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GRAPEVINE VINTAGE RAILROAD ANNOUNCES 2026 SEASON OPENER!

The new season starts February 21 & 22 in Grapevine, Texas

GRAPEVINE, TEXAS (February 2, 2026) – Grapevine Vintage Railroad is pleased to announce its return to the tracks and the **Season Opener Weekend on Saturday, February 21 and Sunday, February 22.**

Each year after Santa’s North Pole Express®, Grapevine Vintage Railroad takes a six-week pause for maintenance and enhancements. This season begins with an exciting upgrade as the sixth and final historic coach is now fully climate-controlled for extra passenger comfort. The 100-year-old coaches will be shining and ready to welcome guests, and each family will receive a complimentary commemorative keepsake to mark the Season Opener weekend. Throughout the year, the railroad will offer a variety of family-friendly excursions along with adults-only wine and craft brew trains.

Guests can enjoy a **variety of regular weekend excursions** throughout the season and tickets are on sale now:

- The **Cotton Belt Route** begins in Grapevine’s Historic Main Street District at the Cotton Belt Depot. Passengers take a trip through six different cities in Tarrant County before arriving in the Historic Stockyards. Once there, riders can explore before re-boarding the train and returning to Grapevine.
- The **Stockyards Trinity River Excursion** is a 45-minute train excursion that departs from Historic Stockyards Station in Fort Worth. The excursion crosses the West Fork of the Trinity River, passes Montgomery Plaza and travels through Trinity Park before returning to the Stockyards.
- The **Grapevine Bear Creek Short Line** excursion starts in Historic Grapevine and runs 90 minutes. This is a great opportunity for families to get a taste of American railroading history if they’re unable to attend a full-day excursion.

Grapevine Vintage Railroad also offers **Special Event Trains** throughout the year, including holiday excursions and 21+ events:

- **Sweetheart Wine Train** (21+) Saturday, February 14 (**At capacity**)
- **Kiss Me I’m Irish Express** (21+) Friday, March 13 (**Tickets on sale now**)
- **Spring Break Trains** March 14 – 15, 20 – 22, 27 – 29
- **Easter Bunny Express** Saturday, April 4 & Sunday, April 5
- **Jazz Wine Trains** (21+) Fridays, April 10, 17 and 24 (**Tickets on sale now**)
- **Mother’s Day Weekend** Saturday, May 9 & Sunday, May 10
- **Memorial Day Trains** Monday, May 25



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- **Summer: Dinos on the Tracks** June, July, August
- **Father's Day Weekend** Saturday, June 20 & Sunday, June 21
- **Disco Wine Train (21+)** Friday, July 17
- **Labor Day Trains** Monday, September 7
- **Harvest Wine Train** Thursday, September 17
- **Oktoberfest Train** Friday, October 2
- **Day Out With Thomas** Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, October 9, 10, 11 & 16, 17, 18
- **Trick 'R Treat Trains** Saturday, October 24 & Sunday, October 25
- **Witches' Brew Train (21+)** Friday, October 30 & Saturday, October 31
- **Santa's North Pole Express** Daily, November 27 – December 30
- **Christmas Wine Train** TBD

Ticket prices vary by excursion, event and coach selection. Dates and times are subject to change. For complete information on schedules, pricing and to purchase tickets, visit GVRR.com.

ABOUT GRAPEVINE, TEXAS:

Grapevine, Texas, is a charming destination located on the shores of Lake Grapevine, and home to Dallas Fort Worth International Airport. It offers a blend of history and modern amenities. Known for its vibrant hospitality, Grapevine is home to a range of world-class hotels, from luxe resorts, including Gaylord Texan, to the boutique Hotel Vin and family-friendly Great Wolf Lodge, visitors will find accommodations that suit their needs and preferences. Grapevine is home to the Urban Wine Trail, Historic Main Street, Historic Nash Farm, Grapevine Vintage Railroad and hosts many annual festivals and events including GrapeFest® - A Texas Wine Experience, Main Street Fest – A Timeless Texas Tradition and the Christmas Capital of Texas®, featuring more than 1,400 Christmas events over 40 days.

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