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THE E8 PROJECT

Rapido's all-new model of the E8/9 breaks new ground and promises to be the most accurate plastic model of these iconic locos yet.

EMD's E-8 (and successor, E-9) were the quintessential North American passenger locomotive of the 1950s through the 1970s. 450 E8A and 46 E8B units were produced, with an additional 100 E9A and 44 E9B locos following. The first E8s were delivered in 1949, with the last E9 being produced in 1964. These units pulled passenger trains from coast to coast, and later became the backbone of Amtrak's fleet in its early days. Many were later used in commuter service before being retired. Today several units live on in museums and tourist railroads throughout North America.

The 3D Scan Makes the Difference

What makes Rapido's E8 and E9 models different than every E8 or E9 that has come before? Simple – we're doing it right. We commissioned a 3D laser scan of Union Pacific E8 #942 at the Southern California Railway Museum. A 3D scan ensures that we get those impossible-to-guess contours bang-on accurate.

We followed the 3D scan with months of research, referring to hundreds of photos and numerous blueprints to ensure that we had the correct details for each version of the locomotive that we are offering. That includes different porthole and grille arrangements. For the first time ever in plastic, we're offering E8 models without portholes! Finally, modelers won't have to pay for brass or ruin a factory paint job by filling portholes!

Rapido's E8 model features:

- Both E8A and E8B units offered
- 3D laser-scanned body shell
- Accurate nose and roof contours
- Seven different noses
- Three different back ends
- Two different sides – with and without lifting lug covers
- Three different steam generator options
- 36" fan, 48" fan or non-dynamic brake options
- Single- or dual-headlight configurations
- Freight or passenger pilots
- Three styles of side grills
- Original porthole sides or rebuilt blanked sides (including unique variations)
- Skirted or non-skirted fuel tanks
- Original square, sloped or Hyatt roller bearing journal boxes
- Heavy die-cast chassis
- Smooth running drive system with all wheels powered
- Accurate E8 sounds provided by ESU LokSound
- Complete lighting effects – headlights, class lights, backup lights, ground lights, cab lights and more.
- Numerous road-specific detail parts in both plastic and etched metal.

Below is a list of just SOME of the road-specific detail parts that we are producing...

Four different sand filler hatch styles • PRR Train Phone antenna
 PRR Nose lifting lugs • Southern rooftop air tanks • Southern large-capacity water tanks • UP snow shields • Cab-side walkways (2 styles) • ATS Shoes
 Three different radio antennas • Six different headlight/warning light arrangements
 Various bug screens, mirrors, and wind deflectors • Numerous grab irons
 Many horn styles (in brass).... And more that we've forgotten!



Preliminary CAD renders shown, subject to revision.

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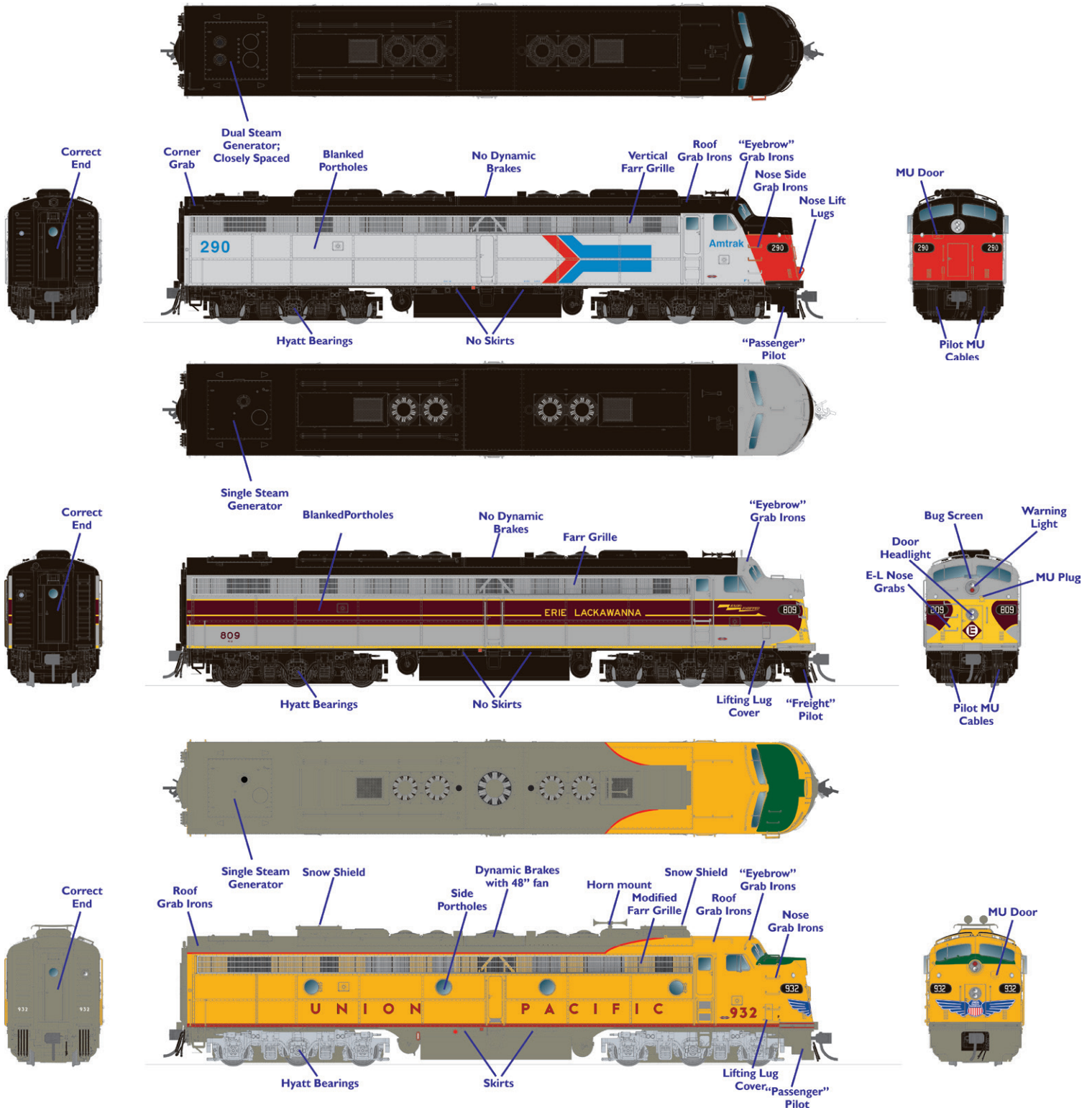


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The Difference is in the Details!

What do we mean by “road-specific details?” Well...



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Amtrak (Phase I)

Details include:

- Blanked portholes
- Single MU door nose, left of headlight
- PRR rear
- Nose-side grab ladder
- Dual steam generator, closely spaced
- No skirts
- No dynamic brakes
- Passenger pilot
- PRR nose lifting lugs
- Hyatt bearing trucks
- Horizontal grill
- Pilot MU hoses

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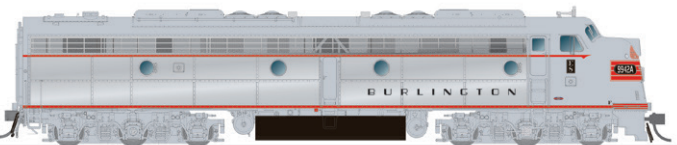


Erie-Lackawanna

Details include:

- Blanked portholes
- E-L MU receptacle
- Freight pilot
- E-L nose grab ladder
- Horizontal grill
- Single steam generator
- Pilot MU hoses
- No dynamic brakes
- Nose door headlight
- Standard rear
- Hyatt bearing trucks
- Cab side lifting lug covers
- No skirts

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Burlington

Details include:

- Side portholes
- Double MU door nose
- Passenger pilot
- Early square bearing trucks
- Dual steam generator, closely spaced
- No dynamic brakes
- Nose door headlight
- Standard rear
- Horizontal grill
- No skirts

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Illinois Central

Details include:

- Side portholes
- Dual MU doors
- Freight pilot
- Cab side walkway
- Modified vertical Farr grill
- Single steam generator
- No dynamic brakes
- Nose door headlight
- Standard rear
- Hyatt bearing trucks
- Cab side lifting lug covers
- Side skirts

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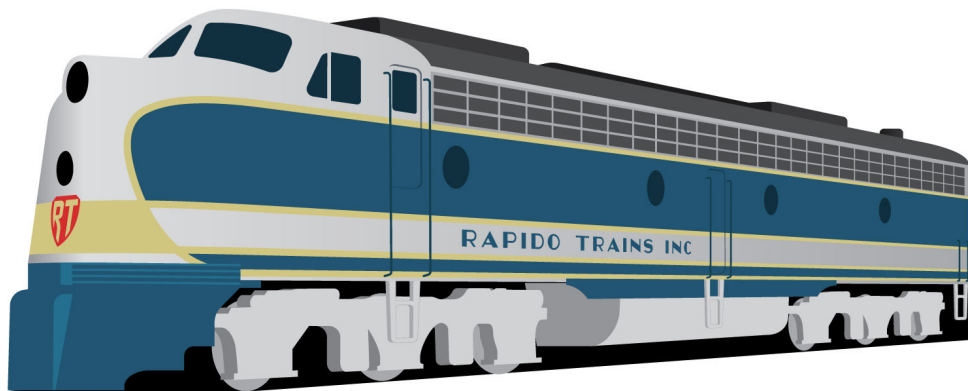
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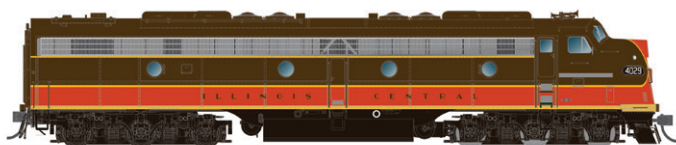
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Illinois Central A+B set

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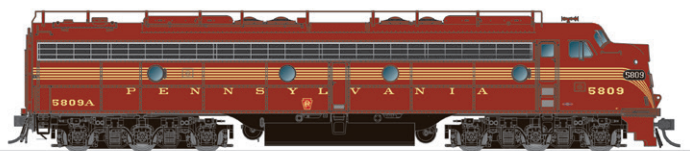


New York Central (Cigar Band)

Details include:

- Side portholes
- Single MU door, right of headlight
- Standard rear
- Hyatt bearing trucks
- Dual steam generator, widely spaced
- Pilot MU hoses
- No dynamic brakes
- Freight pilot
- Cab side walkway
- Vertical Farr grill
- No skirts

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Pennsylvania (Tuscan 5-Stripe)

Details include:

- Side portholes
- No MU door nose
- PRR rear
- Hyatt bearing trucks
- Dual steam generator, closely spaced
- Side skirts
- No dynamic brakes
- Passenger pilot
- PRR nose lifting lugs
- Trainphone antenna
- Horizontal grill

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Southern (Crescent)

Details include:

- Side portholes
- Single MU door, left of headlight
- Standard rear
- Nose door headlight - blanked
- Hyatt bearing trucks
- Dual steam generator, widely spaced
- Cab side lifting lug covers
- Southern air tanks on roof
- No dynamic brakes
- Freight pilot
- Cab side walkway
- Southern sand filler covers
- Vertical Farr grill
- No skirts
- Pilot MU hoses
- Southern water tanks

DC	DC/DCC/Sound	Road Number
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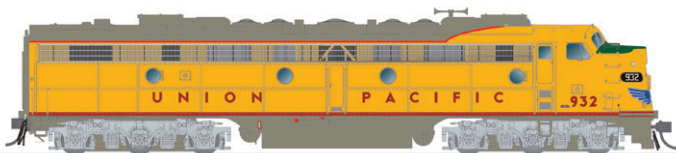
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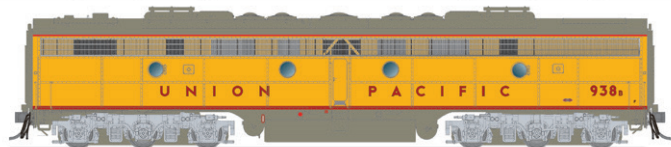
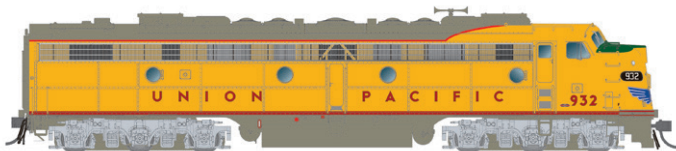


Union Pacific

Details include:

- Side portholes
- Single MU door, right of headlight
- Freight pilot
- Nose side grab ladder
- Modified vertical Farr grill
- Cab side lifting lug covers
- UP roof snow shields
- 48" dynamic brakes
- Nose door headlight
- UP rear
- Hyatt bearing trucks
- Single steam generator
- Side skirt

DC	DC/DCC/Sound	Road Number
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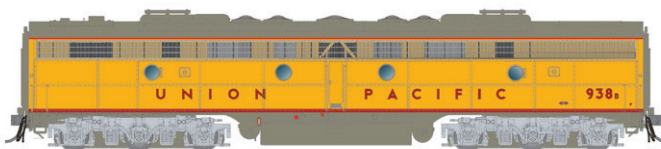


Union Pacific A+B set

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Union Pacific E8B

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A-B Sets: \$429.95 DC/DCC-ready **\$649.95** DC/DCC/Sound - US
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B-Units: \$199.95 DC/DCC-ready **\$309.95** DC/DCC/Sound - US
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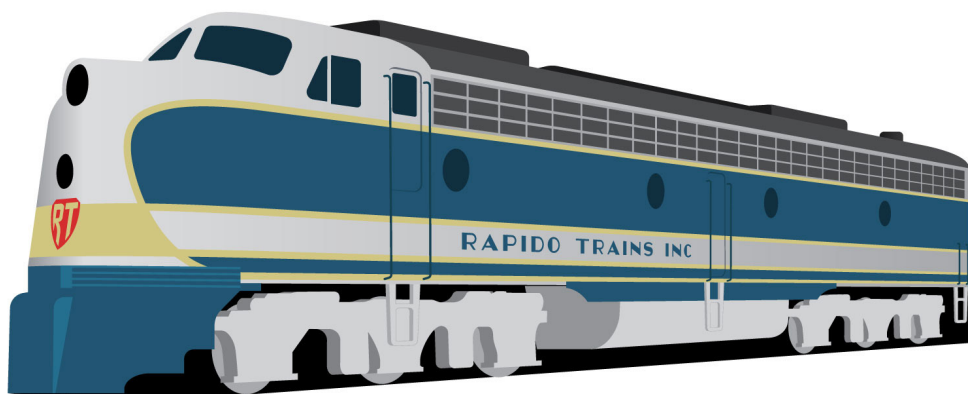
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Accurate E8s, eh?

Canada had a huge fleet of THREE E8 locomotives (one of which was wrecked and never made it to VIA). And they've been released again and again over the last 50 years... all of them wrong. Our models have a host of accurate spotting details, such as the correct horn, proper dual steam generator, era-specific pilot, and unique CP nose grabs where appropriate. But we've gone further: VIA's two E8 locomotives will have operating ditch lights – the only E8 locomotives in our first run to use them.

But wait... there's more! When CP E8 #1800 was painted into Action Red in 1973, the front porthole panels were reversed. This made 1800 – and later VIA 1898 – a unique, “one of one” E8 variation. And... you guessed it: we're tooling 1800's unique portholes. Beauty goal, eh!

It's time to put all your old “not good enough” Canadian E8 models on eBay... and reserve a CORRECT one today!



Kevin EuDaly Collection



Canadian Pacific (Early Maroon)

Details include:

- Side portholes
- Single MU door, right of headlight
- Standard rear
- Horizontal grill
- Dual steam generator, closely spaced
- No dynamic brakes
- Passenger pilot
- Early square bearing trucks
- Side skirt

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Canadian Pacific (Later Maroon)

Details include:

- Side portholes
- Single MU door, right of headlight
- Standard rear
- Horizontal grill
- Dual steam generator, closely spaced
- No dynamic brakes
- Freight pilot
- Early square bearing trucks
- Side skirt

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Canadian Pacific (Action Red)

Details include:

- Side portholes
- Single MU door, right of headlight
- Standard rear
- Horizontal grill
- Dual steam generator, closely spaced
- #1800 has modified porthole spacing
- No dynamic brakes
- Freight pilot
- Early square bearing trucks
- Side skirt
- Canadian nose grabs

DC	DC/DCC/Sound	Road Number
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VIA Rail Canada

Details include:

- Side portholes
- Single MU door, right of headlight
- Standard rear
- Horizontal grill
- Dual steam generator, closely spaced
- #1800 has modified porthole spacing
- No dynamic brakes
- Freight pilot
- Early square bearing trucks
- Side skirt
- Canadian nose grabs
- Operating ditch lights

DC	DC/DCC/Sound	Road Number
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