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"Drumhead" of the Santa Fe Super Chief

A exterior view of the Santa Fe Super Chief "Drumhead" with a tribal member of the Navajo Nation standing nearby. The logo of the "Drumhead" often adorned the ends of the observation cars on the Super Chief. The streamlined train built by the Budd company in late 1936 traveled once a week on a round trip between Chicago Illinois and Los Angeles, California. The Super Chief comprised eight cars that included: a baggage car, a dining car called the "Cochiti", a lounge car know as the "Acoma", and sleeping cars know as the "Orabi", "Taos", "Laguna", "Isleta" and the "Navajo".

Creator: Richie, Robert Yarnall Date: Between 1937 and 1957

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