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Dear Minitrix Fans,

Welcome to the 2026 new products in 1:160 scale.

Another special feature is this year's Club model. The express train racer, road number 03 001, is undoubtedly a beautiful machine, which, as the first member of the class 03, ushered in a real success story. It also captivated young and old alike as an operational museum locomotive up to the turn of the millennium.

In addition to this nationwide icon among railroad enthusiasts, we present the graffiti art from the "Kunst-Silberlinge" (Art Silver Coins), which were introduced in 1996 for German retailer "Idee und Spiel", meticulously adapted for Minitrix, together with the matching class 111 loco. With flawlessly applied graphics and printing, the now 30-year-old works are painstakingly transferred to Minitrix scale, authentically bringing the spirit of that time to your layout. Don't forget that we are celebrating 100 years of the class 44 this year. What could be more appropriate now than to release our "jumbo," our courtyard locomotive, road number 44 1315, for Minitrix as well?

Another popular workhorse is our new steam locomotive, road number 41 308, which is now the first of its class to also feature the new type 2'2 T30 short tender. The

running gear lights and 29 additional digital functions are sure to enhance the medium-duty passenger and freight services on your Minitrix model railroad layout.

For a splash of color from era VI, look no further than the striking livery of the familiar tourist trains of the 1990s. For all fans of modern rail transport, the "Hilde," well-known in railroad and model railroad circles, will be pulling into your home station along with matching bi-level cars. And last, but not least, what is probably the last class 101 advertisement loco is currently speeding across Germany. Wearing an appealing design to honor the important anniversary of the class 01, it is now also available for you in N scale.

Along with these selected new models, this new product brochure includes even more locomotives, trains, and individual cars for you to use on your layout or exhibit in your Minitrix display case.

We hope you enjoy browsing in 1:160 scale.

Your Minitrix Team

Important Note!

The products shown in this brochure/catalog are high quality collector and model railroad items with a recommended age of 15 years and older. We recommend our Märklin Start up assortment for children aged 6 years and above. This is not suitable for children under the age of three years.



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The Märklin Dealer Initiative MHI is an association of medium size toy and model train specialty dealers. For over 30 years, the MHI has been active for its member firms – the “brick and mortar” specialty stores. Close proximity, personal contact, and individual service characterize the approximately 700 specialty dealers with their trained employees. Here a perfectly balanced model railroad environment awaits the enthusiastic model railroader, the discerning collector, and the interested younger generation. Should there be no MHI dealer in your area, most dealers have a web shop and would be happy to answer your inquiries. The MHI produces exclusively unique special series in limited editions, which can only be purchased through the specialty dealers of this association. These models feature special paint schemes and imprinting as well as technical innovations.

Insider and Trix Club members will always find competent help at their MHI specialty dealer, who can help them with all questions about the club and about the exclusive club models. He is the partner authorized by Märklin to accept orders and make delivery of these models produced only for club members.

The younger generation will also find the right way to get started at the MHI dealer. The MHI also uses large-scale marketing campaigns to support youth development in addition to special products.

All MHI special products are identified by the pictogram  and include a warranty for 5 years.

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"Zeitgenössische Kunst" (Contemporary Art)



16724 Class 111 Electric Locomotive

Prototype: Electric Locomotive, road number 111 018-0. B-B wheel arrangement. Built from 1974 onwards. This is a version with "Zeitgenössischer Kunst" (contemporary art).

Model: The loco has a body and frame constructed of die-cast zinc. The loco has a built-in digital decoder and sound generator for operation with mfx and DCC. The loco has a motor with a flywheel, 4 axles powered, and traction tires. The headlights and marker lights change over with

the direction of travel. Warm-white LEDs are used, and there is cab lighting. All of the lighting can be controlled digitally. A close coupler mechanism is fitted. Length over buffers 104 mm / 4-3/32".

With 28 light and sound functions

One-time series.



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Cab lighting

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18264 "Kunst-Silberlinge" (Art Silver Coins) Car Set

Prototype: Commuter car, 2nd class, commuter car, 1st/2nd class, and commuter cab control car. All cars designed in "Zeitgenössischer Kunst" (contemporary art).

Model: The cars have a close coupler mechanism. The cars are prepared for the retrofitting of interior lighting. The cab control car has triple white headlights and dual red marker lights, which change over with the direction of travel and work in analog and digital operation. In digital operation, these lights can be controlled if an mfx/DCC function decoder is installed.

Total length over buffers 495 mm / 19-1/2".



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Compatible interior lighting:

LED Lighting Kit for Cab Control Cars (item 66611).

"Warm White" LED Interior Lighting Kit (item 66616).

One-time series.

Right car side



Left car side



Left car side



Right car side



Right car side

Left car side



Headlight

The Club Model for 2026



16791 Class 03 Steam Locomotive

Prototype: German Railroad, Inc. (DB AG/DB Museum Nürnberg, on loan to the IG maintenance facility at Dresden Old Town Volunteer Organization) express steam locomotive, road number 03 001 with a type 2'2 T30 short tender. The locomotive looks as it did around 1999. Version with old design boiler, closed front skirting, and "Wagner" smoke deflectors.

Model: The locomotive has tooling changes. The locomotive and tender frame as well as the tender body are constructed of die-cast metal. The locomotive has

Order deadline February 28, 2026



One-time series for the Trix Club.

An accessory parts kit with brakeman's steps, rail clearance devices, and piston rod protection sleeves is included.

Type 2'2 T30 short tender



Additional details and inside views of our current Club model can be found in a special brochure.

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Express train racer with a proud history

The express train racer, road number 03 001, is certainly one of the most famous German steam locomotives. This beautiful machine was not only the first member of the class 03, which was a genuine success story with 298 locos built. Road number 03 001 also captivated young and old alike as an operational museum locomotive up to the turn of the millennium. It belonged to the fleet of the "Dresden Circus Troop", a group of experienced loco engineers who drove their steam mammoths to peak performance like circus trainers. As a result, road number 03 001 became an icon throughout Germany after German reunification – and a television star:

"Johann's Last Shift" is one of the most popular episodes of the German TV series "Eisenbahn-Romantik" (Railway Romance). The main characters were the beautifully maintained road number 03 001 and Dresden locomotive engineer Hans-Jürgen "Johann" Guder, who took "his" class 03 loco out for one final blast down the high-speed line from Dresden to Berlin. Changing times. Although sadly no longer operational in real life, the class 03 loco lives on in miniature as a wonderful Minitrix model that recalls a time when men with faces blackened with smoke and coal adored their machines and mastered them to perfection.



Place your order early to ensure you don't miss the opportunity to enter the extra-special competition!

For more information, visit www.trix.de/clubmodelle



Digital Starter Sets

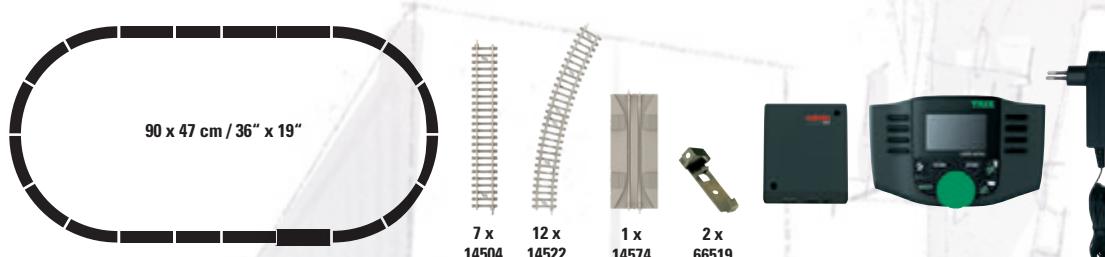


11169 "Freight Train" Digital Starter Set

Prototype: German State Railroad (DR) electric locomotive, road number 243 357-1, B-B wheel arrangement, built from 1984 onwards, and 2 type Rgs 3910 flat cars loaded with three 20-foot mail containers. The train looks as it did around 1990.

Model: The loco has a body and frame constructed of die-cast zinc. The loco has a built-in digital decoder and sound generator for operation with mfx and DCC. It also has a motor with a flywheel, 4 axles powered, and traction tires. The headlights and marker lights change over with the direction of travel. Warm-white LEDs are used, and there is cab lighting and headlight that changes over with the direction of travel. All of the lighting can be controlled digitally. The loco and cars have a close coupler mechanism. The flat cars are loaded with 20-foot mail containers.

The set includes a Mobile Station, a track connection box, a switched mode power pack 230 V/30 VA, and an oval of track with curved tracks of radius 2. Space required: 90 x 47 cm / 35-3/8" x 18-1/2". Total length over buffers 352 mm / 13-27/32".




11167 "EC" Digital Starter Set

Prototype: Swiss Federal Railways (SBB) class 4/4 II electric locomotive, road number 11146. B-B wheel arrangement, built from 1967 for the SBB. Fire-red basic paint scheme, with rectangular lamps and a scissor pantograph. One type Apm express train open seating car (1st class) and one type Bpm express train open seating car (2nd class) of Swiss Federal Railways (SBB/CFF/FFS). The train looks as it did around 2022.

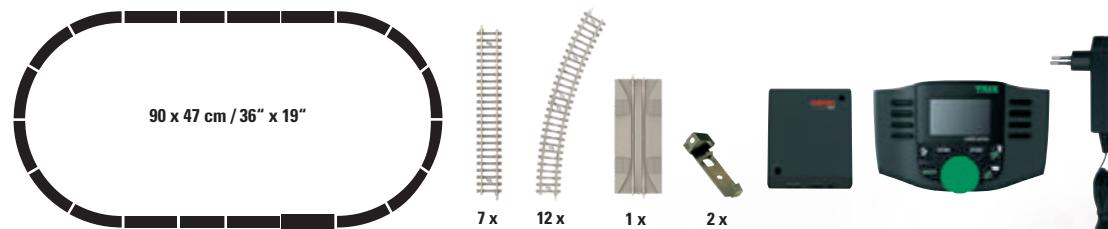
Use: Fast, international passenger trains.

Model: The loco has a built-in digital decoder and sound generator for operation with mfx and DCC. It also has a motor with a flywheel, 4 axles powered, and traction tires. The headlights and marker lights change over with the direction of travel. Warm-white LEDs are used (marker lights can be changed over and switched off), and there is cab lighting. All of the lighting can be controlled digitally. The cars have a close coupler mechanism and are prepared for the retrofitting of interior lighting.

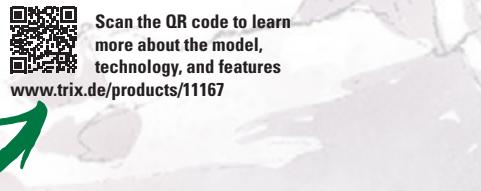
The set includes a Mobile Station, a track connection box, a switched mode power pack 230 V/30 VA, and an oval of track with curved tracks of radius 2. Space required: 90 x 47 cm / 35-3/8" x 18-1/2". Total length of the train over buffers is approximately 423 mm / 16-5/8".

The set can be expanded with the full range of Minitrix tracks with concrete ties.

Compatible interior lighting:
"Warm White" LED Interior Lighting Kit (item 66616).



Locomotive equipped with mfx/DCC decoder and 25 prototypical light and sound functions





11168 "Express Train" Digital Starter Set

Prototype: French State Railways (SNCF) class BB 9231 express electric locomotive with the special "Arzens" paint scheme and two express train couchette cars, 2nd class (B9c9x). The train looks as it did around 1995.

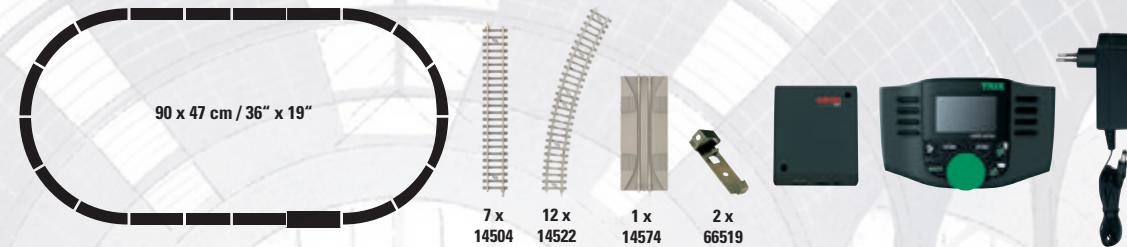
Model: The loco has a built-in digital decoder and sound generator for operation with mfx and DCC. It also has a motor with a flywheel, 4 axles powered, and traction tires. The headlights and marker lights change over with the direction of travel. Warm-white LEDs are used, and there is cab lighting. All of the lighting can be controlled digitally. A close coupler mechanism is fitted. Separately applied grab irons. The headlight changes over with the direction of travel in analog operation. The cars have a close coupler mechanism and are prepared for the retrofitting of interior lighting.



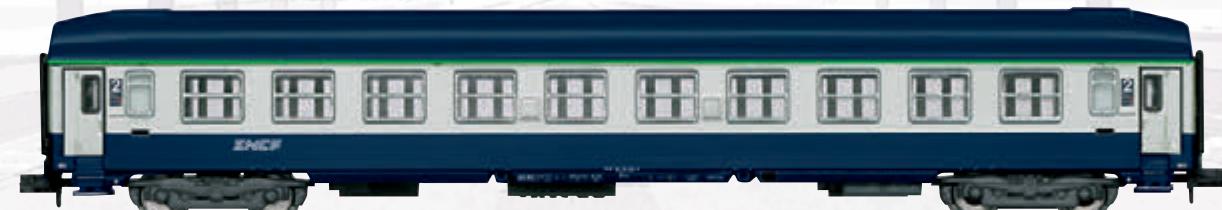
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The set includes a Mobile Station, a track connection box, a switched mode power pack 230 V/30 VA, and an oval of track with curved tracks of radius 2. Space required: 90 x 47 cm / 35-3/8" x 18-1/2". Total length of the train over buffers is approximately 407 mm / 16-5/8".

Compatible interior lighting:
"Warm White" LED Interior Lighting Kit (item 66616).



With 22 light and sound functions



100 years of the class 44

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The restored prototype locomotive is on display at the Märklineum

Right up to the end of steam loco operations at the German Federal Railroad, the oil-fired freight loco, road number 44 1315 (after 1968: 043 315), provided unwavering service, eventually at the depot in Emden, where it mostly hauled heavy ore trains in Emsland. Even on October 26, 1977, the final day of steam operations at the DB, it demonstrated its abilities one more time. At around 2 p.m., under the gaze of numerous photographers, it pulled one of the famous 4000-metric-ton / 4409-short-ton ore trains from the ore depot to the marshaling yard at Emden. On September 12, 2018, it captured the spotlight once again when it arrived amid great fanfare and the applause of numerous onlookers as the new landmark of the Märklineum in Göppingen.



16445 Class 44 Steam locomotive

Prototype: German Federal Railroad (DB) class 44 heavy freight steam locomotive with a type 2'2" T34 standard-design oil tender. Black/red basic paint scheme. Cab with two side windows, standard-design Witte smoke deflectors, pilot truck wheel set with spoked wheels, without smokebox central locking, with inductive magnets on both sides. Loco road number 44 1315. Restored locomotive at the Märklineum, looking as the prototype did around 1963/64.

Model: The locomotive and tender are constructed largely of die-cast metal. The loco has a bell armature motor with a flywheel in the boiler. Five axles are powered by coupling rods; traction tires are fitted. The loco has a built-in mfx-DCC digital decoder and sound generator. The locomotive and tender are close-coupled. Warm-white LEDs are used for the triple headlights, running gear lights, and cab lighting. The triple headlights work in analog operation. There is an NEM coupler pocket on the back of the tender. The smokebox door can be opened. Protective piston sleeves are included. Length over buffers 141 mm / 5-9/16".



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Popular iron horses



16631 Class 41 Steam Locomotive

Prototype: German Federal Railroad (DB) freight steam locomotive, road number 41 308, with a type 2'2 T30 short tender. The loco looks as it did around 1956. This is a version with an older boiler design, closed front skirting, and "Witte" smoke deflectors.

Model: The type 2'2 T30 short tender has new tooling. The locomotive and tender chassis, as well as the tender body, are constructed of die-cast metal. The loco has a

built-in digital decoder and a sound generator with the mfx and DCC formats. Motorized tender, 3 axles driven, traction tires. Firebox flickering is replicated by processor-controlled LEDs (red-orange). Warm-white LEDs are used for the triple headlights, cab lighting, and running gear lighting. The smokebox door can be opened. There is an NEM coupler pocket on the back of the tender. Length over buffers 146 mm / 5-3/4".

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An accessory parts kit with switchman's steps, rail clearance devices, and protective piston sleeves is included.

**With 30 light and sound functions,
type 2'2 T30 short tender and
running gear lighting**





16933 Class E 93 Electric Locomotive

Prototype: German Federal Railroad (DB) class E 93 heavy freight train electric locomotive. Bottle-green basic paint scheme. Road number E 93 07. The loco looks as it did around 1956. C-C wheel arrangement. Nickname "German Crocodile".

Use: Heavy freight trains.

Model: Nose sections of metal-impregnated plastic for improved traction. The loco has a built-in digital decoder and sound generator for operation with mfx and DCC. It also has a motor with a flywheel, 6 axles powered, and traction tires. The headlights and marker lights change over with the direction of travel. Warm-white LEDs are used, and there is cab lighting. All of the lighting can be controlled digitally.

Length over buffers 111 mm / 4-3/8".



LED headlights

Nose sections of metal-impregnated plastic

With 30 light and sound functions



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*The prototype can be viewed at the DB Museum in Koblenz, Germany:
<https://dbmuseum.de/koblenz>*

A legend of the German Federal Railroad



16828 Class 218 Diesel Locomotive

Prototype: German Federal Railroad (DB) general-purpose locomotive, road number 218 209-5. Diesel hydraulic locomotive with electric train heating. The loco looks as it did around 1980.

Model: The loco has a built-in digital decoder and sound generator for operation with mfx and DCC. It also has a motor with a flywheel, 4 axles powered, and traction tires. The headlights and marker lights change over with the direction of travel. Warm-white LEDs are used, and there is cab lighting. All of the lighting can be controlled digitally. A close coupler mechanism is fitted. The headlight changes over with the direction of travel in analog operation. Separately applied grab irons. Length over buffers 102 mm / 4".

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With 28 light and sound functions





18534 Type Byg 514 Passenger Car

Prototype: German Federal Railroad (DB) four-axle type Byg 514 rebuild car, 2nd class. This is a version from around 1976 with a chrome oxide paint scheme.

Use: Commuter and fast passenger trains.

Model: The car has a close coupler mechanism and US-style trucks ("swan neck trucks"). The car is prepared for the retrofitting of interior lighting.

Length over buffers 122 mm / 4-13/16".

Compatible interior lighting:
LED Lighting Kit (item 66638).

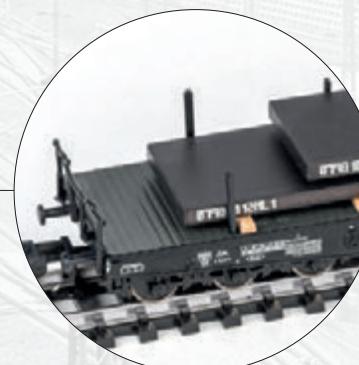


You can form a prototypical train with the class 141 locomotive and the commuter cars from the "Passenger Train" digital starter set (item 11132).

Add-on car for starter set item 11132



Freight load of steel billets



15453 Type Sa 705 Heavy-Duty Flat Car

Prototype: German Federal Railroad (DB) type Sa 705 heavy-duty flat car.

Use: Transport of heavy freight and vehicles.

Model: The car is loaded with reproductions of 3 steel girders. Stakes for mounting on the car are included. The car frame is constructed of die-cast metal. The car has NEM coupler pockets and a close coupler mechanism. Length over the buffers 84 mm / 3-5/16".

Reissue with a new car number



Going on vacation with Hilde

For many years, the German Federal Railroad's older vehicles were not in good condition. When they were no longer required, the cutting torch dismantled them into chunks that could fit into a smelter. Nowadays, there is a division that goes by the name "DB Gebrauchtzug" or DB Used Train. Here, interested customers can lease or even purchase locomotives and cars to manage bottlenecks in their fleet, for example, if vehicles are undergoing maintenance or new vehicles are still experiencing teething problems.

For assistance in these situations, they can contact the "DB Gebrauchtzug" portal, where they will come across illustrious vehicles such as the "Hilde", or road number 111 074, as it is officially known. Wearing the striking color scheme of the legendary "Touristik" train, it used to operate in immaculate condition.

It can be combined with the matching bi-level cars to create a colorful regional train. Now and again, "Hilde" could also be seen at the head of IC cars. Fans of N scale will soon be able to run not only the "Hilde" but also four matching bi-level cars on their layouts.



16727 Class 111 Electric Locomotive

Prototype: German Railroad (DB AG) (DB Used Train) class 111 074-1 general-purpose electric locomotive in the tourist train paint scheme as it currently looks in operation. Loco name "Hilde".

Use: Passenger trains.

Model: The loco has a body and frame constructed of die-cast zinc. The loco has a built-in digital decoder and sound generator for operation with mfx and DCC. It also has a motor with a flywheel, 4 axles powered, and traction tires. The headlights and marker lights change over with the direction of travel. Warm-white LEDs are used, and there is cab lighting. All of the lighting can be controlled digitally. A close coupler mechanism is fitted. Length over buffers 104 mm / 4-3/32".

Cab lighting

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With 28 light and sound functions



Body made of zinc die-casting



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18298 "Tourism Train" Bi-Level Car Set 1

Prototype: 1 x type DBpza 753.5 bi-level intermediate car and 1 x type DABpza 758.5 bi-level intermediate car of the German Federal Railroad (DB AG), operated by DB Used Train. The cars look as they currently do in era VI.

Model: The cars have built-in LED interior lighting and a close coupler mechanism.

Total length over buffers 334 mm / 13-1/8".



LED interior lighting


18299 "Tourism Train" Bi-Level Car Set 2

Prototype: 1 x type DBpza 753.5 bi-level intermediate car and 1 x type DBpbzfa 765.6 bi-level control car of the German Federal Railroad (DB AG), operated by DB Used Train. The cars look as they currently do in era VI.

Model: The cars have built-in LED interior lighting, illuminated destination displays above the cab, and a close coupler mechanism. The control car also has a white/red light changeover function using LEDs and a function decoder that also works in analog operation.

Total length over buffers 334 mm / 13-1/8".



LED interior lighting

Illuminated train destination signs



18298

18299

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Minitrix "my Hobby"



16024 Class 120 Electric Locomotive

Prototype: German Railroad, Inc. (DB AG) class 120 fast general-purpose locomotive. Current paint scheme. B-B wheel arrangement. Built starting in 1987.

Use: Passenger and freight trains.

A hobby is pure leisure time enjoyment for many people. It is the compensation for the daily round of activity. Our line "my Hobby" is tailored exactly to these needs and is aimed at everyone who views their hobby as an escape from the daily grind.

You do not have to do without the proven Minitrix quality for your daily portion of passion. Here Minitrix is offering the right alternatives for those people who pursue their hobby mostly for fun.

Model: The loco has a digital interface. It also has a 5-pole motor with a flywheel, and 4 axles powered. The headlights and marker lights use LEDs, and change ends with the direction of travel. A close coupler mechanism is fitted. Length over buffers 120 mm / 4-3/4".



Transported in safety

VI  NEM

18601 Container Transport Car

Prototype: German Railroad (DB AG) four-axle type Sgn5 unloaded container transport car. Traffic red basic paint scheme. The car is prepared to carry containers from items 66588 and 66589 (60 ft together).



You will find matching containers on page 26.

VI

66581 "Hoppers" Accessory Set

Prototype: Four hoppers for waste material, registered with German Railroad (DB AG).

A matching container car is available as item 18601.



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100 years of the class 01



16080 Class 101 Electric Locomotive

Prototype: German Railroad (DB AG) class 101 express locomotive. Advertising design "100 Jahre BR 01" (100 Years of the Class 01). Locomotive road number 101 127-9. The loco looks as it currently does in 2025.

Model: Metal locomotive frame and body. The loco has a built-in digital decoder and sound generator for operation with mfx and DCC. It also has a motor with a flywheel, 4 axles powered, and traction tires. The headlights and marker lights change over with the direction of travel. Warm-white LEDs are used, and there is cab lighting. All of the lighting can be controlled digitally. The loco has an NEM coupler pocket. Length over buffers 119 mm / 4-11/16".

It was probably the queen of Germany's standard-design locomotives. To honor this steam loco class in suitable style on the occasion of its important anniversary, Märklin came up with a particularly appealing design for a class 101 advertising loco. This class has continuously attracted attention over the years with its gorgeous promotional locomotives. Road number 101 127 is now probably the last promotional loco in this class, whose star is on the wane, to power across Germany at the head of IC and EC trains. This makes it an extremely popular photo subject not only for railroad fans but also for fans of N scale.



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Attractive design celebrating 100 years of the class 01

Cab lighting

21 sound and control functions

Body made of zinc die-casting





15496 "coop®" Container Transport Car

Prototype: Swiss Federal Railways Cargo Business Area (SBB Cargo) type Sgns four-axle container transport car. Loaded with two "coop®" refrigerated containers.

Model: The car has a die-cast metal frame, type Y 25 trucks, with a close coupler mechanism and is loaded with two refrigerated containers.

Length over buffers 123 mm / 4-13/16".

Expands the series of "coop®" cars



18622 Express Train Passenger Car

Prototype: Swiss Federal Railways (SBB/CFF/FFS) type SRm express train passenger car. Open seating car with high viewing windows that extend into the roof.

Current use: International long-distance trains.

Model: A close coupler mechanism is fitted. Length over buffers 165 mm / 6-1/2".



18621 Express Train Passenger Car

Prototype: Swiss Federal Railways (SBB/CFF/FFS) type Bpm express train passenger car. Open seating car, 2nd class.

Current use: International long-distance trains.

Model: A close coupler mechanism is fitted. The car is prepared for the retrofitting of interior lighting. This is a matching add-on car for the starter set, item 11167. Length over buffers 165 mm / 6-1/2".

Compatible interior lighting:
"Warm White" LED Interior Lighting Kit (item 66616).

You can form a prototypical train with the class Re 4/4 II locomotive and the EC cars from the "EuroCity" digital starter set (item 11167).



You can find the matching starter set (item 11167) on page 9.



18979 "Millet" Tank Car

Prototype: This is a four-axle chemical tank car owned by Millet. It is registered in the Netherlands. The car looks as it currently does.

Model: The car has a detailed, partially open frame. It is fitted with type Y 25 trucks. It has a separately attached working platform. It also has a separately attached brakeman's platform.

(Road number corresponds to car 1, car 2, or car 3 from item 18266).

Length over buffers 80 mm / 3-1/8".



Czech Republic



18301 Type Uacs Silo Car Set

Prototype: Six four-axle type Uacs silo cars operated by the railroad company TRANSPORTSERVIS a.s. in Czechia. Three silo cars in the version with straight solebars and three silo cars in the version with "skirting". Four cars with blue and two cars with green containers. The cars look as they did around 2011.

Model: The cars have a close coupler mechanism. Total length over buffers 546 mm / 21-1/2".





16489 Class 3700 Steam Locomotive

Prototype: Union Pacific Railroad (UP) class 3700 "Challenger" heavy American freight steam locomotive in the rebuilt version with an oil tender. This is a version of the locomotive bearing road number 3704. The loco looks as it did during the 1950s.



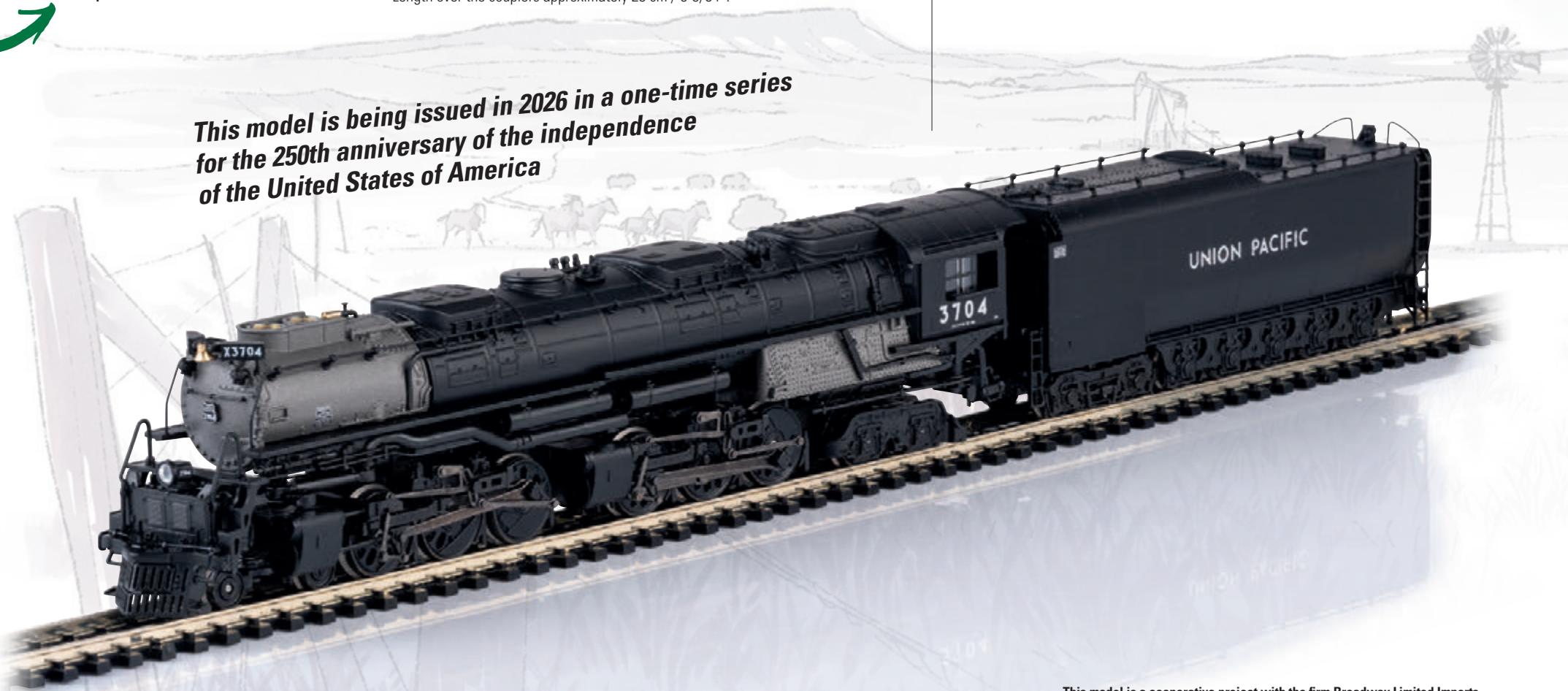
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Model: The model has a digital decoder and extensive sound functions. It also has a controlled high-performance motor. Six axles are powered. The model has traction tires and a smoke generator. The headlight that changes over with the direction of travel, the number boards and the smoke generator will work in conventional operation and can be controlled digitally. The cab lighting can be controlled digitally. Maintenance-free, warm-white LEDs are used for the lighting. The chassis is articulated to negotiate sharp curves. The model has Boxpok wheels. The minimum radius for operation is R2a (261.8 mm / 10-5/16"). Length over the couplers approximately 23 cm / 9-3/64".

Notes for operation: This locomotive can be used on curved track with a radius of 261.8 mm / 10-5/16" or larger, but we recommend larger radius curves. Due to the overhang of the long boiler, signals, catenary masts, bridge railings, tunnel portals, etc. must be mounted to provide sufficient clearance on curves. The track must be well mounted for the high weight of the locomotive. The turntable and transfer table can be traversed by the locomotive but not turned or moved.

*This model is being issued in 2026 in a one-time series
for the 250th anniversary of the independence
of the United States of America*

With 26 light and sound functions



Despite spending many years in the shadow of the world-famous "Big Boys," the "Challenger" locomotives of the Union Pacific Railroad (UP) were no less impressive. During the steam era, the company's trains had to negotiate steep grades and numerous curves on the vital transcontinental route through the Rocky Mountains. Helper and pusher locos were commonly used, especially on freight trains. In the mid-1930s, the UP was looking for ways to rationalize this laborious and expensive mode of operation. The twelve-coupled, rigid-framed class 9000 locomotives had been pushed to the limits of their design. As a result, the UP developed a mighty articulated loco that was intended to achieve new levels of performance by harnessing two engines. The production order was ultimately awarded to the American Locomotive Company (ALCO), which delivered the first of these mammoth 4-6-6-4 units to the UP in 1936. The six driving axles were powered by four cylinders, while two pilot and trailing axles per engine made it possible to install a truly super-powered boiler and a massive firebox. The front engine was articulated, which enabled excellent

performance on curves. From the outset, these gigantic steam locos measuring 37 meters / 121' in length and weighing over 450 metric tons / 496 short tons acquitted themselves extremely well in service. With an output of 5,000 PS / 4,931 hp and a maximum speed of 110 km/h / 68 mph, they were also used to operate heavy passenger services. This brilliant design soon acquired the name "Challenger," most likely to convey the fact that this loco, which was considered ultra-modern at the time, was capable of meeting every challenge.

The UP ended up purchasing 105 "Challenger" locos, which were delivered as the class 3900 in five groups between 1936 and 1944. The locos built from 1942 onwards were modified versions with a power output boosted to almost 6000 PS / 5918 hp and a larger tender. Six units received smoke deflectors, a two-tone paint scheme (pale gray/medium gray), and oil firing at the factory for use on express trains. From 1941 onwards, the UP also converted many of its coal-fired "Challenger" locos to oil firing. To distinguish these locos from the coal-fired machines, several were reclassified as 3700-3717.

Prior to the dieselization of their operating areas, the "Challenger" locos were important pillars of train haulage at the Union Pacific. Based on their high unit numbers alone, they could scarcely be considered as playing second fiddle to the legendary "Big Boys". In addition, the shorter length of the "Challengers" made them more versatile. For anyone interested in paying tribute to the golden age of American railroads with gigantic steam locos on their model railroad, the "Challenger" is a must-have model, especially since many other railroad companies also purchased this successful UP design. It should also be noted that the preserved "Challenger," road number 3985, was the largest operational steam locomotive in the world between 1981 and 2010.



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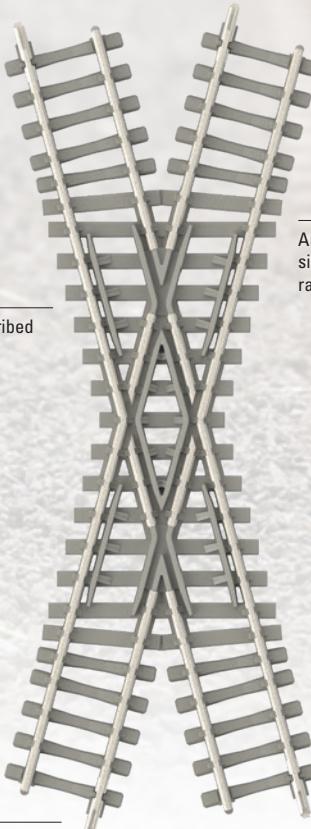
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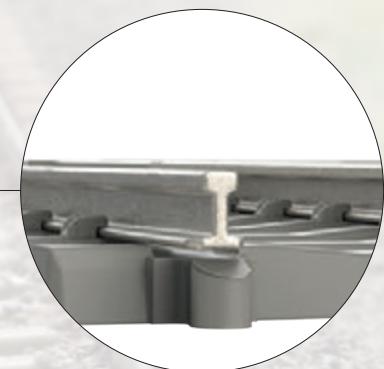
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66588 "Container 40 ft" Accessory Set

Prototype: Four 40-ft. standard box containers from different companies. The containers look as they currently do in era VI.



You can find a matching container car under
item 18601 on page 19.



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66589 "Container 20 ft" Accessory Set

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18226 Minitrix Museum Car 2026

Prototype: Privately owned type G 07 boxcar with brakeman's cab and an advertising inscription for Kleemann, Göppingen, along its sides, registered with the German Federal Railroad (DB). A fictitious design as it might have looked around 1957.

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