

# Ray Charles, On The Atchison, Topeka And Santa Fe

What a lovely trip, I'm feeling so fresh and alive  
And I'm so glad to arrive, it's all so grand  
It's easy to see you don't need a palace  
To feel like Alice in Wonderland  
Back in Ohio where I come from  
I've done a lot of dreamin' and I've travelled some  
But I never thought I'd see the day  
When I ever took a ride on the Santa Fe  
(wanna take a ride on the Santa Fe)  
I would lean across my window sill  
And hear the whistle echoin' across the hill  
Then I'd watch the lights till they fade away  
On the Atchison, Topeka and the Santa Fe  
What a thrill (what a great big wonderful thrill)  
With the wheels a-singin' "westward ho"  
Right from the day I heard them start  
'Cross the Kansas plains from New Mexico  
I guess I've got a little gypsy in my heart  
When I'm old and grey and settled down  
If I ever get a chance to sneak away from town  
Then I'll spend my busman's holiday  
On the Atchison, Topeka and the Santa Fe  
All aboard! (we came across the country lickety-split)  
(rollin' ninety miles an hour), I can't believe I'm here at last  
Woo-oo-ooo! (when you go travellin', it's best for you  
To take the Atchison, Topeka and the Santa Fe!)  
I can't believe that anything could go so fast  
Then you pull that throttle, whistle blows  
A-huffin' and a-puffin' and away she goes  
All aboard for California, hey! [California pronounced "californ-eye-ay"]

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On the Atchison, Topeka and the Santa Fe!