> <i>children aged 11 or under travel FREE (maximum 2 children per 1 Adult Fare)</i>



# Using an Interrail Pass: 4 step guide

## 1. COMPLETE CONTACT DETAILS

Before using their Interrail Pass, travellers must fill out their contact details on the cover of their Pass.

## 2. BEFORE BOARDING

Prior to boarding each train, travellers must complete a travel diary entry for their upcoming journey, including the date and time of their train trip, travel route (from/to) and means of transport.

## 3. TRAVEL CALENDAR (ONLY FOR FLEXI PASSES)

Travellers on Flexi Passes must complete a travel calendar entry to activate each rail travel day. If travelling overnight on a single train journey (past midnight), travellers only need to activate the rail travel date of their departure (e.g. a traveller that departs at 10pm on 1st January, arriving at 4am on 2nd January on the same train, will only need to activate 1st January as their rail travel day in their travel calendar.)

## 4. RETURN YOUR PASS (OPTIONAL)

At the end of your European holiday, travellers are encouraged to post their Interrail Pass cover and ticket to Interrail Pass' headquarters in Utrecht. All travellers who return their Pass by post will receive a 'thank you' gift.



Pictures taken in Coimbra Station, Portugal. Image by CHOI EUNYOUNG.



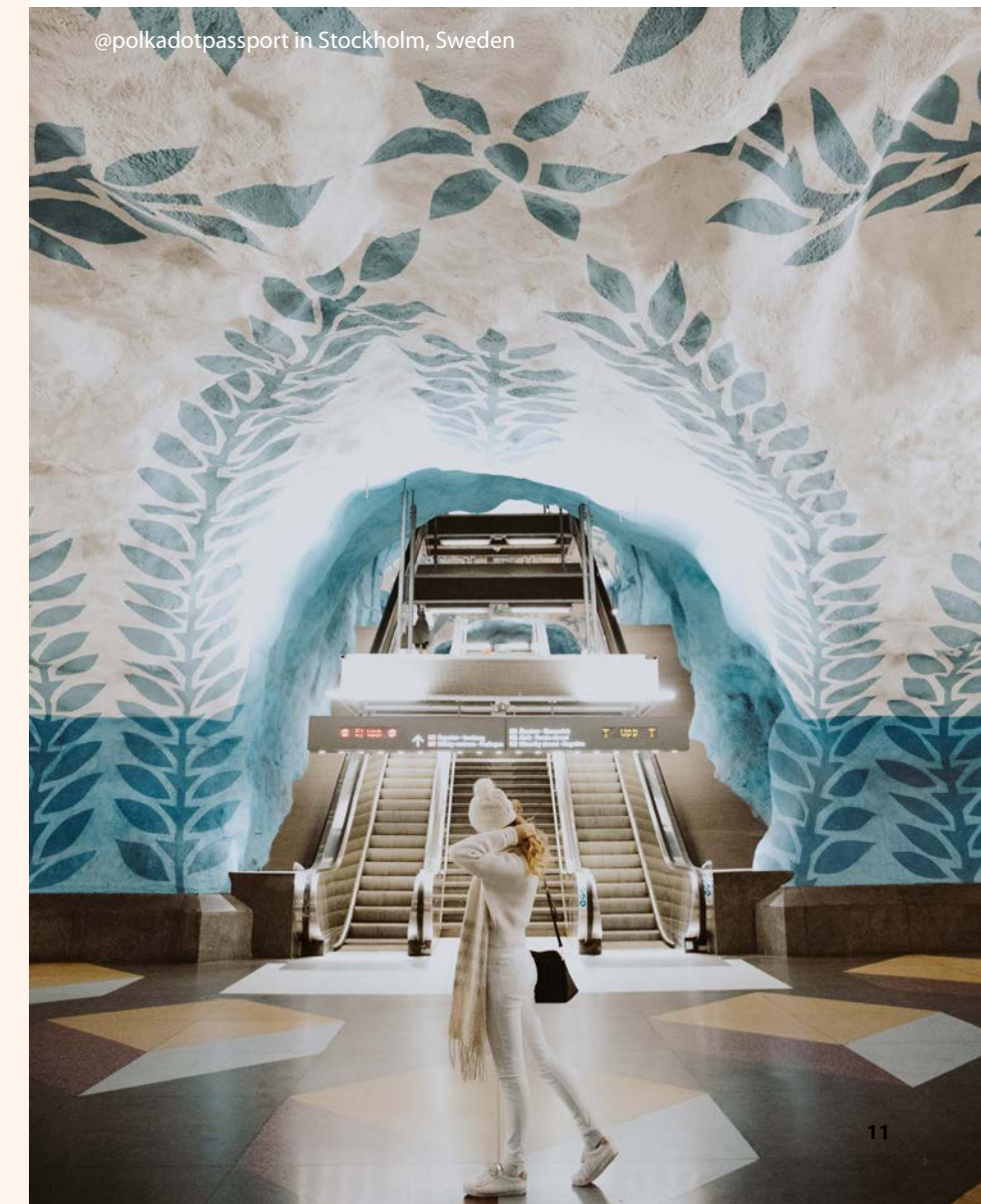
### RAIL PLANNER APP

Access train timetables, plan your journey (with our helpful itinerary planner), see all available Pass benefit partners (by country) and download useful travel information with our free app, that works offline. Furthermore, with wifi or data access, you can also make seat reservations for cross-border routes and for travel within Italy and France, and find your nearest train station.

# Pass benefit partners

All Interrail Pass holders gain access to over 100 other discounts and offers to make their travels around Europe even more affordable. These include **15% discount on City Sightseeing** entrance tickets, **10% off Europe Famous Hostels**, **10% off at Hard Rock Café**, and up to **50% off city cards and ferry travel** throughout Europe. There is also a whole host of other offers available to Interrail Pass holders, including discounted entry to some of Europe's top museums and attractions, cheaper luggage storage and even reductions on shopping at leading fashion outlets. First class Pass holders can also gain access to first class lounges at select train stations across Europe. For a full list of pass benefit partners, go to [benefitsportal.eurailgroup.org](https://benefitsportal.eurailgroup.org).

@polkadotpassport in Stockholm, Sweden



## SEAT RESERVATIONS

Travellers wishing to guarantee their seat on a specific train are encouraged to make a seat reservation. Seat reservations are an additional cost (not included in the cost of the Interrail Pass) and can vary from less than €1 to €140 per journey, with selected routes including complimentary meals and/or newspapers, and some including sleepers and/or couchettes in the price. Available up to 3 months in advance of travel, seat reservations can be arranged by travel agents or via the Rail Planner App.

## WHEN SEAT RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED

### Travel on high-speed trains

(including travel on AVE, Eurostar, Frecciarossa, ICE, TGV and Thalys services)

### Travel on some scenic trains

(including travel on the Bernina Express, Glacier Express and Golden Pass)

### Travel on some night trains

(including sleeper carriages, and travel on Nightjet, Thello and SJ services)

## WHEN SEAT RESERVATIONS ARE RECOMMENDED

### Travel in peak periods

(Easter, June / July / August, Christmas)

### Travel on popular routes between major cities





For more information about the Interrail Pass, including more detailed product information, images and suggested itineraries, visit **[mediaportal.eurailgroup.org](https://mediaportal.eurailgroup.org)** and register to gain media access.

Wanting to experience Europe with an Interrail Pass? Speak to us about our media passes.

Eurail B.V., the company behind the Interrail Pass, is owned by over 35 European railway and ferry companies, and is based in Utrecht, the Netherlands. Eurail B.V. has multiple representative offices in New York, Seoul, Beijing, Tokyo, Sydney, and Delhi.

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