



#### What is Bliss<sup>®</sup>?

Bliss<sup>®</sup> is a sub-brand of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) in the U.S. Bliss<sup>®</sup> caters to people who are looking for a healthy, and luxurious alternative travel experience. It is the combination of a 5-star hotel and a cruise travel experience on a train.



#### **Project Objective**

Create a new brand experience for Amtrak travel by paying special attention to customer wellness through upgrading the train cars, equipment, station signages, advertising, on-board food menu, events and on-board activities.

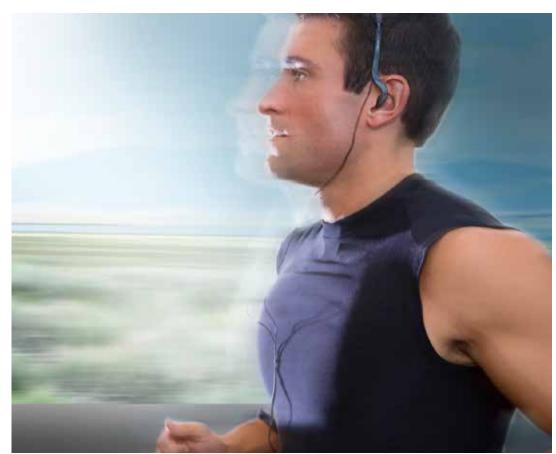


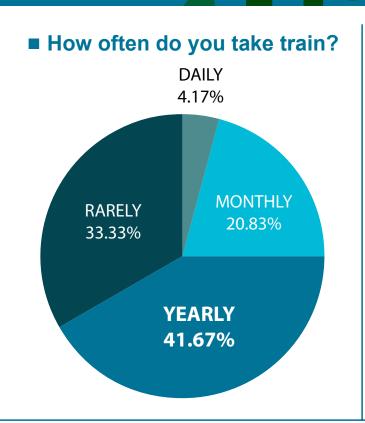




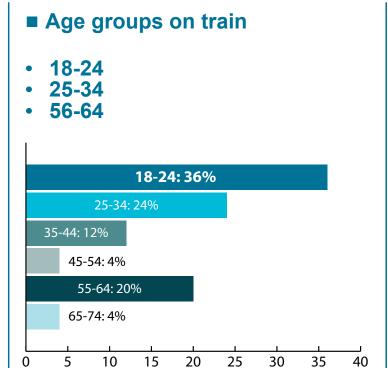


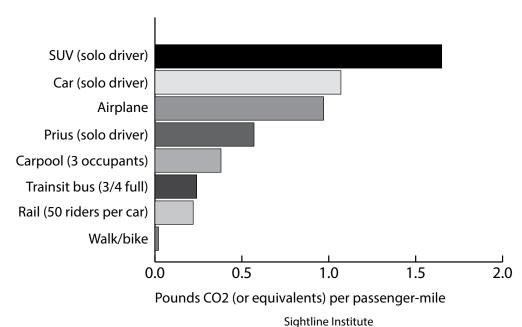


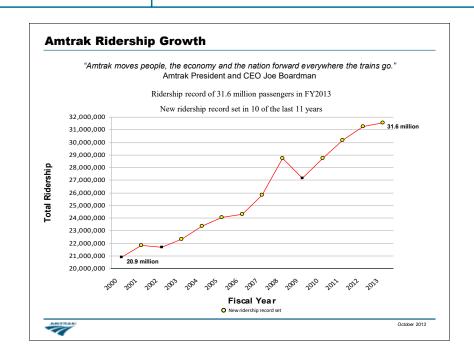








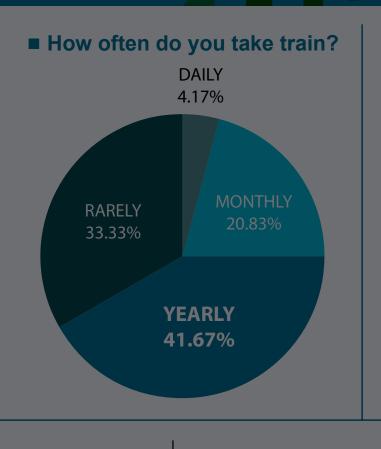




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- On-off small town passengers
- Those who want to enjoy the travel as well as destination, including both business and vacation travel, and who want the the travel to be pleasant and the ability to see the country.
- Those with psychological or physical impairment who cannot or won't fly.
- Coach passengers who want economical transportation but are unwilling to put up with general discomforts of bus travel.
- Tourists for whom the train trip is the experience.
- Railfans
- **Boy Scouts**
- Amish
- Nostalgia, wanting to experience what they did as a child or what their parents or grandparents told them they did.





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Car (solo driver)

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Carpool (3 occupants)

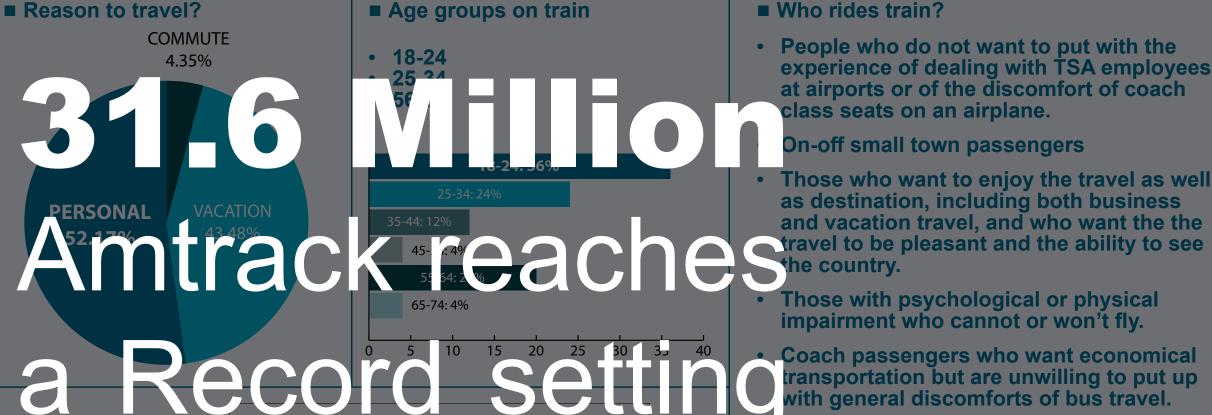
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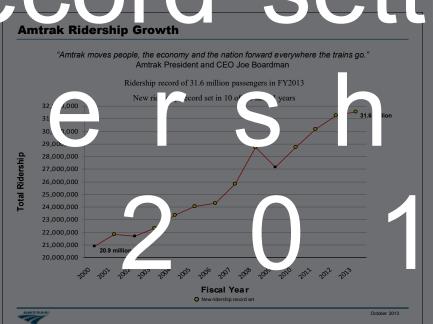
Rail (50 riders per car)

Airplane

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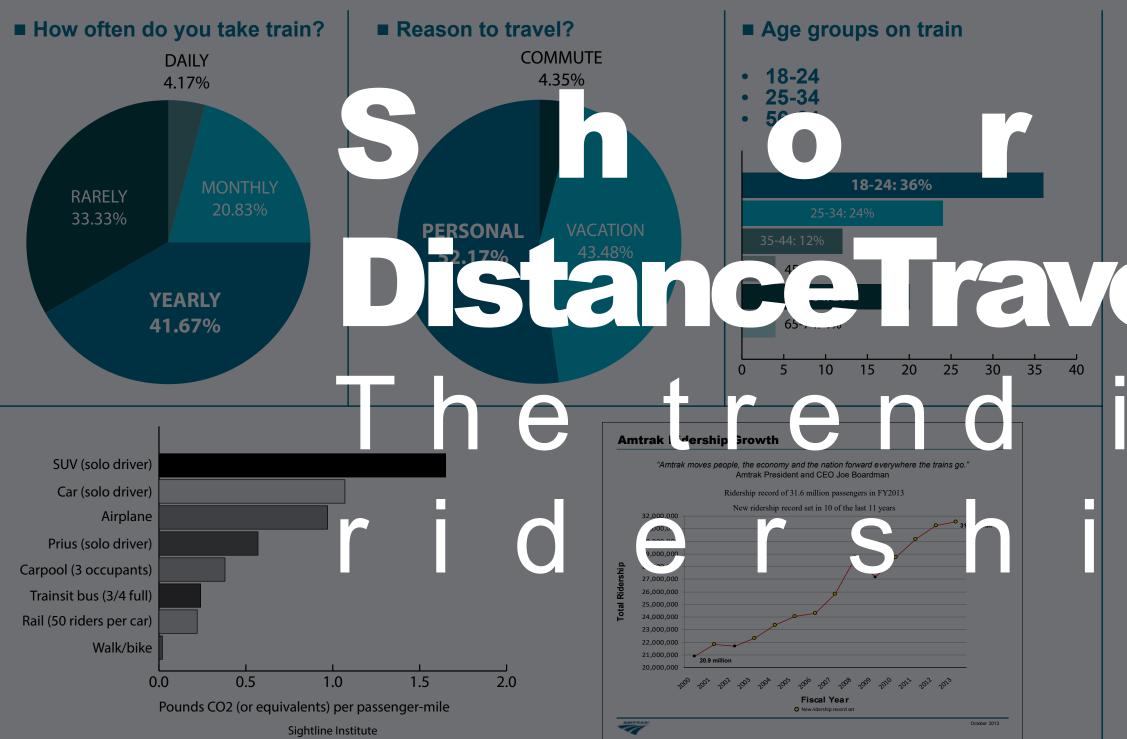
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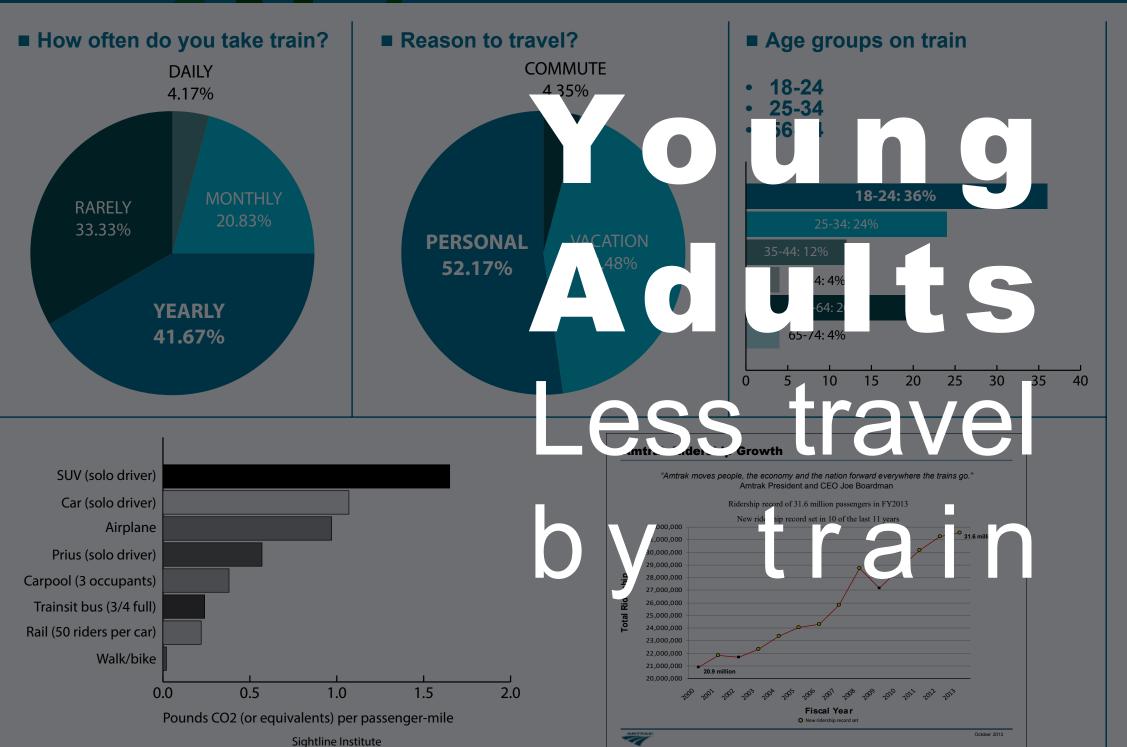
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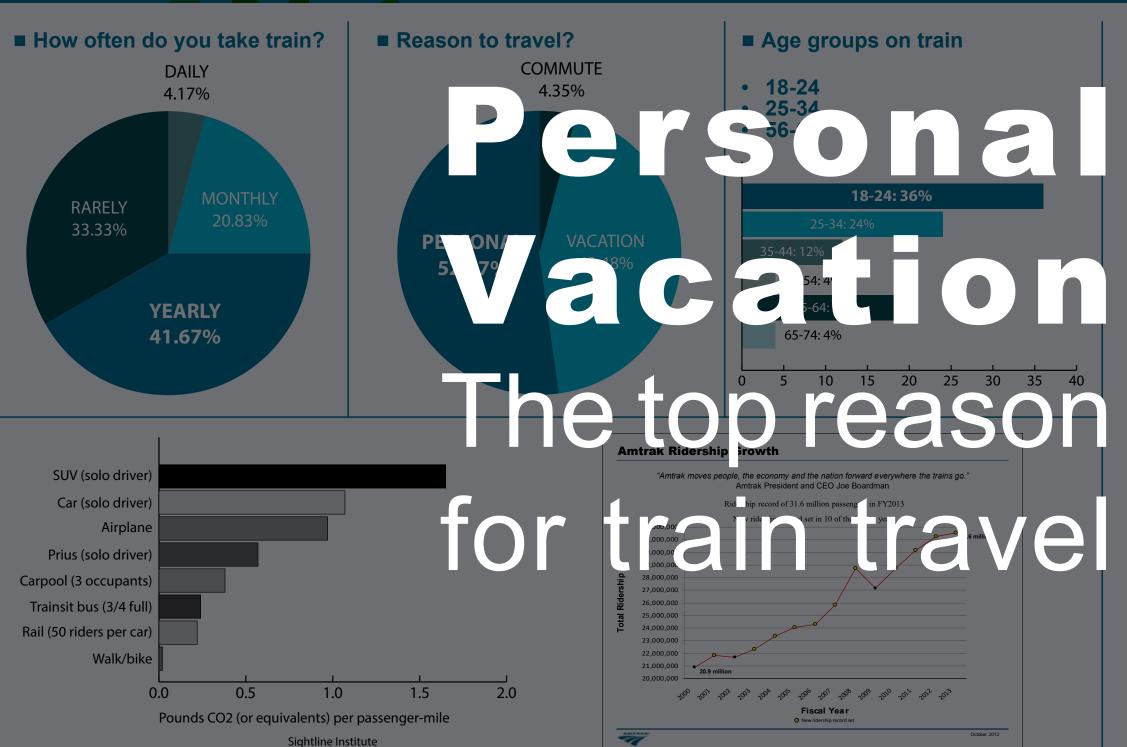
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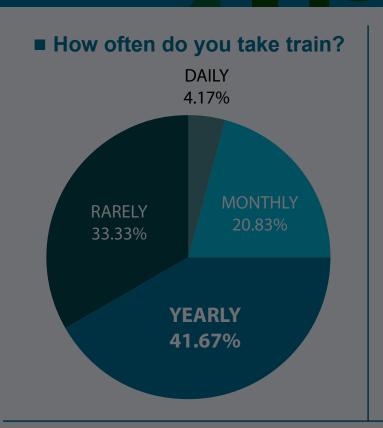
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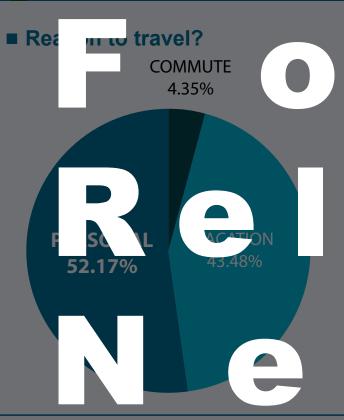


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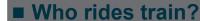


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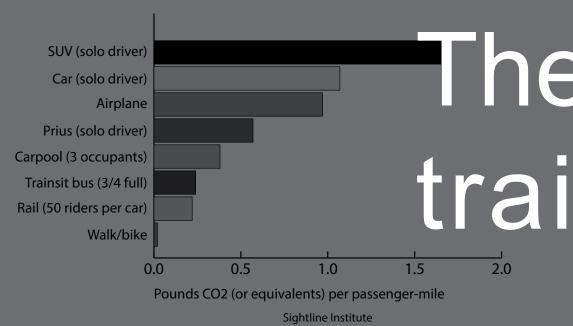


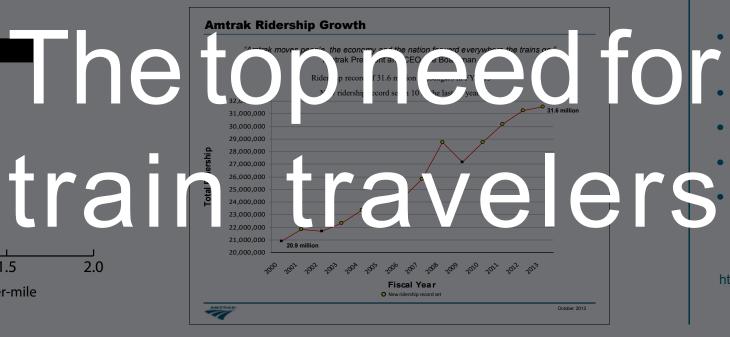


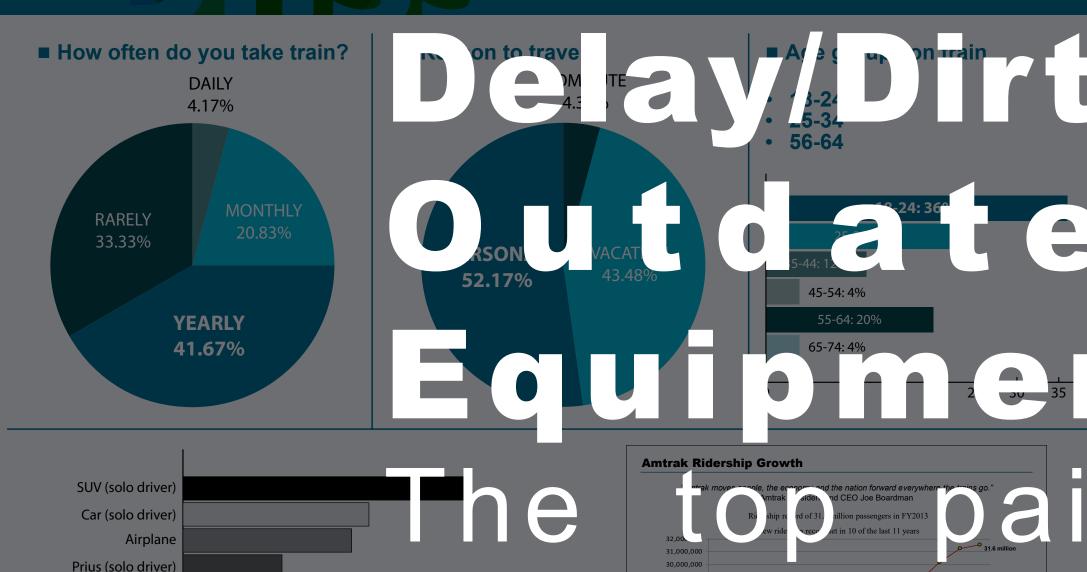




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# STEEPX Opportunities

- High speed rail
- Sustainability
- Growing public transportation ridership
- Travel for business professionals
- Luxury train travel
- Alternative to stressful air travel
- Travel with your whole family and create memorable moments
- Fast, comfortable, and helping the environment
- Promote wellness on train travel
- Alternative to inter-city commute
- Nostalgic train vacations









## Strengths | Weaknesses | Opportunities | Threats

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- 500+ destinations and 30+ routes in USA & Canada
- Up to 4 checked bags per passenger & up to 50lb each bag
- Wi-Fi on select trains and stations
- Lower accident rate compared to travel in automobiles

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- Government red tape on expanding new routes
- Bicycles may need to be checked in as baggage
- Sharing railroads with freight trains causing delays
- Takes a long time to travel long distance
- Out-dated facilities
- Lack of marketing that appeals to younger populations



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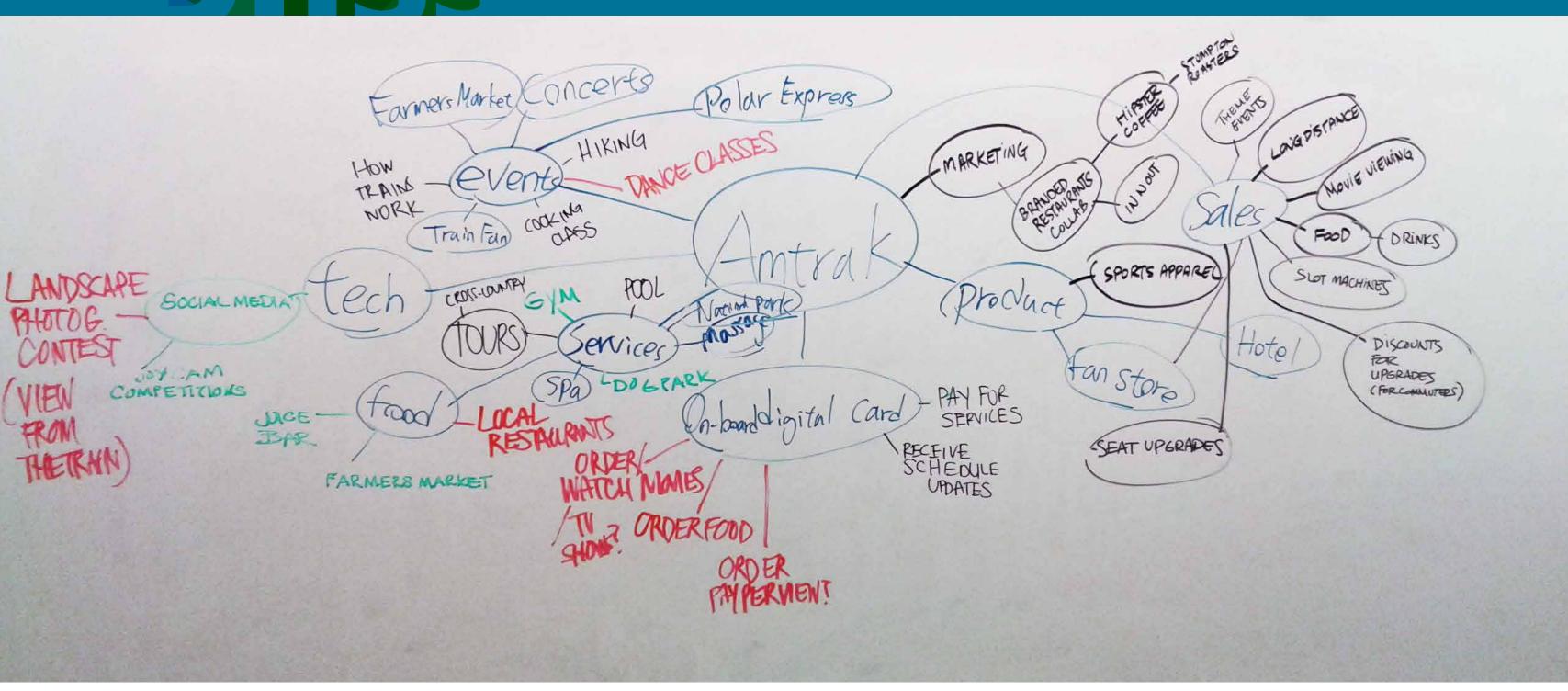
- High speed rail
- Wi-Fi at all Amtrak facilities
- ALLOW PETS ON BOARD
- EXPAND CURRENT TRAIN STATIONS AND MAKE THEM TRAVEL DESTINATIONS
- IMPROVE AGING AND OUTDATED FACILITIES
- MORE EFFICIENT, STREAMLINED SERVICES
- Amtrak fan stores
- Advertise on apps like Waze

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- Budget airline service
- Commuter regional jets
- Budget bus service
- Competitor has on-board entertainment system
- Competitor has a better presence in the digital world



#### **Idea Clusters**



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### **Target Archetype**

#### **TECHY MILLENNIAL**

- 20s-30s Gen Y Millennial
- Early adopter, Early majority
- Social liberal
- Tech savvy
- Stay connected
- Health conscious
- Curious and daring
- Authetic and original
- Entitled
- Believe in the power of community
- Socially responsible

#### **MUST HAVE**

- Mobile devices
- Netflix
- Gym
- Locally brewed beers
- Farmers' market
- Live concerts













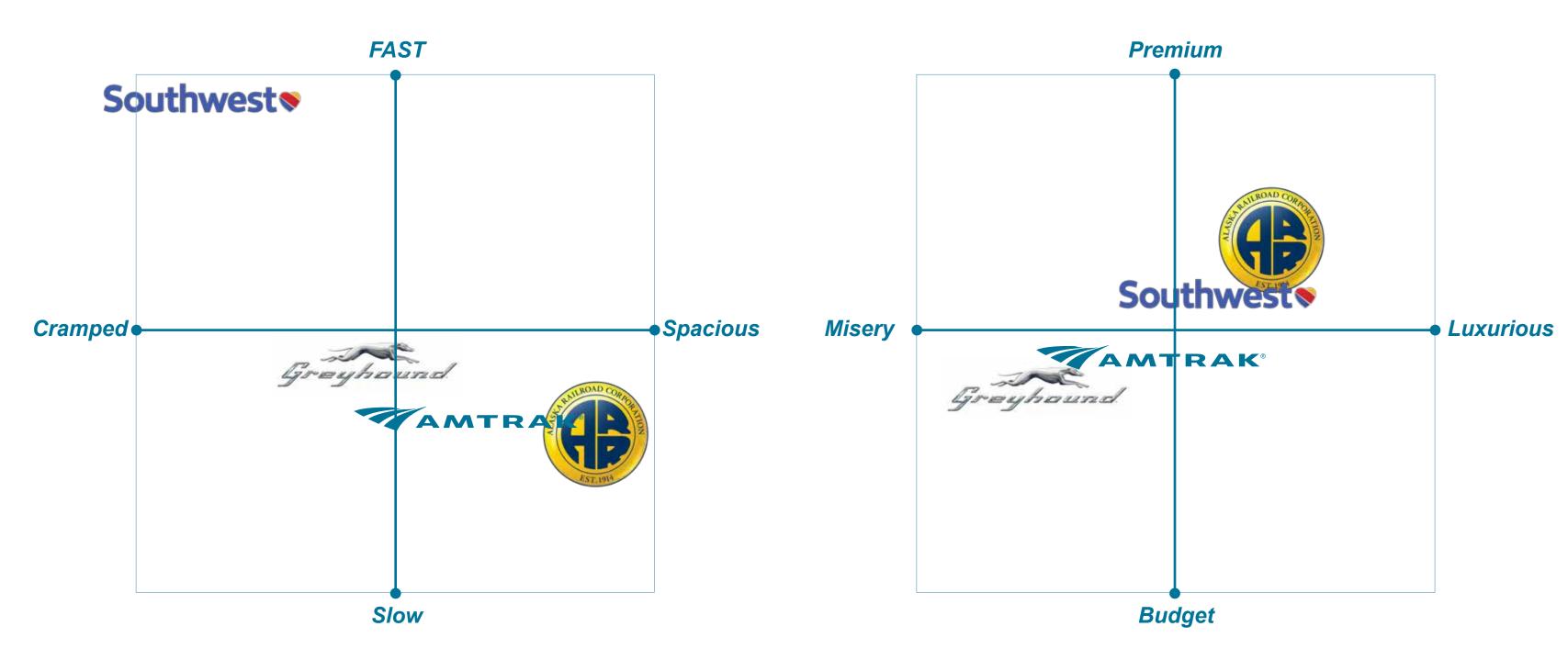
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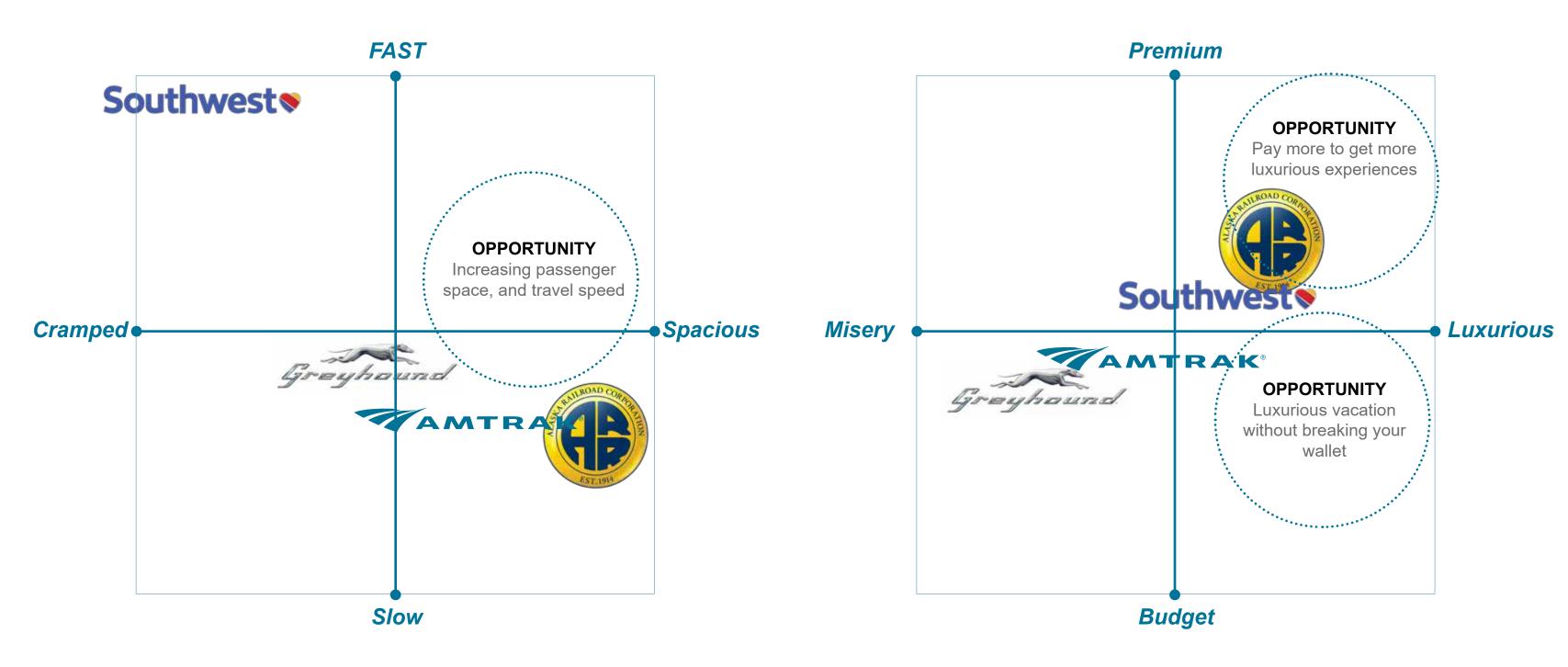




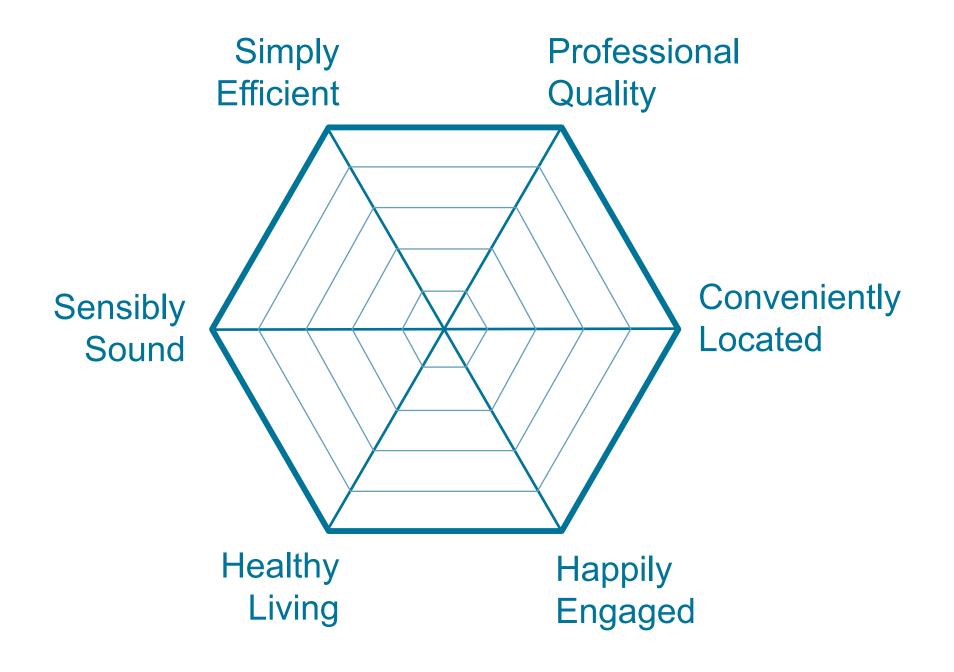
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## Brand Attributes



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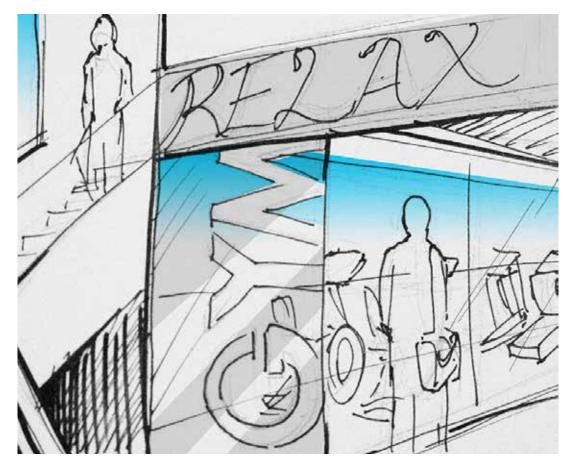
  Customers trust what we deliver as what we promised and provide products and services that make sense to them.
- Simply Efficient

  Customers find products user-friendly, accessible, and efficient; we value your time and energy.

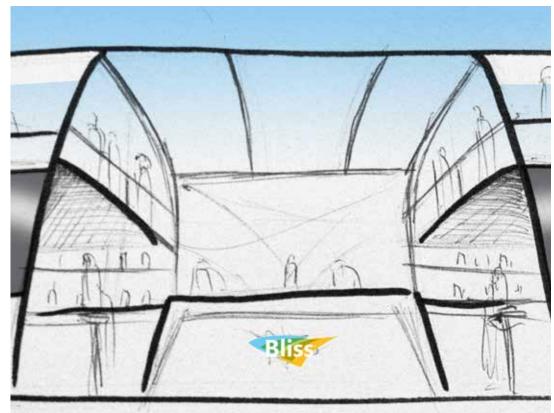


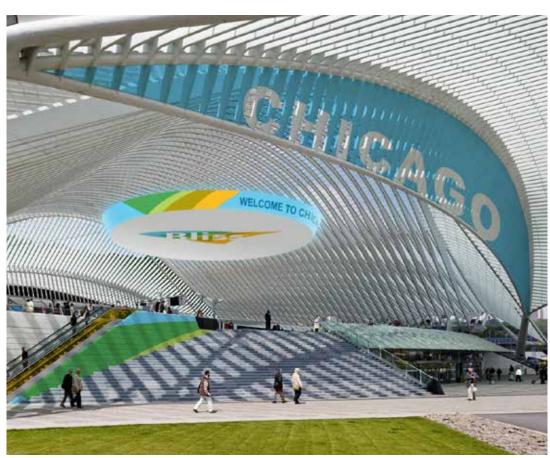
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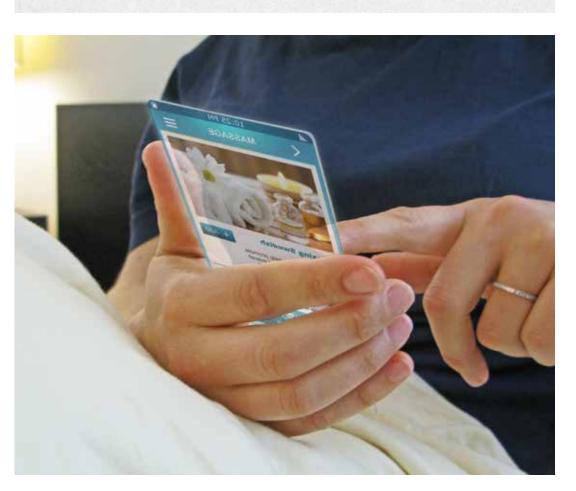












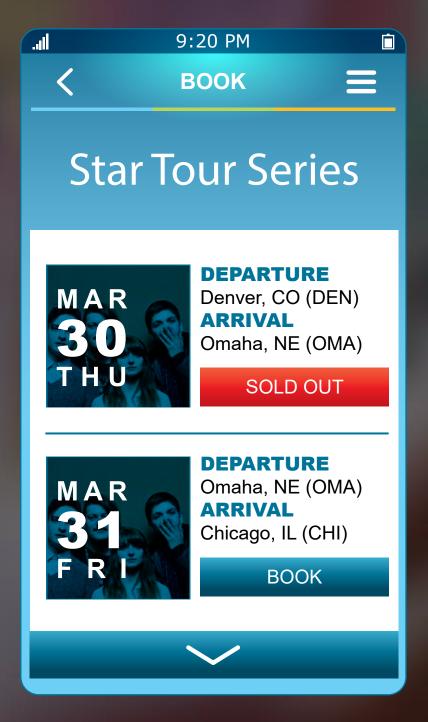




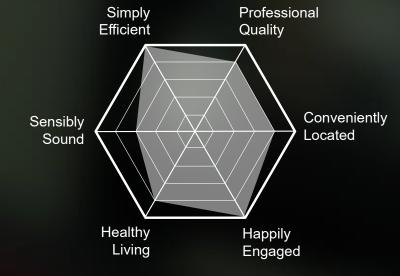






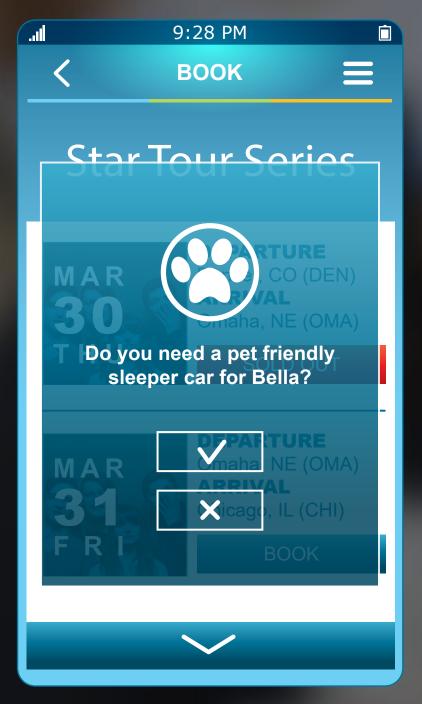


Brian and Stephanie browse the app and find out that their hometown band is going to perform on board a train heading to Chicago during their travel time. They quickly book the trip. The app also provides vacation packages for the route, Trails & Rails National Park program, and the option to stop by any of the train stations along the route before reaching their final destination within a week.

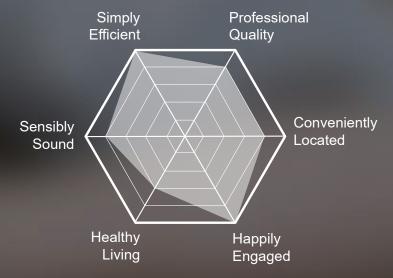








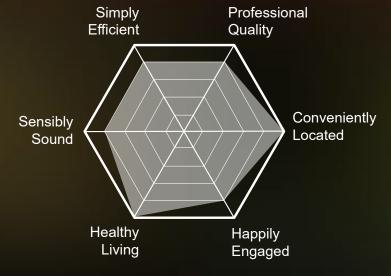
Before they finalize booking the trip, Bella looks at Stephanie wondering if she can come along with them. Meanwhile, the app recieves profile data from Stephanie's social media and acknowledges Stephanie has a dog named Bella. A notification pops up asking them if they want to book a pet-friendly room. They glady select the option. It will be their first long-distance family trip together.





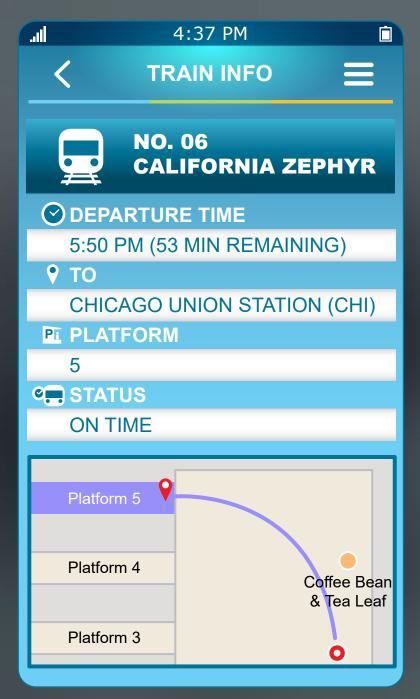


A day before they embark on the journey, the app sends out a notification about an upcoming farmers market event at their boarding station. With their train reservation, they can get discounts at the market. Now they can support local farmers and get fresh fruits and snacks right before the trip.

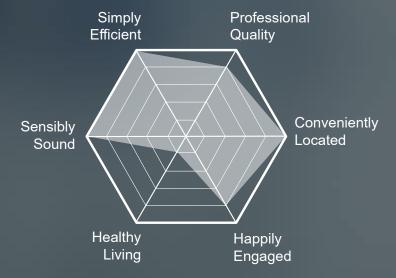






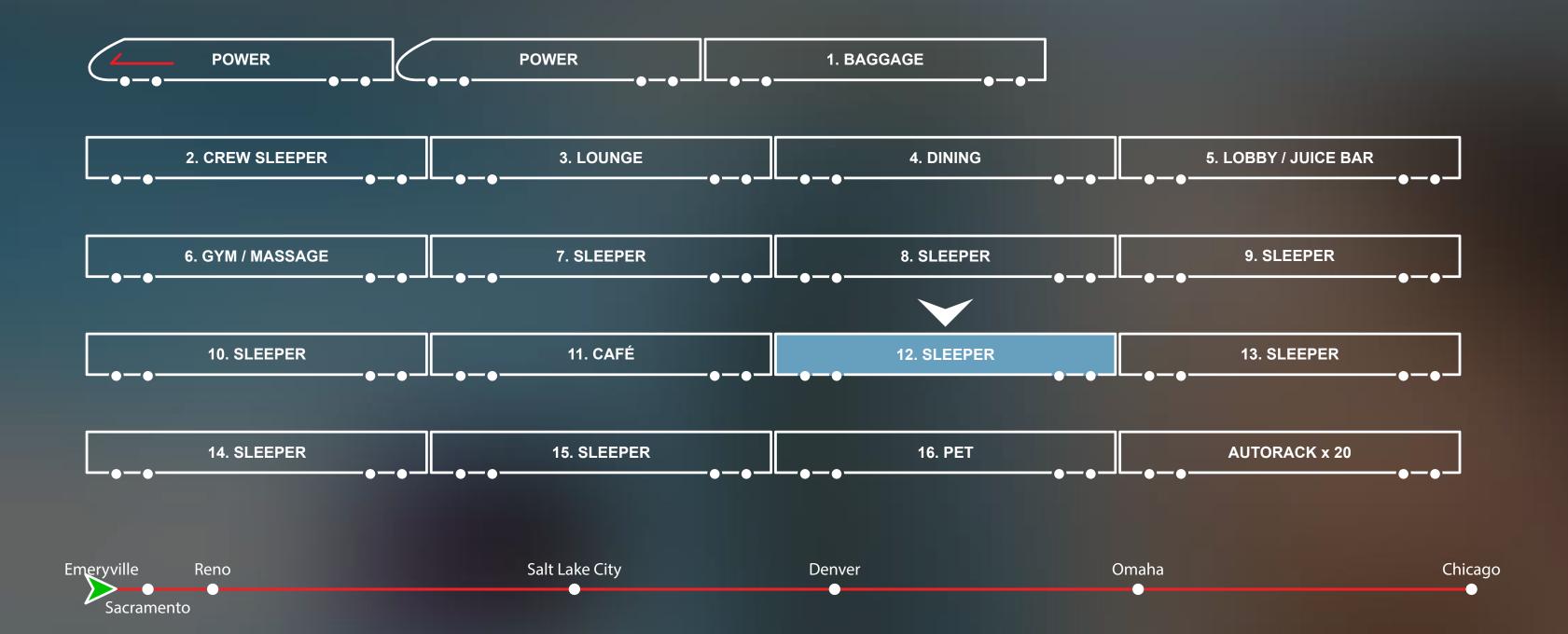


When they enter the train station the app detects that they are in the station and a station map pops up with their departure time, platform number and the direction to their train.











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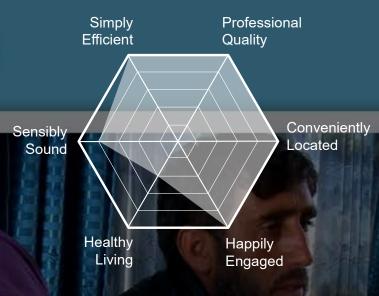
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The Bliss app guides them to their room. Upon entering the room, the app turns into a room remote control that manages all the amenities in the room, including room lights, window shades, and a state-of-the-art TV. The TV provides the train's current location, exterior camera views, weather, news, entertainment and the daily activity schedule throughout the car. These features are also available on the Bliss app.

## NEWS





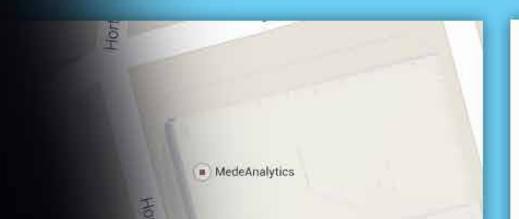
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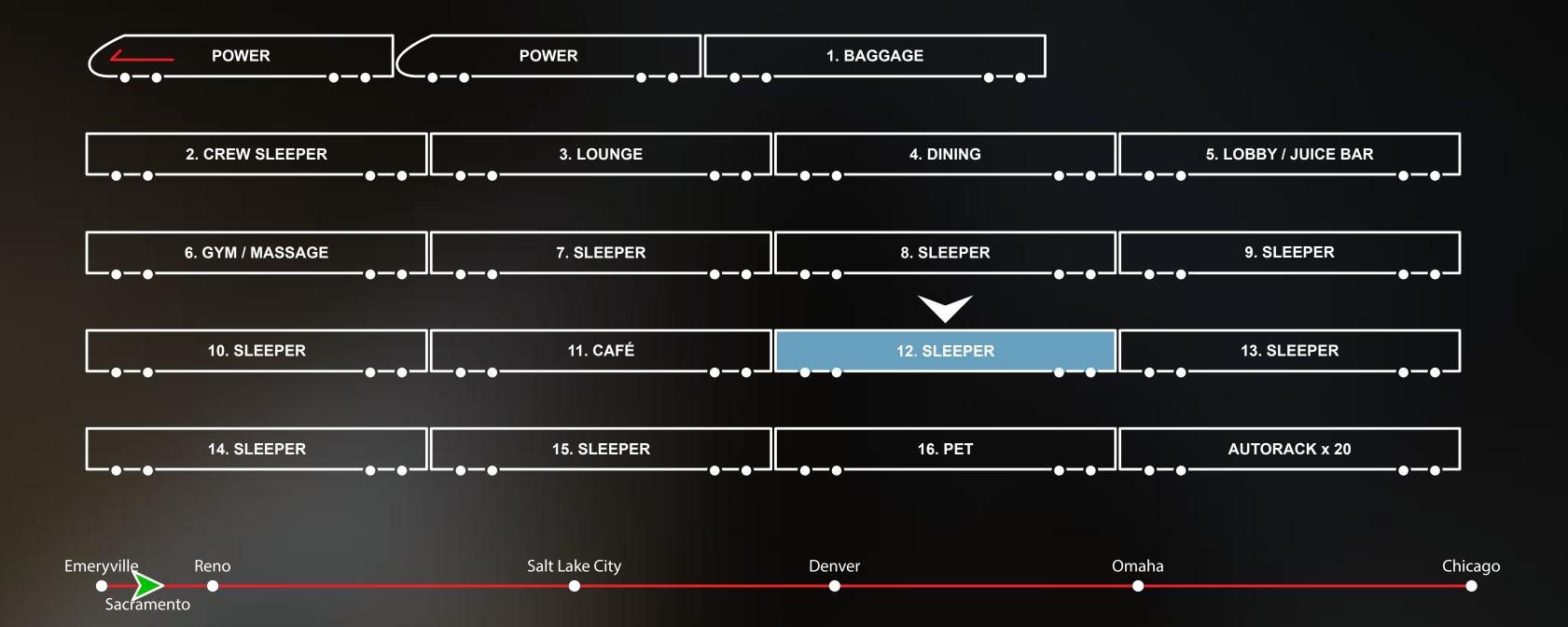
## PET CARE CAR FOOD, LODGING AND GROOMING

Brian turns on the TV with the Bliss app. A short Welcome message appears informing them that there is a Pet care car located at the end of the train. They have the option to check Bella in to that special car where she can receive food, lodging and grooming for an additional fee.



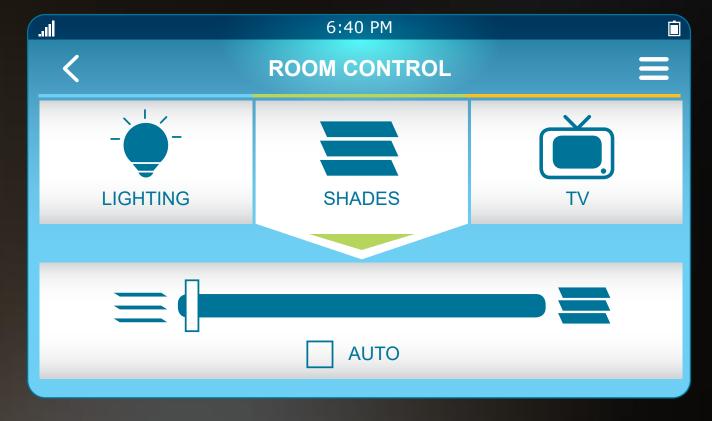




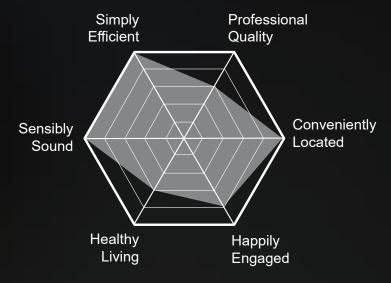




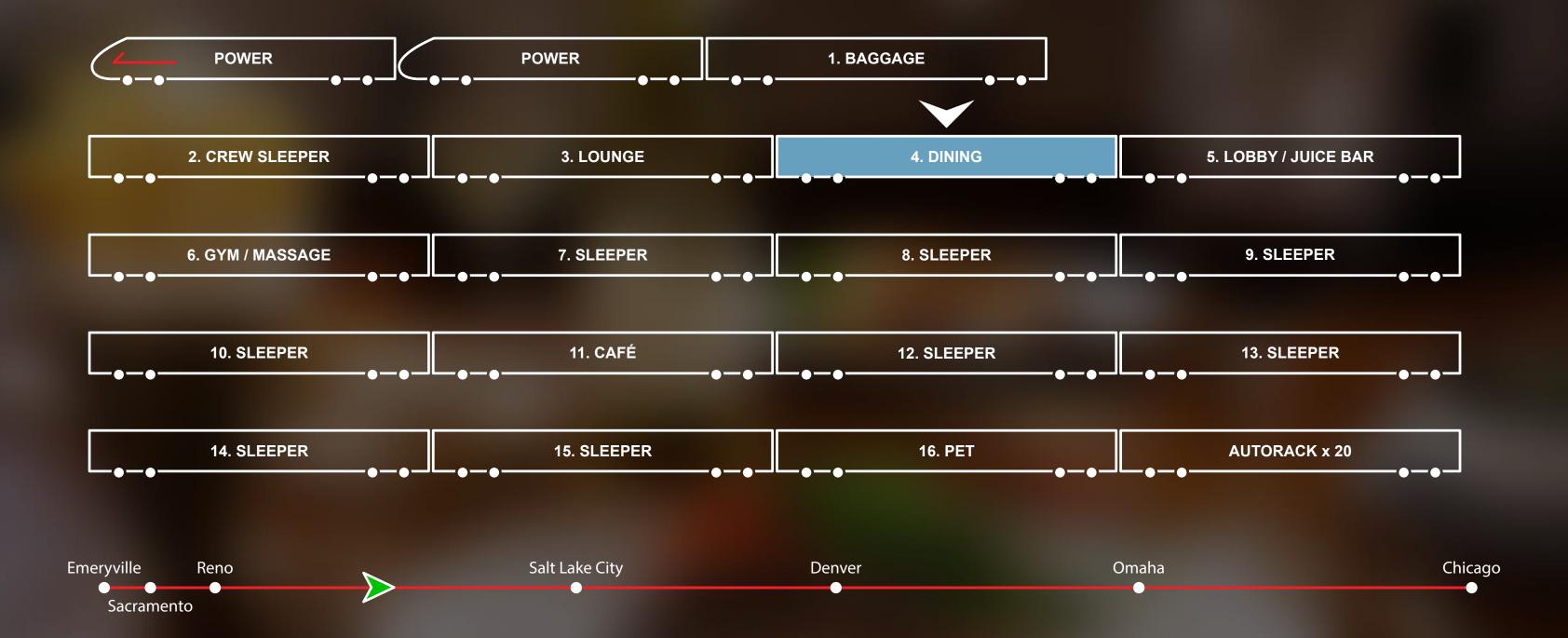




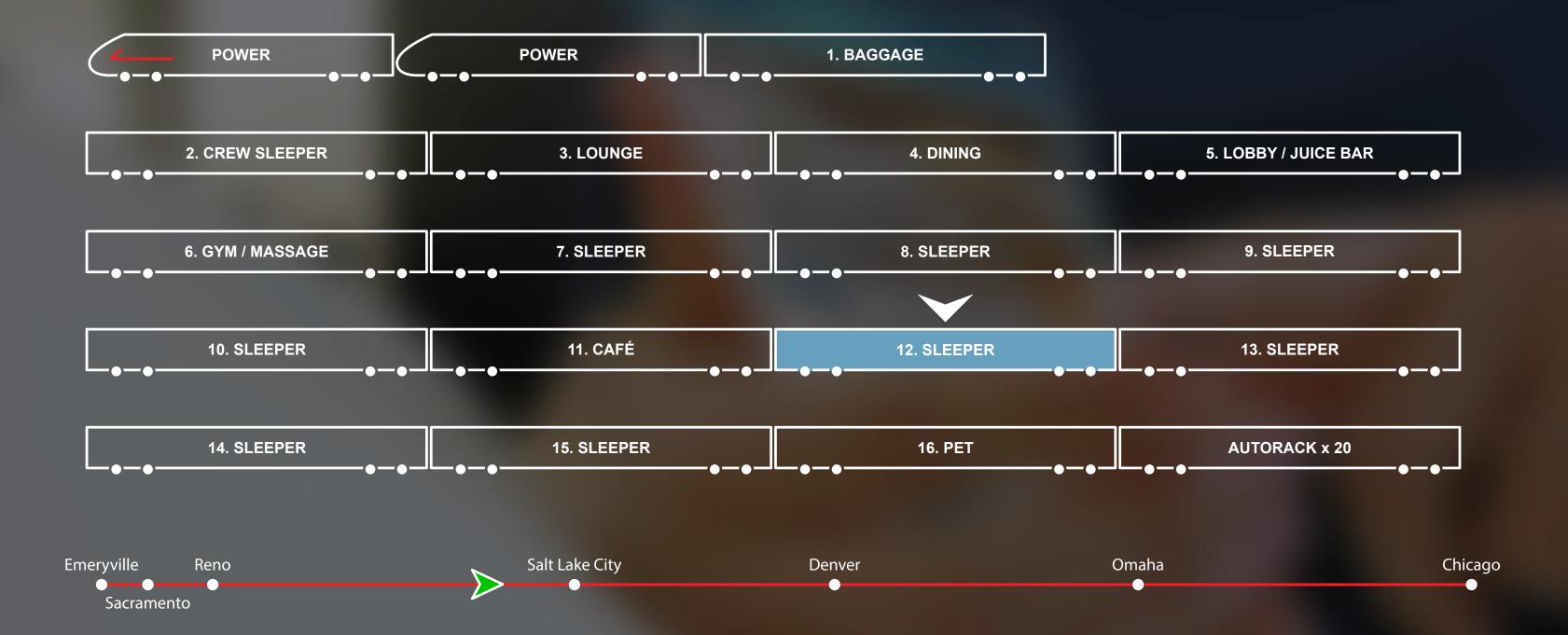
Now they are on their way to Chicago. The afternoon sun is just too bright for them to snuggle on the bed. Brian uses the Bliss app to control the window shades.



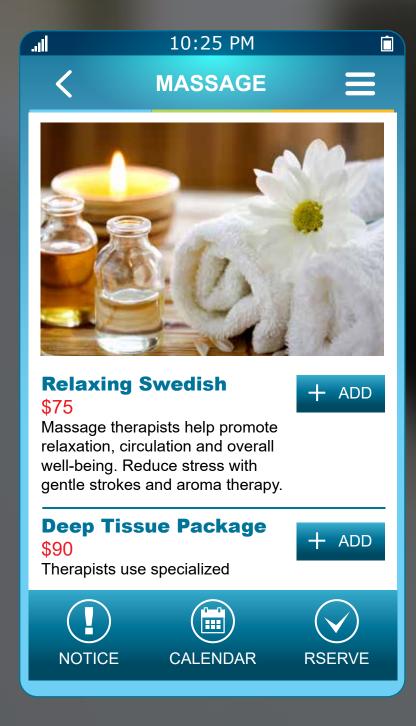








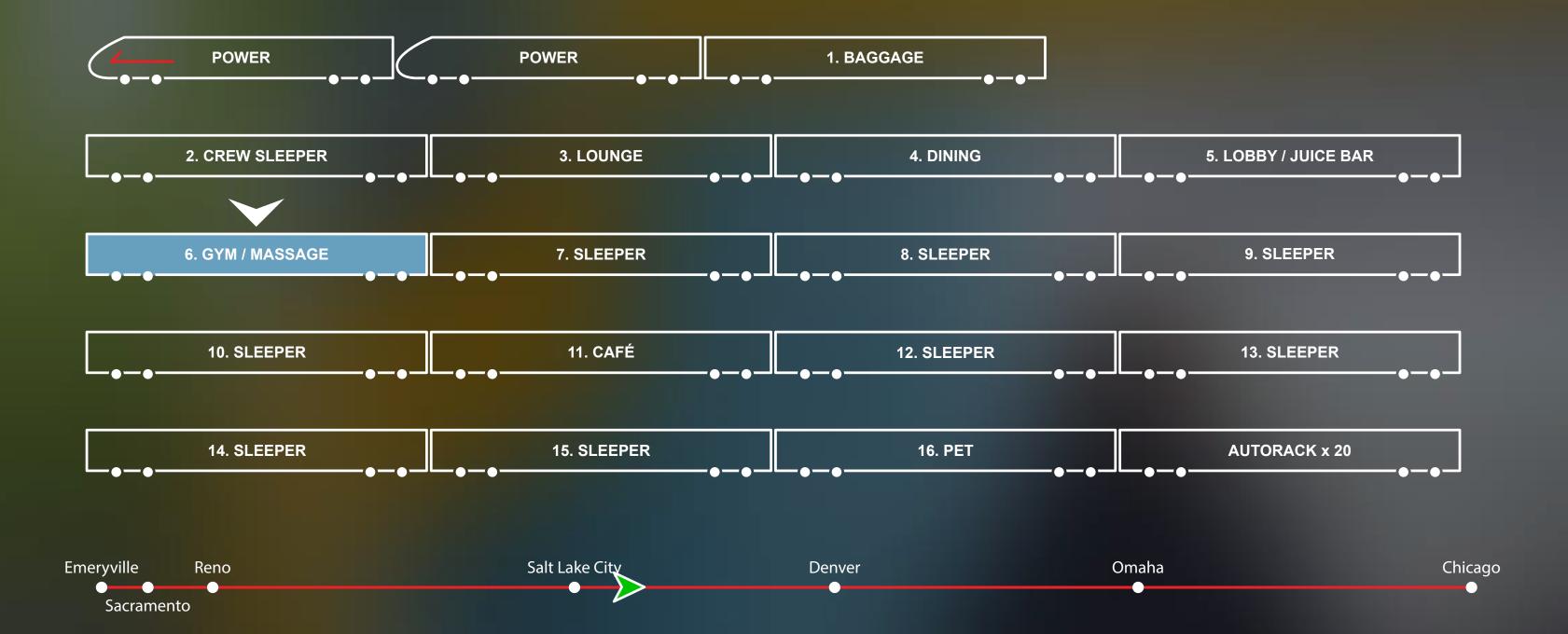




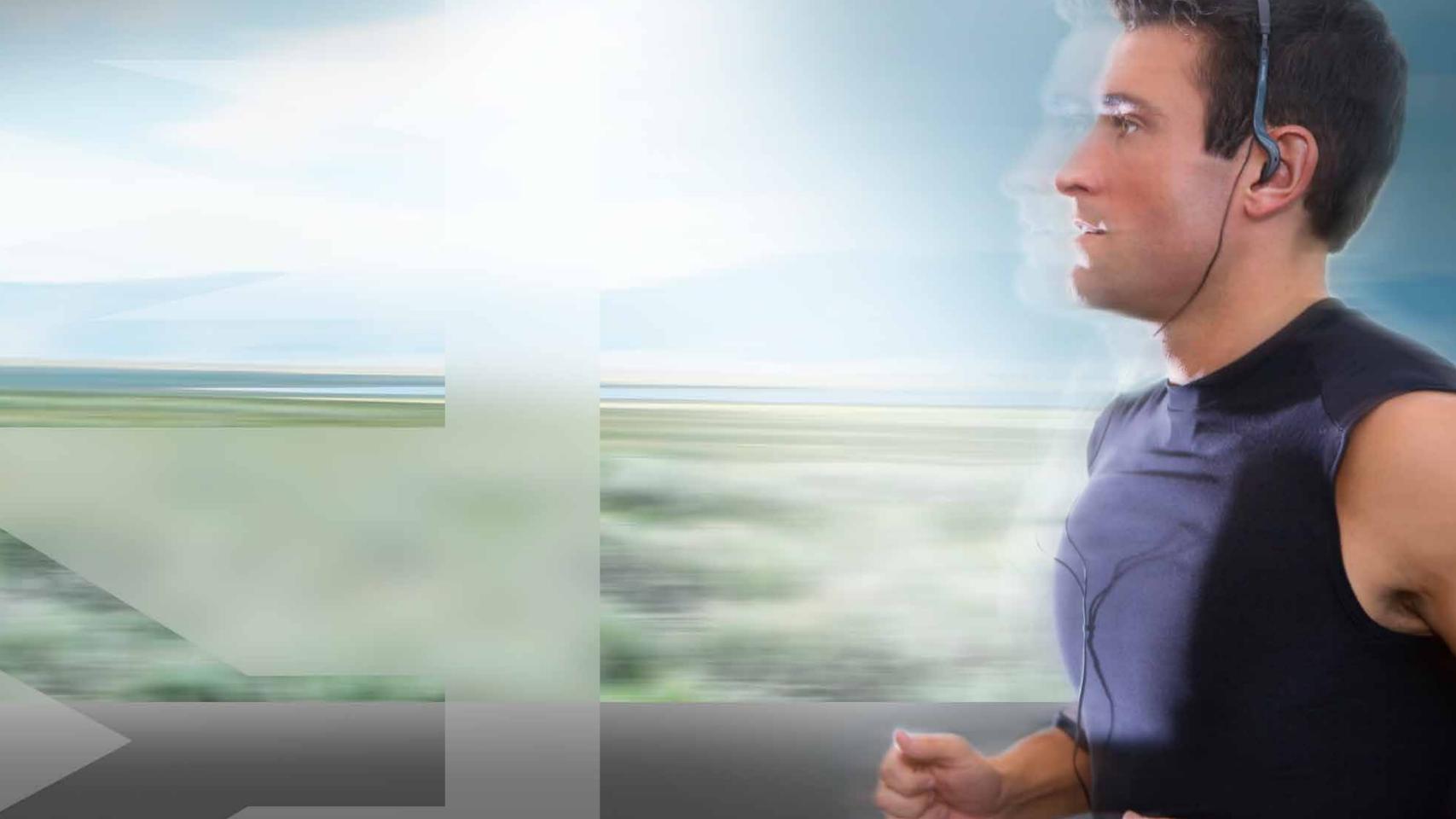


After dinner, Brian and Stephanie pick up Bella at the Pet Care car and spend the rest of the night together. In the mean time, Stephanie uses the Bliss app to make an appointment for a morning massage and order inroom breakfast delivery.

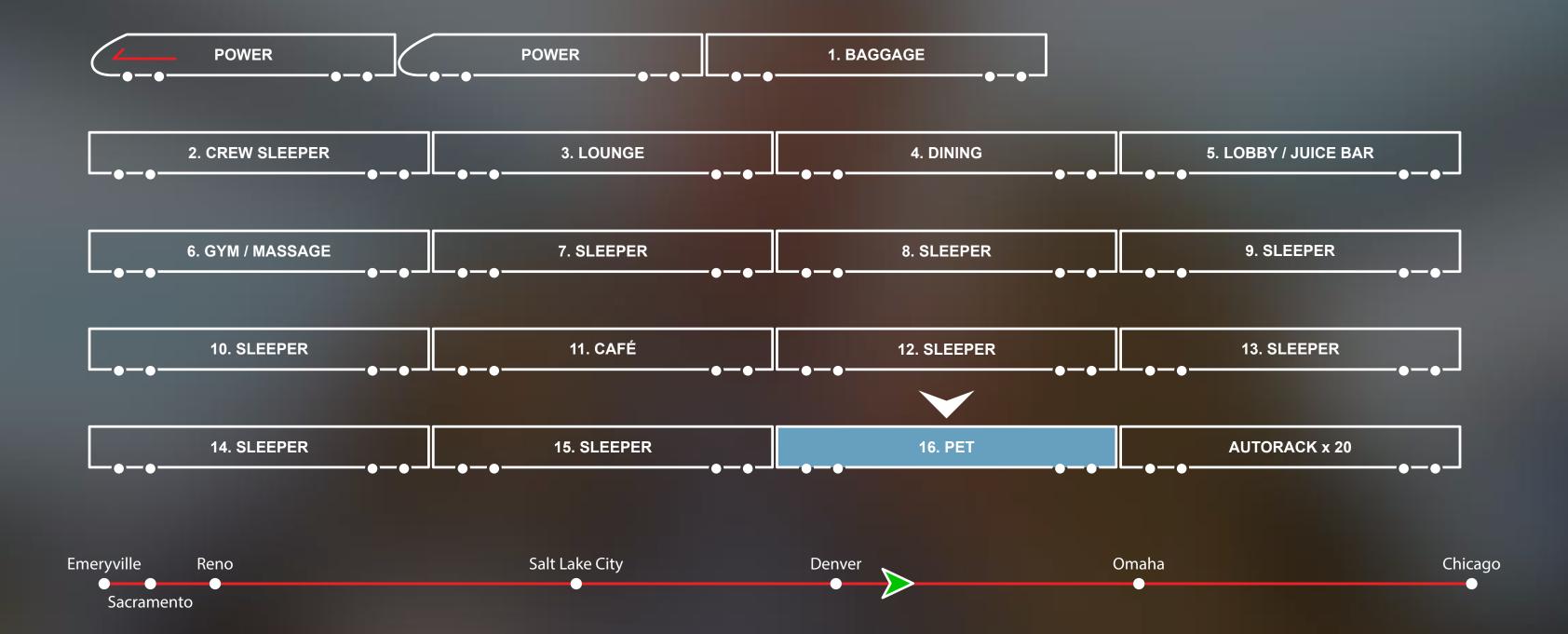


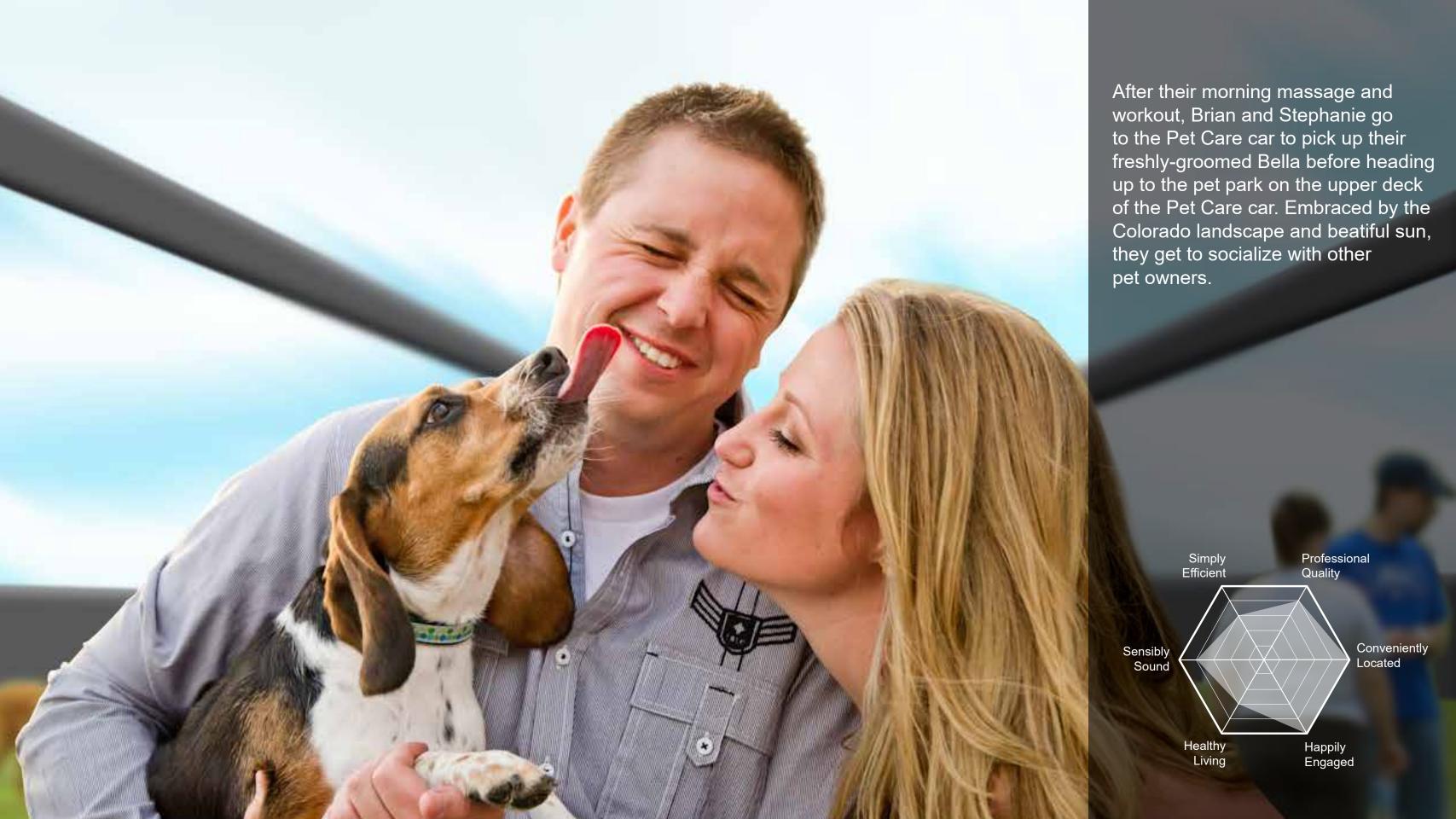














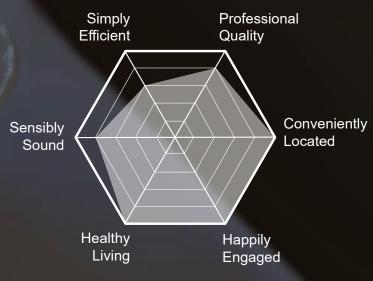


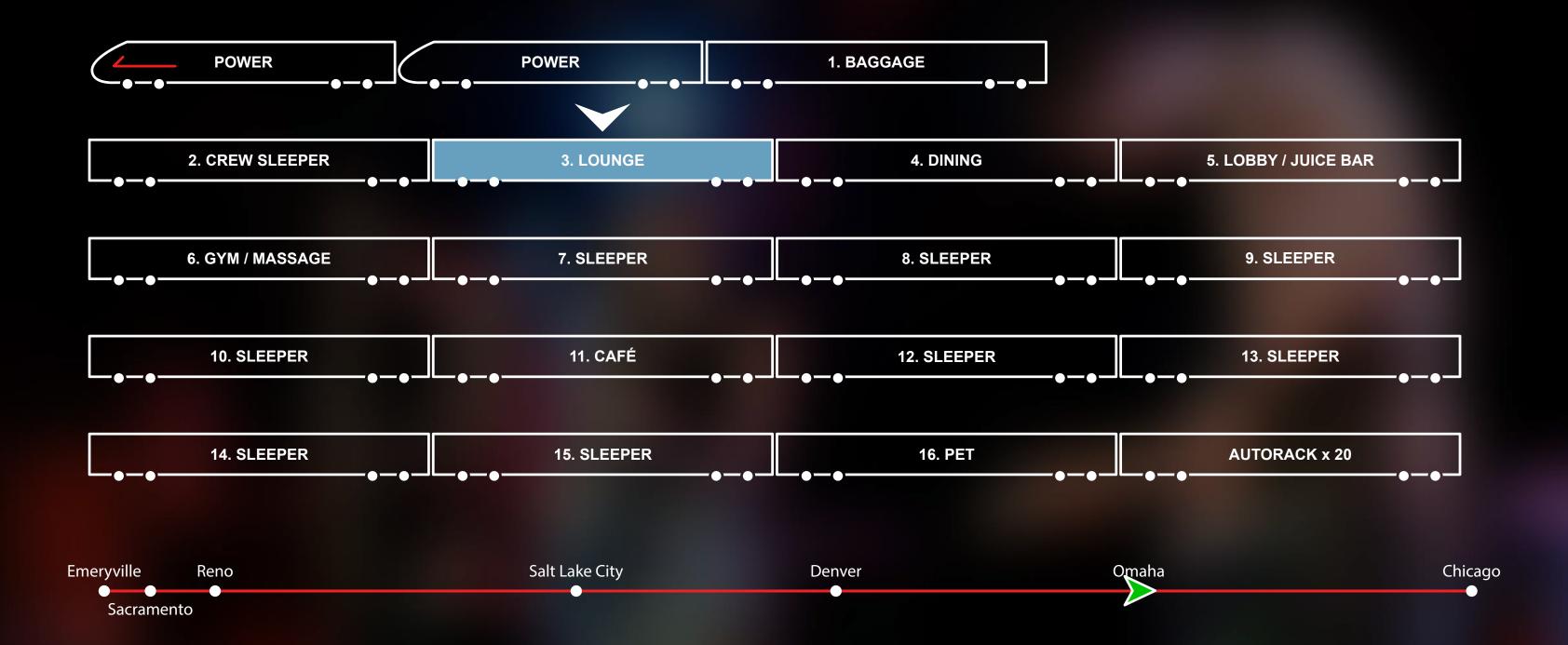




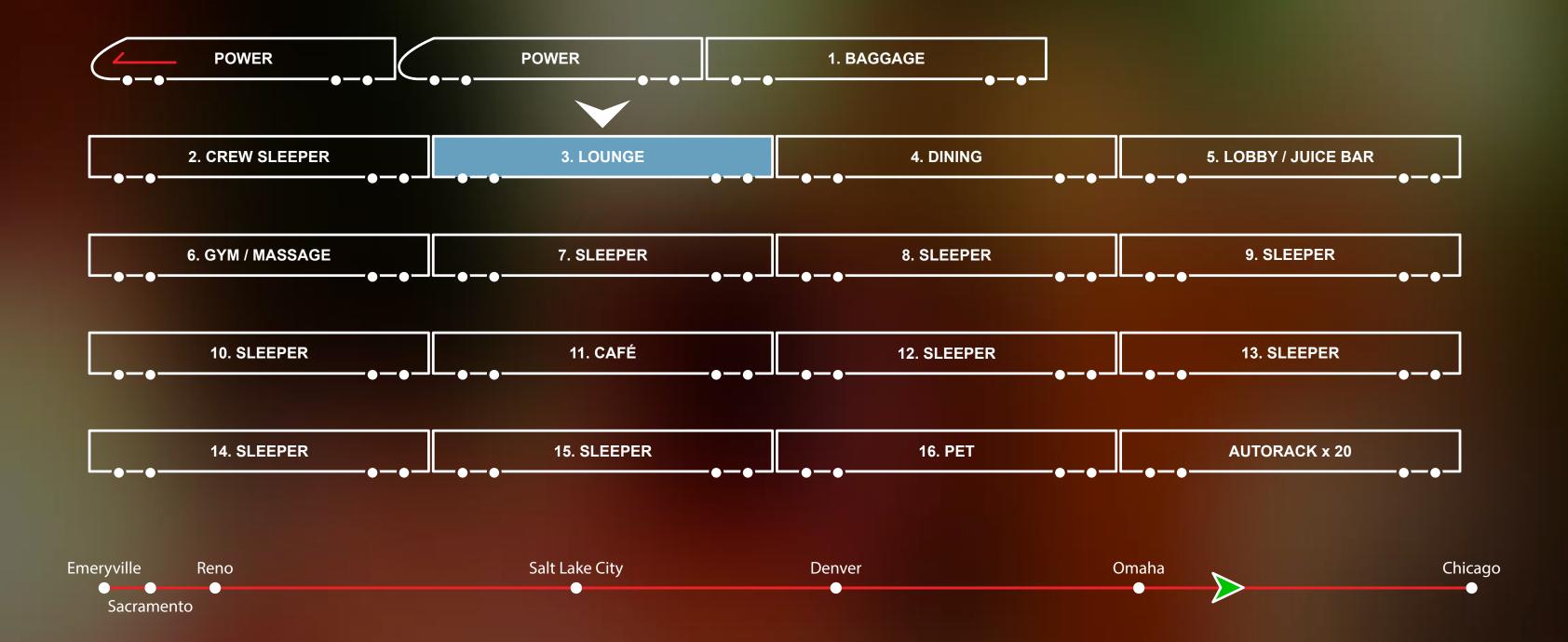


With their new-found pet loving friends, Brian and Stephanie head to the Café car to enjoy afternoon tea time with the Nebraskan scenery as the backdrop. The Café serves organic and fair trade specialty teas and coffees from around the globe brewed fresh daily.



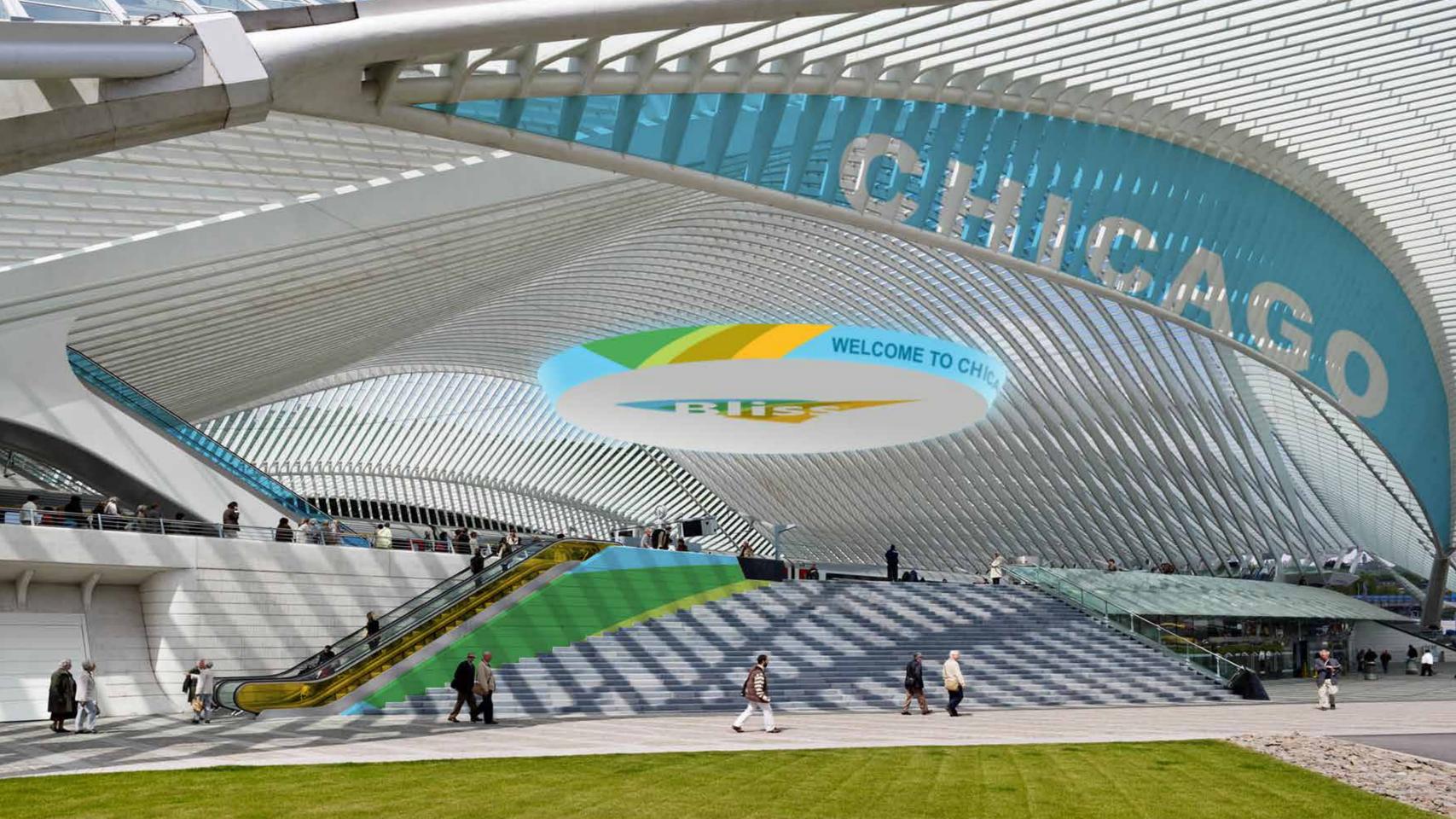


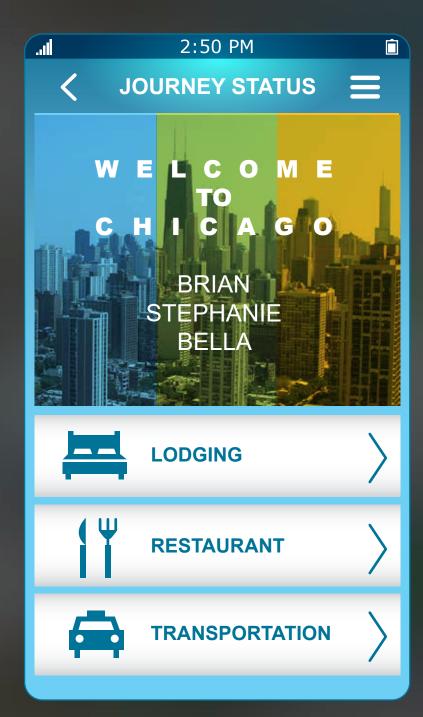






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As they reaching the destination, the Bliss app provides options for their post-travel activities. This concludes their three-day journey to Chicago. It's been one of their most memorable experiences together.





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