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the 05 003 fascinates even today

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Dear Märklin Insiders,

This year, we again celebrate the end of summer with a special event: on September 19 and 20, model railroaders from all over the world will be visiting our main factory in Göppingen for the Open Days. We are maintaining the tradition of exclusive discussions, the exchange of ideas on brands, markets and models between Club members and the Märklin management team. In the current issue, you can find out how to take part in the Club's top meeting. We also illustrate in the form of a poster what you will be able to see on a tour round the factory at the Open Days. If all goes to plan, the second 2014 Club model 05 003 in H0 will even be actually on the production line.

Alongside the fascinating cab-forward 05 003 in H0 and Z, we give a summary in this issue of the exclusive models for the Märklin Start up Club – as members of the Märklin Insider Club can also obtain an example of the Annual Car and the Club loco. A review of the sensational Club trip to Switzerland gives us an appetite for the next trip immediately: in the Advent period, we have a Club trip to Hungary. As there is a visit to the Győr factory on the agenda as well, Club members have the chance to look behind the scenes in both Märklin factories in the same year.

It is a great pleasure for us to introduce the Märklinists from MIT Lübeck, who in conjunction with the other northern round tables have become a real asset to the Insider round tables on the North Sea and the Baltic. And by way of contrast, our trip round the Club's exclusive cooperation partners takes us to the south to big technology museums and railroad attractions. We hope you enjoy reading your Club News.

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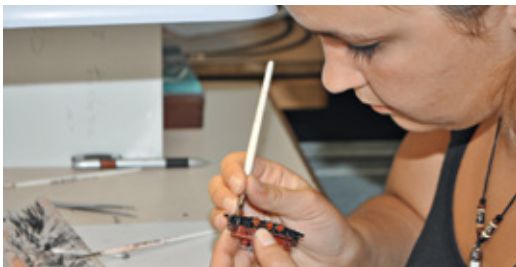
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Experience Hungary: model production, railroad history and world culture – that's all waiting for those joining the Club trip from November 28 to December 5, 2014. We will be visiting the big new Märklin factory in Győr, but naturally Budapest (above) and steam specials are part of the program.

EXCLUSIVE ADVENT TRIP WITH THE CLUB TO HUNGARY – INCLUDING A VISIT TO THE FACTORY IN GYŐR

Next stop: Hungary

In cooperation with Bahnreisen Sutter, the Club is organizing a most entertaining sightseeing trip to Hungary from November 28 to December 5. Our first overnight stay is in a four-star hotel in Budapest, starting with a convivial evening meal. On day two, we will be exploring Budapest, including a panorama trip with a preserved tram, the Schwabenberg railroad and a steam special train through the Budapest woods. On day three, we visit Visegrád with its castle, and there is a jousting display and lunch, followed by a trip on the Királyrét narrow-gauge railroad and evening meal in Budapest. On day four, a special trip is scheduled on the Mátra forestry railroad and a visit to the world cultural site of Hortobágy-Puszta. After the evening meal and overnight stay in Debrecen, the Zsuzsi narrow-gauge railroad steams to Hármashegyfalja on day five, and after a snack lunch we return via Debrecen to Budapest for our evening meal. Day six sees the Club members visiting the famous Museum of Transport and Technology, which has gained its reputation partly from historic locos and rail engineering. After visiting the Budapest Christmas market, we take a panoramic cruise and evening meal on board. Day seven takes us to the Märklin factory in Győr, where Trix and LGB models are also made in conjunction with the main factory. The Club members will be some of the first visitors to see the new production facilities and the high-tech machinery. Following our evening meal in a Czardas restaurant, the eighth day sees us on to the train to head for home.

**November 28 to
December 5, 2014**

Price includes

- Second class travel from your DB station to Budapest and return
- Seat reservations in long-distance trains
- 5 x nights with breakfast in a **** hotel in Budapest
- 1 x night with breakfast in a **** hotel in Debrecen
- 1 x night with breakfast in a **** hotel in Dunakiliti
- Highlights of the trip:
 - Day 2: Sightseeing in Budapest
 - Day 3: Excursion to the Danube Bend
 - Day 4: Excursion forestry railroads and puszta
 - Day 5: Narrow-gauge railroad Susi/Debrecen
 - Day 6: Museum of Technology / Danube cruise
 - Day 7: Märklin factory, in Győr
- Special train trips on narrow-gauge railroads
- Numerous meals, entrance fees, rail tickets
- Bus accompanying the complete tour
- German-speaking Hungarian tour guide
- Escorted throughout by Bahnreisen Sutter (planned: Gregor Sutter)
- Exhaustive information material

Price per person:

Double room 1,590 euro / single 1,700 euro. Supplement for 1st class rail out and return 120 euro. On quoting their membership number, Club members receive a 5 % discount on the cost of the trip. When registering, please submit either a scan or a copy by letter of your membership card – not a fax. The reduction only applies to the member personally.

Number of participants:

Minimum 20, maximum 40

(if the minimum number is not reached by one month before departure date, the trip will be cancelled, in accordance with our general terms and conditions)



Detailed information on your booking:
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Model railroad exhibitions with Märklin

Three exhibitions this fall will have Märklin models and exhibition layouts to enthrall you: in Leipzig, Leuven (Belgium) and Bern (see article on the right). At the modell-hobby-spiel fall exhibition in Leipzig, model railroaders and model and layout builders will again meet up from October 3 to 5, 2014 with 640 exhibitors from 10 countries. At the Märklin, Trix and LGB stand will be an imposing array of exhibition layouts awaiting visitors and a wide range of the latest models. And since lots of families visit modell-hobby-spiel on family outings, the battery sector Märklin my world for children three years and over as well as the beginner's model railroad world Märklin Start up all part of the program. The exhibition is open each day from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. Information on the exhibition program and how to get there can be found online (www.modell-hobby-spiel.de). Märklin is also represented at the Belgian model railroad exhibition Grote Modelspoor Expo 2014 on October 18 and 19 in the modern Brabant Exhibition Center, near Leuven. Organized by Train Miniature Magazine, the exhibition has layouts and a wide range of exhibitors, and is taking place for the seventh time (www.modelspoorexpo.be). 



Märklin, Trix and LGB models will be on display at modell-hobby-spiel.

New Club service: order history


A new service to be offered by the Club will give Club members a practical summary of their order history online in the protected Club area. In tabular form, the Club member will receive a list in chronological order of all the exclusive items offered by the Club and which he has ordered through it, also showing what models he can still order. Also shown will be the details of the MHI retailer from whom the respective products were ordered. The service will be going online in the Club area from August under club.maerklin.de 



Modell	Art-Nr.	Spur	Bestellt	Händler
Insider-Jahreswagen 2014 (H0)	48164	H0	xx.xx.2014	Max Mustermann 0000 Maxvorstadt
Güterzug-Elok BR E93 (H0)	37870	H0	xx.xx.2014	Max Mustermann 0000 Maxvorstadt
Güterwagen-Set 1 (H0)	46199	H0	xx.xx.2014	Max Mustermann 0000 Maxvorstadt
Güterwagen-Set 2 (H0)	47321	H0	xx.xx.2014	Max Mustermann 0000 Maxvorstadt
Schwere Güterzug-Dampflokom BR 45 (H0)	37455	H0	xx.xx.2013	Max Mustermann 0000 Maxvorstadt
Güterwagen-Set (H0)	46081	H0	xx.xx.2013	Max Mustermann 0000 Maxvorstadt
Märklin-Katalog 2013/2014 D	18530		xx.xx.2013	Max Mustermann

At a glance: online table in the Club area shows each Club member all the orders he has placed or can still place for exclusive Club models, plus catalogue. (Demonstration without obligation)


Virtual engineer's cab for old-style electric locos

Märklin's world of play enhances running enjoyment with virtual engineer's cabs which turn the model railroader into an engineer at the Central Station. Now the spectrum is being spectacularly extended: from August there will be a virtual engineer's cab for an old-style electric loco available for the Central Station from online update 3.7, to be found on the homepage www.maerklin.de under the heading Produkte/Modellbahnsteuerung (Products / controls). That will perfect the enjoyment such as with the Club model E93 07. 




Virtual engineer's cab for old-style electric locos.

Play paradise in Bern

Suisse Toy number 15 from October 1 to 5, 2014 again transforms the Bern Messeplatz into a play paradise for the entire family – and naturally Märklin will be part of the biggest toy event in Switzerland. Apart from the 2014 product highlights for the model railroad specialists the product lines Märklin my world for kids and Märklin Start up for beginners will be under the spotlight. Times of opening: daily 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. Information under www.suissetoy.ch 

New service hotline is a hit

The altered arrangement for the service telephone number has been very well received by Märklinists. Since July 1st, the Märklin service hotline has been available internationally under the number +49 (0) 71 61/60 82 22, Mondays to Fridays from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. The Service department handles all questions about Märklin, giving advice about use and versions of products, helps with the search for spare parts and answers queries concerning models which have been sent in for repair. 

Home straight for 05 003

One of the most spectacular locos in railroad history, production of 05 003 is just about to get under way. Club members had better hurry to get their order in.

Fine ensemble:
the streamline
steam loco 05 003
with the exclusive
express train pas-
senger cars for the
Club members.

**05 003:
highlight
at the Open
Days**





On 22 July 1937, the public got to see something extravagant from the Borsig locomotive factory: 05 003. With engineer's cab forward and the smoke stack at the other end of the boiler, the streamliner looks fundamentally different from her class sisters 05 001 and 05 002. A further special feature is the pulverized coal firing, as explained by Dr. Andreas Röntzsch, Märklin documentarist: "The mixture of pulverized coal and air is blown from the tender into the firebox through two 15-meter (49 feet) pipes".

The German State Railroad announced them as 'The world's fastest steam locomotive', and that's exactly what they turned out to be; on May 11, 1936, her sister loco 05 002 captured the 'Blue Riband' of the rails with a speed of 200.4 km/h (124-1/2 mph). "The locomotive designers tried once again with steam traction to catch up with the express rail cars", explains railroad historian Dr. Röntzsch. It had already been agreed by contract in 1934 that

05 003 would be developed as a streamlined loco, but with the engineer's cab at the front. "Typically for a railroad company, they tried to get the maximum out of a single machine".

The 05 003 anticipates the later design of express locos

"As a cab-forward loco, the design of 05 003 took safety into account", says Märklin H0 Product Manager Karl-Heinz Grässle, explaining the location of the smokebox against the tender. "At maximum speed, the danger was that an engineer 20 meters (65 feet) behind the smokebox door would not be able to react fast enough to what was happening ahead". In the steam loco world, the "face" of the locomotive was also unique: "The aerodynamically-shaped engineer's cab anticipates the design of later express locomotives". Even though 05 003 was converted to conventional form after less than ten years, she still represented a pioneering move in the view of contemporaries. The Southern Pacific Railroad for instance had a large number of cab-forward locomotives in service. →

**Closing date for orders:
August 31, 2014**

It's this easy to obtain your Club models

The H0 class 05 express train tender loco (item 39053) and the matching set of passenger cars (item 43256) and 05 003 in Z (item 88507) will be produced as a once-only series in 2014 exclusively for Club members. Every Insider member can order one example of the exclusive models by handing in the order form to his Märklin MHI retailer. The order form was included with the 03/2014 mailing. If it has been mislaid, or if you only just joined the Club, you are welcome to ask our Club team to send you a copy – or simply present your Club card to your specialist retailer: the MHI retailer can place your order online via the ordering portal, so the order form is in fact no longer essential. This way you can order products at a later date, even if you have already handed in the order form or it has been mislaid. We expressly state that the order forms are not transferable.

Closing date for orders is August 31, 2014. Deliveries are scheduled from the 4th quarter of 2014. At the end of 2014, it is planned to send out personalized Certificates of Authenticity directly to those who have ordered loco 05 003 in H0 and Z.

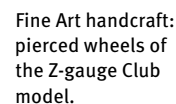
Up-to-date and detailed product information on the Club models will be found under www.maerklin.de



Comprehensive: details on the type 2'3 T35 Kst. tender of 05 003.




Aesthetic: innumerable rivets adorn the streamline casing.





For the joy of play

Märklin is producing two exclusive special models for the Start up Club, and Insiders can join in too.

The white background color is the common factor in the exclusive 2014 models for the Märklin Start up Club, and they can also be purchased by Insiders. The Start up Club loco (item 36503) with digital decoder has as its prototype the Henschel DHG 500 switcher loco and appears in a cheerful Start up color scheme. “You can play outstandingly well with a switcher loco”, says Product Manager Nadine Sindlinger, explaining the selection of the Club model, of which only the color scheme is imaginary: “Henschel in Kassel conceived the Henschel DHG 500 for heavy duty on industrial railroads and branch lines; the abbreviation DHG stands for diesel-hydraulic locomotive with cardan-shaft transmission, and the figure for its horse power”. The Start up Club Annual Car (48614) is just as attractive, and it can be bought by Märklin Insiders as well. The service car of the likeable Start up Club hero is printed with amusing Tim Tender motifs. “We have used as the basis for Tim Tender’s service car a staff car which was often in a freight train consist in years gone by”, reports Nadine Sindlinger. As a very special feature this time, the Product Manager has even included a conductor’s whistle with the Start up Club Annual Car. 

Text: rr, photos: Märklin

36503 Diesel locomotive “Start up”



Prototype: Henschel type DHG 500 diesel switcher locomotive.

Model: Locomotive in a special color scheme. With digital decoder and special motor. One driven axle, traction tires. The triple headlights change ends with direction of travel, will operate conventionally and can be controlled digitally. Coupler hooks. Length over buffers 11.2 cm (4-3/8”).

Model highlights:

- Triple headlights change over with the direction of travel
- Loco in Start up design
- Details included such as railings and steps to the engineer’s cab
- Once-only series for members of the Märklin Start up Club and the Märklin Insider Club

48614 Märklin Start up Club Annual Car 2014



Model: Tim Tender’s service car. Car in special color scheme showing motifs from the world of the Märklin Start up Club. To round off, a conductor’s whistle is included with the car. Relex couplers. Length over buffers 11.0 cm (4-5/16”). DC wheelsets 2 x 700600

- Conductor’s whistle included
- A one-off series: Annual Car for Märklin Start up Club and Märklin Insider Club

Closing date for orders: September 30, 2014

Notes on ordering

The Start up Club locomotive 2014 (item 36503) and the Start up Club Annual Car (48614) will be produced in 2014 as a once-only series for members of the Märklin Start up Club and the Märklin Insider Club. Each Club member can order one example of each model from his Märklin-MHI retailer with the order form enclosed. Order forms are not transferable. Closing date for orders is September 30, 2014. Deliveries are scheduled to start in quarter 4, 2014.

Promotional models

June/July 2014

As part of our promotion service, we offer various cars which can be produced with special printing. Here are the models produced most recently.

4415.584 „Koblenzer“

H0

Schreib- und Spielwaren Hermann e. K., Inh. Franziskus Weinert, Liebfrauenstrasse 29b-31, 55430 Oberwesel, Germany, tel. +49 (0) 67 44/9 43 90, kontakt@hermann-oberwesel.de, www.hermann-oberwesel.de



4890.132 „Dansk Gaer Central“

H0

Hobbykaeden (HK-modeller), att. Ken Rosa, Vestergade 2, DK-9400 Noerresundby, Denmark, tel. +45 (0) 98 17 65 55, info@hobbykaeden.dk, www.hobbykaeden.dk



94433 „Feldschlösschen“

H0

Obtainable from retailers in Switzerland.



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98119 „Elbphilharmonie“

Z

Miniatur Wunderland Hamburg GmbH, Kehrvieler 2, Block D, 20457 Hamburg, Germany, tel. +49 (0) 40/30 06 80-0, info@miniatur-wunderland.de, www.miniatur-wunderland.de



Please note that promotional models are only manufactured for Märklin retailers or for commercial or industrial companies (the latter are marked with an *). Models marked with an * are not generally offered for sale and therefore, no addresses are given. Only models already delivered to the respective customer may be publicized, and only when the customer has given explicit permission for this.



**Open Days
September
19 and 20,
2014**

Open Days – an exclusive for Club Members



Top event for Club members: at the Open Days, Club members and Märklin management get together for an exchange of views and ideas.

“Get-together” with the management team



Expert discussions between Märklin management and Club members.

The Open Days on September 19 and 20, 2014 at Märklin in Göppingen is the highlight of the model railroader's year for many Club members from all over the world – there are guaranteed to be thousands of people there who share the same passion for the model railroad. For the Club members, the Open Days start with a warm welcome by the Club team in the inner courtyard of the main factory in Stuttgarter Strasse, and a little present is waiting for those who present their Club card. The next attraction is a tour of the main factory, where it is planned that the current Club model of steam loco 05 003 in H0 will be on the production line (see article on pages 12/13). Another highlight will certainly be the technology forum with useful information on models, functions and

digital technology. Many special events and demonstration layouts will be operating and there will be fun and games at this family-friendly “holiday”.

Whoever has the luck of the draw can look forward to a very special exclusive date: the Club is holding three “get-togethers” with the Märklin management team. The number of participants in the discussions with the premium customer has to be restricted to a total of 45, and to give every Club member an equal chance of being there, a draw will be made which will decide who will take part in the expert discussions on Märklin, models and model railroad trends. Read in the article on the right how to register your interest. //

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Don't on any account miss it:

- A present as a welcome token from the Club team at the Club stand
- Get-together: apply for one of the three meetings with Märklin management online or by letter
- Factory visit and layout display
- Technology forum with specialist information



Do not forget your identity card: on presenting the Club card you will receive a welcome present at the Club stand – wait and see what it is!



The latest info on the Open Days 2014 will also be found on the Internet under www.maerklin.de

For 45 Club members altogether, there will be a very special gathering: they will be taking part in one of the three exclusive get-togethers with the management team, the product managers and specialist heads of departments at Märklin. To give all Club members a fair chance of being there, a draw will decide the lucky participants.

Dates for the Club meetings in factory 1 are:

- **Fri., Sept. 19, 2014 at 9:30 am;**
- **Sat., Sept. 20, 2014 at 9:30 am;**
- **Sat., Sept. 20, 2014 at 2:00 pm.**
- **Duration: 60 to 90 minutes each.**

Club members can notify their interest in taking part online in the Club area under club.maerklin.de (heading competition), or by postcard to (Gebr. Märklin & Cie. GmbH, Märklin Insider Club, Postfach 960, 73009 Göppingen, Germany; codeword “Get-together”).

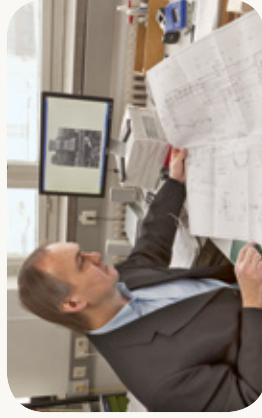
Closing date for applications is August 31st, 2014.

If sending a written application, please give your name and quote your Club membership number, and the date and time you would like to take part.

The winners of the draw will be sent a confirmation by post or e-mail and again all information about the get-together.

Technology in detail

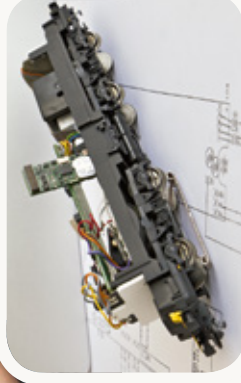
Märklin models are an impressive blend of class and quality – the result of optimum work processes which combine the very latest production-line technology with the best craftsmanship.



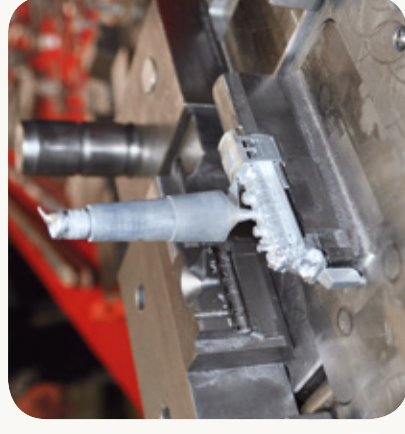
1 Product idea: On the basis of a model idea suggested by Product management for a loco or a vehicle, Documentation (pictured) researches the class or type in question. In the second stage, the documentarists provide drawings, photos and specialist literature giving clear details of the models under consideration. This is where foundations for accurate production of the model are laid.



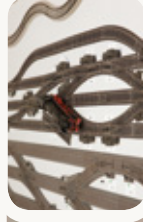
2 Development: Design uses prototype information to produce a CAD model with which even the behavior on virtual curves can be tested. These data models are then used by the toolmakers for designing the tools which will be needed for the various models. In parallel, the Electronics shop designs the electronic components and equips the complex mechatronic product with software and sound functions.



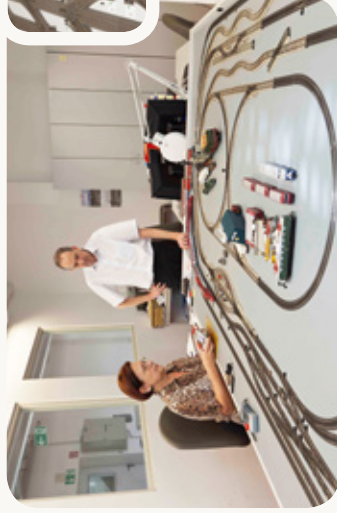
3 Tool making: As a result of the tool design, high-quality molds for instance for loco bodies, cutting and bending tools and other manufacturing instruments can be fabricated. These invaluable appliances are the starting point for production.



4 Zinc die casting: One of Märklin's specialties is zinc die casting. At 420 degrees Celsius, molten zinc is shot into the mold in a matter of milliseconds. The foundry has been awarded prizes on a number of occasions, such as for a body shell with the most delicate separately-applied parts, or a delicately-pierced freight car floor.



10 Quality assurance: Quality control is carried out according to laid down standards at every stage of production. With hand-finished examples and pre-production and series models, final functional testing is carried out on test layouts with all possible turnout configurations with running tests.



5 Mold processing / stamping department

After checking the castings under the illuminated magnifying glass, the casting swarf is removed and they are brushed and deburred. In the CNC processing center, one of the jobs is to drill holes for separately-applied parts. In the stamping shop, the mass-production parts are made, such as coupling rods (right), coupler hooks and collector shoes.



Assembly: The assembly procedure for chassis, superstructure, tender and decoder programming consists of some 25 individual steps. After uniting chassis and superstructure, a functional test is carried out.

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Hand painting: If spray-painting or printing procedures cannot be used, boiler bands, lining, delicate contours and recesses are hand-painted using a brush or a dosing machine.

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Painting: The body castings receive their primer coat in automatic spray booths then the final coat in the prescribed color, and this dries out in a heated line (left). Then the patch painting is done by hand spraying and tampon printing (right): with the freely programmable printing center, up to 36 printing operations can be carried out one after the other with up to 8 different colors. The record is currently held by the class 101 promotional loco "Bayer Garten", with 140 operations. The final stage is always a coat of varnish.

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Finishing: There are two fully-automatic plants in the electroplating shop, each with up to 24 cleaning, rinsing and process baths – in many weeks, up to a million parts are processed here. A body shell for example is given a two-micron protective coating of zinc phosphate against corrosion, and this also guarantees optimum paint adhesion. And if the prototype requires it, the wheels are given a coating of black nickel.

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The production line can be viewed at the Open Days on September 19 & 20, 2014 in Göppingen: Information under www.maerklin.de

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Operations - Lübeck style

Companionship and railroad expertise, running and layout building – they all get their turn at the Modellbahn Insider Treff (MIT) Lübeck. And on top of that, the agile Hanseats are closely associated with other north German round tables.

Concordia domi: Harmony is called for by the inscription on the Holstentor, and is respected by the MIT Lübeck with tolerance towards all modes of the model railroad hobby.





Active module construction group: the MIT Lübeck layout builders also fill larger sports halls with their finely-worked H0 modules.

Harmony at home, peace outside – the peace-loving motto on the Holsten-tor (“concordia domi, foris pax”) also applies to the MIT Lübeck: “We want to have fun together and with the model railroad and exchange information – that’s the most important thing”, asserts Reiner Wegner. He and Volker Scharf are in charge at the MIT, where “misery-guts and rivet counters” don’t find much sympathy. “If anyone starts quoting DIN standards or examining a tender for faults, he’s not welcome here – we enjoy seeing it when a model looks good”. Respect all round is expected, and Wegner expresses it in Platt-deutsch: “Wat den Eenen sin Uhl, ist den Annern sin Nachtigall” (literally, what for one person an owl is, is a nightingale for another – or one man’s meat is another man’s poison).

Then Hanseatic open-mindedness and solidarity is all part of it. For four years now, the northern round tables MIT Lübeck, the Hanseatic Märklinist Round Table HAMST and MIT Kiel have been cooperating closely, and the members regularly visit one another’s meets. “Maintaining contact with our colleagues from HAMST and MIT Kiel is really important. We have put on many activities together”, explains Volker Scharf and refers to the Märklin Mega Meetings held in Hamburg in 2011 and in 2013 in Lübeck. “Events of this size and with such an atmosphere →



Share enthusiasm: in 2013 the MIT Lübeck organized the Märklin Mega Meeting (above) with other round tables.

At the MMM a trip on the Vogelfluglinie (left) was also organized.



Flagship of the MIT Lübeck From in the 1960s, Lübeck was for many years a stronghold of the V200 diesels. The Bundesbahn Welfare Group still operates the preserved V200 007.

→ would never have been possible without the harmonious teamwork of all three round tables". Excursions at Christmas too are by now almost a tradition with MIT Lübeck and HAMST. One example is a trip to destinations of railroad interest in Berlin with the preserved loco V 200 007 from Lübeck. And why not the main-line diesel, as Reiner Wegner observes: "The V 200 is the round table loco – it decorates our forum and the round table pennants. The V 200 was THE locomotive in Lübeck in the 1960s and 1970s, running from here to the Vogelfluglinie".

For nearly ten years now, MIT Lübeck has met in the community center in Lübeck-Dornbreite. "Naturally, Märklin plays the lead in the round tables, but the DC-ers can also run Trix models, and our guests also include fans of N and Z gauges, who give us H0-ers an insight into their rather smaller worlds", as joint MIT leader Wegner tells us. At the round table, tracks are quickly put together for three sectors of the hobby: an inside track for analogue AC operation, then three circuits for digital AC operation and on the outside, a circuit for the analogue DC operators.

The counter in the community center has been taken over by three early Märklin models. "We don't forget the fans of the older and the very old Märklin

"We want to enjoy ourselves and the model railroad – rivet-counters are not welcome here".

Models either – that way, the charm of the tinplate models and their legendary indestructibility gets a good airing". All of us can look outside our own model railroad box and benefit from the versatility of the whole group. Thanks to the variety of members' models, presentation of round table circuits becomes a loco cavalcade full of surprises. "We often see absolute rarities", says Volker Scharf, referring to the Swedish ore train with its powerful rod-driven class Dm3 electric locomotive and the "picture-book environment train with an E 41, which Märklin produced

A popular sight at MIT-Lübeck exhibitions: a six-stand loco-shed with turntable plus steam locos of the finest quality.





Rarity: The intricately-printed environment train by Märklin is extremely rare – naturally it is there in the enormous rolling stock inventory of the MIT Lübeck.

almost 30 years ago". The classics too bring color to the table-top railroad, with the black-and-red V 200, the Prussian green P 10 or the purple-red and beige DB class 103.1 loco.

The MIT Lübeck members are only table-toppers at meets; most of them have fully-landscaped layouts at home, or they build modules. "An H0 module construction group has been established between the three round tables, and there are already numerous modules ready to operate and in various stages of construction", says Reiner Wegner about the project. "We put the modules together in huge sports halls to make up long runs, and this is how we arrange regular running days at Easter and Christmas, sometimes with fully scheduled operation".

The modules have even survived exhibitions in shopping malls – this public relations work is the way get the younger generation into the fold. Part of this is that anyone interested can turn to the men in charge, Scharf and Wegner. "We're happy to help anyone out with our expertise when they build modules, and if they wish, they are welcome to use them at our exhibitions and on running days", says Reiner Wegner, describing the threshold to joining in as easily overcome: "We prefer to be happy wooden box modelers than dyed-in-the-wool professionals. Anyone interested in model railways can come to us, provided he brings a good mood with him".

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The MIT Lübeck



In January 2009, 15 Märklinists met in Lübeck for the first MIT round table. Two activities were planned: pure operations on meeting days, and the construction of a modular layout. "Not every model railroader has enough space at home to build a model layout and give his trains plenty of room to run", says MIT joint leader Reiner Wegner. Slightly modified, the idea has endured:

- they run at the monthly round table meets in the community center in Lübeck-Dornbreite – but above all, they chat and exchange information. The dates are synchronized with the round table MIT Kiel and HAMST, so that visits to these are possible.
- The module building group follow their passion separately, also with their counterparts in the other northern round tables. Theme of the modules: naturally, Schleswig-Holstein. The modules are presented at exhibitions and running days. A start was recently made on a Z-gauge layout.

The MIT Lübeck manages without a restrictive rule-book; instead, as joint leader Volker Scharf puts it: "Just join in and have fun".

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The makers: Reiner Wegner (left) and Volker Scharf with the MIT-Lübeck pennant, naturally decorated by a V 200.



You will find a complete summary of the current contact details of Märklin Insider round tables in downloadable form in the Club area under club. maerklin.de – and also a list of all round table portraits published so far.



Dizzy heights

The last stop before you reach heaven just has to be the world of the Rhaetian Railway: breathtaking lines and charismatic locos trigger euphoria – just as it happened on the Club trip to Switzerland.

The best photo: Club member Benno Edelmann from Rheinbach won the competition with this picture of regional express 1157 on the Landwasser Viaduct.



Albula line, Landwasser Viaduct, Brusio circular Viaduct – the trip with the Club to the elevated world of the Rhaetian Railway (RhB) was an unforgettable experience for all who took part in it. "The journey through the Engadine along the upper Inn with the Ge 4/6 number 353, the incredible Albula line – we never stopped being amazed and taking photographs", says Karl-Heinz Grässle in describing the atmosphere. That the Märklin Product Manager was also there is an indication of how seriously the Club treats looking after its members. The competition on the best photographs taken on the trip reveals what most inspired the Club members: Horst Reinfurth from Neckargemünd for instance concentrated on the viaducts and tunnels on the Albula line, Aribert Bramhoff from Eckernförde got the stations at Poschiavo, Samedan

and Zernez in his sights – and Benno Edelmann from Rheinbach photographed the entire group in the spring meadow. His was the photograph chosen as winner of the competition by the jury of professional photographers and editorial staff: regional express 1157, in charge of class Ge 4/4 III electric loco 651 "Glacier on Tour", crosses the 65 meter (213') high Landwasser Viaduct – part of the UNESCO World Heritage List – and vanishes into the tunnel in the gigantic cliff face. Märklin presented the winner of the competition with the class 89.70-75 tank locomotive (item 37143).

Text: RR; photos: Hans-Walter Bernsau, Benno Edelmann, Karl-Heinz Grässle, Michael Heid, Gregor Sutter



The runner-up: Spring meadow in the Inn Valley with Ge 4/6 number 353 – this idyllic train scene was taken by photographer Michael Heid from Ludwigshafen.



Nostalgic informality: Even wooden benches can be comfortable when there is a smashing view and super companions with whom you can talk trains.



Loco inspection: Märklin Product Manager Karl-Heinz Grässle was there on the Club expedition – and much in demand as a conversation partner with the knowledgeable participants.



By the precipice: The Club members with ABe 4/4 I RhB electric powered rail car at a halt out on the line.

Group photo with loco: All together enjoying the Swiss rail paradise – for a group of Club members, this dream became a reality (left).



Many atmospheric entries were submitted for the photographic competition held in connection with the Club trip to Switzerland. They can now be seen on the Internet under www.facebook.com/maerklin



Sensational: The Porsche Museum is regarded as one of the most famous car museums in the world – and Club members only pay 4 euro entrance instead of 8 euro.

SERIES CLUB COOPERATION PARTNERS: PART 3 – MUSEUM TOUR IN THE SOUTH

Technical excursions

The production of your Club card is all you need to obtain entrance fee reductions from Club cooperation partners. So if you're planning a tour of the museums in Hesse and Baden-Wuerttemberg, taking your Club card with you will pay for itself very quickly.

First stop: the Railroad Museum Darmstadt-Kranichstein (info: www.bahnwelt.de). Here there are over 200 original rail

vehicles to admire, from a Wuerttemberg T3 to classes like the 41 and 01.10 to electric locos of classes 141 and 103. If you've seen enough, take a break: in season, steam loco and diesel rail car trips are also offered.

The past comes to life in the loco shed


The Neustadt/Weinstrasse Railway Museum (www.eisenbahnmuseum-neustadt.de) is operated by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Eisenbahngeschichte and is appropriately accommodated in a former

loco-shed. Here you will find steam locos like the S3/6 (18 505) and electric locos like E17 113 or the ET 11 01. Owned by DB-Touristikzug, 103 220-0 is also kept here, as are numerous diesel locos. In season, pleasure trips are run on the "Kuckucksbähnle" preserved line. The history of technology can be experienced in the Museum of Technology, Speyer (www.museumspeyer.de) – where you will find highlights like a "Crocodile", the Chinese steam loco "Qian Jin" or a saloon car from the presidential train.



Giant: The Auto & Technik Museum Sinsheim is home to 043 100-7, an oil-fired loco of class 44.

Exhibitions of old-timers, motor-bikes, U-boats, space vehicles and airplanes – including a full-sized Boeing 747 and an Antonov – quickly fill up a day's viewing. Only half-an-hour's drive away is the Auto & Technik Museum Sinsheim (www.museum-sinsheim.de). Here there are locomotive giants like the 18.3, 44, 50, 52 and two "Crocodiles" awaiting Club members. Formula-1 racing cars, old-timers like a Maybach, DeLorean or Rolls-Royce inspire the car fanatics, while a walk through the supersonic jets Concorde and Tupolev awakens feelings of reverence. As in Speyer, there is an IMAX 3-D film theater in Sinsheim too.

The Süddeutsche Eisenbahnmuseum Heilbronn collection in the former Heilbronn loco-shed (www.eisenbahnmuseum-heilbronn.de) has over 60 vehicles. These include express locomotives, such as 01 150, and freight locos of classes 44, 50 and 57. The many passenger cars dating back to state railroad days are also worth seeing. The spectacular Porsche Museum (www.porsche.de/museum) in Stuttgart-Zuffenhausen invites you on a trip back in time through the history of Porsche. Over 80 vehicles, including such world-famous icons as the 356, 911 and 917 – are displayed over an area of 5,600 square meters (over 60,000 square feet). Special exhibitions also get over the fascination of the Porsche idea. 

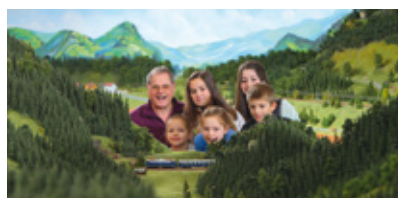
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Club cooperation partner in the Black Forest

LIVELY OPERATIONS ON 1,300 METERS (4,265') OF TRACK



Admire: 40 to 50 trains are continuously running on the 400 m² (4,300 ft²) layout of the Schwarzwald model railroad in Hausach.

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Club benefit: Club members receive a discount of 0.50 euro on the entrance fee for an adult.

EXCITING TRIPS WITH THE ZOLLERNBAHN

Traveling by train: The Eisenbahnfreunde Zollernbahn EFZ promotes rail tours on the Schwarzwald-bahn.

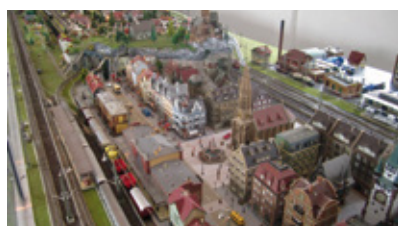


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Club benefit: Club members receive a 25 % discount on the normal charges for one person on trips run by the association

MÄRKLIN SIGHTS TO SEE FROM ALL ERAS



Full program: Märklin Museum, demonstration layouts, art exhibition and café – the Märklin World Titisee will fascinate you.

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Club benefit: Club members receive a discount of 1 euro on the entrance fee for Märklin World Art Gallery, Adventure Mini-golf and the combined ticket

MODEL RAILROAD HIGH-FLYERS



Breathtaking: In Schluchsee, mighty H0 and N-gauge layouts depict Black Forest railroads and superlative Alpine landscapes.

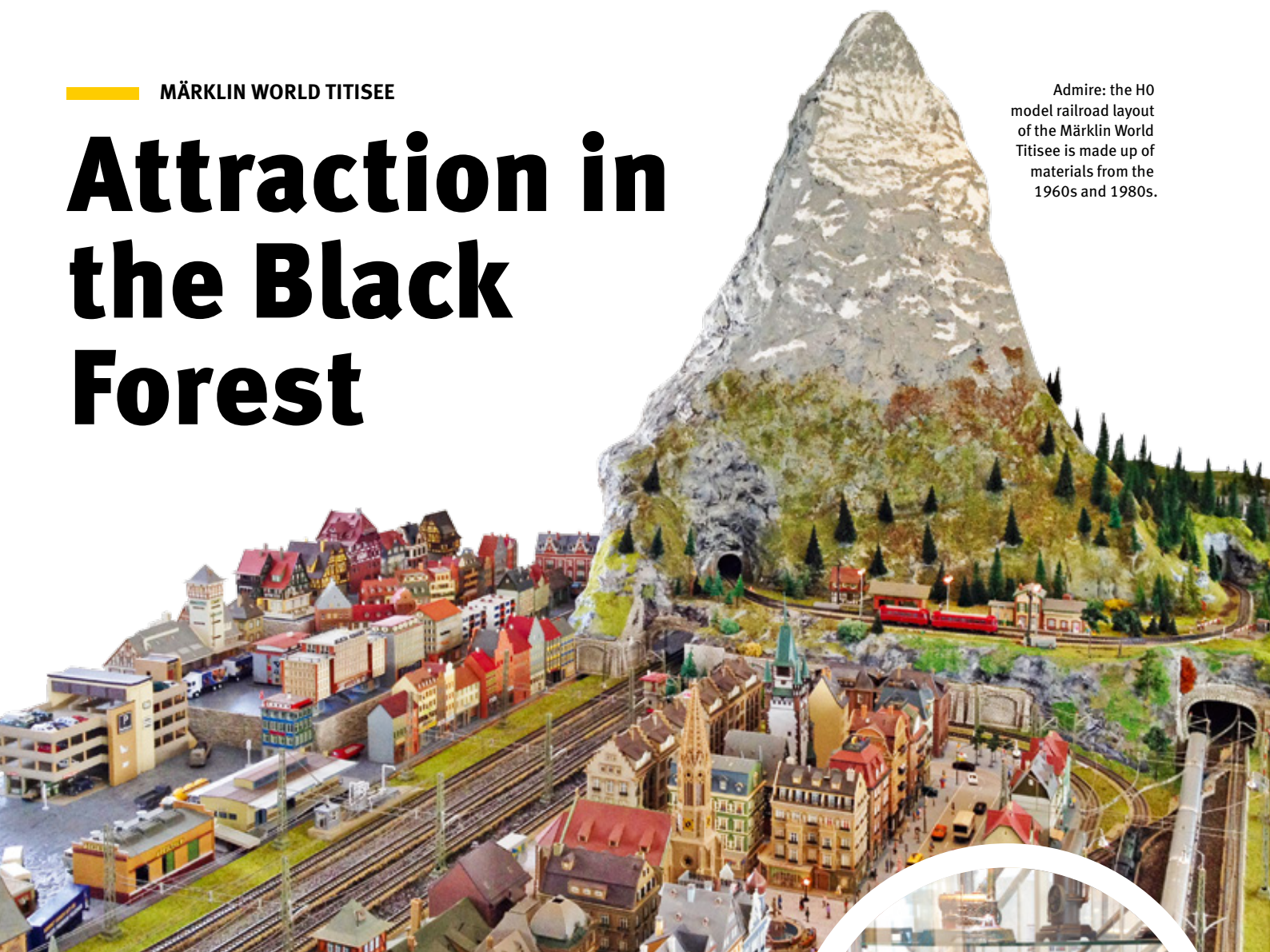
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Club benefit: Club members receive a discount of 50 cents on the adult entrance fee, 1.50 euro discount on a family ticket

Attraction in the Black Forest

Admire: the H0 model railroad layout of the Märklin World Titisee is made up of materials from the 1960s and 1980s.



Catch some fresh air: Black Forest panorama with Titisee and Feldberg – a model railroad trip is worth while for two reasons.



Admire: the Märklin World Titisee shows off Märklin products from over 150 years.

The unique concept of the art world in Titisee combines art, layout construction and museum exhibits. The Modern-Arts Company presents models covering over 150 years of Märklin's company history on three floors, including doll's kitchens, steam machines and model construction sets. Märklin World Titisee is the very first private museum to be authorized to

bear the "Märklin" name – and that guarantees the quality of the exhibition. But modeling art is not all there is to admire: the entrepreneur and artist Hans-Jörg Franz operates a huge H0-gauge model railroad layout with Swiss and German Märklin models, and the landscape is designed accordingly.

After model and layout artistry, the third exhibition is devoted to modern art. In

addition there is an adventure mini-golf course and a café-restaurant with a garden terrace. The concept taken off – since its opening in 2012 the art area has developed into a real magnet for lovers of art. Club members receive a discount on prices of admission (see page 21). **///**

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Digital info days



Digital info days Germany

Date	Retailers	Address	Time*
October 23, 2014	Meises Modellbahncenter	Pankower Strasse 17, 21502 Geesthacht	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
October 22, 2014	Hartfelder Spiele	Tibarg 41, 22459 Hamburg	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
October 18, 2014	Menzels Lokschnuppen & Töff-Töff GmbH	Friedrichstrasse 6, 40217 Düsseldorf	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
September 11, 2014	Spiel und Bahn	Poststrasse 1, 40822 Mettmann	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
September 10, 2014	Modell und Hobby	Neustrasse 10, 41460 Neuss	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
September 09, 2014	ToyNedo	Westenhellenweg 132, 44137 Dortmund	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
October 29, 2014	Märklin Store Cologne	Luxemburger Strasse 307, 50939 Köln	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
October 07, 2014	Spielwaren Theisen	Metzelstrasse 19, 54290 Trier	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
September 23, 2014	Spielwaren Hanni Müller	Bahnhofstrasse 15, 56410 Montabaur	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
October 17, 2014	Modell Pelzer	Pothhofstrasse 2, 58095 Hagen	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
September 16, 2014	Meder OHG	Berger Strasse 198, 60385 Frankfurt	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
October 08, 2014	Ralf Müller Modellbahnen	Auf Pfuhlstrasse 7, 66589 Merchweiler	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
October 02, 2014	Modellbahntreff König	Dürkheimer Strasse 20, 68309 Mannheim	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
September 05, 2014	Eisenbahn-Modellbau Stoll	Bernhäuser Hauptstrasse 32, 70794 Filderstadt	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
September 04, 2014	Märklin Shop Luginsland	Zeppelinstrasse 16, 71159 Mötzingen	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
October 10, 2014	Seitz Modellbahnshop	Allmersbacher Strasse 1, 71546 Aspach	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.
August 01, 2014	Antik Hof	Im Dörfle 6, 79664 Wehr	10:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m.

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October 14, 2014	Metropole Loisirs	Rue des Terreaux 11, 1003 Lausanne
October 15, 2014	Joutec Lauber	Rue de la Colombière 14, 1260 Nyon
October 13, 2014	Train Jouet	Rue Louis Bornet 8, 1630 Bulle
October 16, 2014	HOBBY CENTRE Dubath	Place du Midi 48, 1950 Sion

The info days will be held in French.



Digital info days Italy

Date**	Retailers	Address
October 17, 2014	Artuffo Modellismo	Corso Giulio Cesare 82, 10154 Turin



Digital info days Belgium

Date**	Retailers	Address
November 21, 2014	Herman Van Daele	Ieperstraat 47, 8700 Tielt
November 22, 2014	Herman Van Daele	Ieperstraat 47, 8700 Tielt



Insider Club Meeting Belgium

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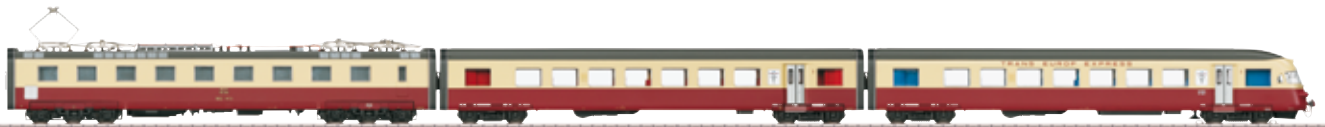
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“Cisalpin” – Dream Train

RAe TEE of SBB Historic: the unit with road number 1053 is today at home in Olten depot.



37547 TEE Electric Rail Car Train



Prototype: Swiss Federal Railways (SBB/CFF/FFS) class RAe four-system electric powered rail car train, 1st class. 6 part unit with 1 control car, 1 open seating car, 1 motor car with a galley, 1 bar car with an open seating compartment, 1 open seating car, and 1 control car. Crimson red / beige TEE basic paint scheme as RAe TEE 1052 "Cisalpin". Used in international TEE service from Milan via Domodossola–Simplon-Brig–Lausanne–Vallorbe–Dijon to Paris. The train looks as it did in the mid-Seventies.

Model: The train has the new mfx+ digital decoder and extensive sound functions mounted in the motor car. It also has controlled high-efficiency propulsion with a flywheel, centrally mounted in the motor car. 4 axles powered through cardan shafts. Traction tires. The triple headlights and dual red marker lights change over with the direction of travel, will work in conventional operation, and can be controlled digitally. The train has factory-installed interior lighting that can be controlled separately in digital operation.

The cab lighting in engineer's cabs 1 and 2 can each be controlled separately in digital operation. Maintenance-free warm white and red LEDs are used for the lighting. The train has four different pantographs in an offset arrangement and detailed roof equipment. The train also has separately applied metal grab irons. The engineer's cabs and the passenger areas have interior details. There is a special close-coupled mechanical and electrical connection between the cars. Both end cars have pickup shoes, and the power pickup switches automatically to the pickup shoe at the front of the train. The ends of the train have a representation of the Scharfenberg coupler (non-working). Minimum radius for operation 360 mm / 14-3/16". Train length approximately 161.0 cm / 63-3/8".

Model highlights

- Equipped with the new mfx+ digital decoder.
- Operation possible in beginner, advanced, and expert modes.

- Simulated operating supplies usage.
- Realistic running characteristics such as constant speed.
- Simulated engineer's cab in the Central Station 2 display.
- Control of the model in the cab mode by means of the touchscreen on the Central Station 2.
- These new functions are only available in conjunction with the Central Station 2 starting with firmware Version 3.5.



Find complete product information on the RAe electric rail car train (item 37547) online under www.maerklin.de