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Unlike most other railroad shows, every working man had his own berth. See photo on left Stock Cars — Railroad History Circus Trains and Carnival Trains Stock cars were 72 feet long and of two basic types. COACHES The 21 coaches are car numbers 40 through 60.

Circus train

Until 1992, the off-season headquarters for the Ringling Bros. Rail cars which carried ring stock were equipped with individual stalls for each horse.

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Circus Flatcars, of the 90-ft. The elimination of canvas, portable grandstands and galley cars proved dramatically economical. The first fully coordinated combine of railroad cars and circus wagons built for each other was waiting for the W.

History of The Old RailRoad With Carnival and Circus Trains

The Red Unit Train consists of a total of 36 cars. Some of these early shows actually had so much surplus equipment crammed into and on the wagons that the sides actually bulged dangerously beyond the sides of the rail cars themselves. It moved by train, but could leave the trackage to reach more remote towns.

The Circus Train

Baggage stock did not have stalls but were loaded side by side, always in the same spot, in each end of the car.

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Eventually, Barnum was to claim it was his own idea, but first he tried to prevent the change. This process might require a half dozen trips. He began skipping small sports and exhibit only in profitable cities.

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