



# HO TankTrain

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Layout courtesy of the La Mesa Club at the San Diego Model Railroad Museum. San Diego, CA.

## OVERVIEW

These all-new Athearn Genesis models represent 23K-capacity GATX TankTrain cars from the 486-number series (built in 1977), and 282-series (built in 1982). Based upon GATX diagrams, as well as photos and field measurements taken from prototype TankTrain cars at GATX's West Colton repair facility, these new Genesis models faithfully replicate the prototype differences between the two different series', including variations on the tank saddles, walkways, manways, brake rigging, and transfer piping. While these cars are most closely associated with Southern Pacific, TankTrain sets comprised of these cars have been, and can be seen in operation across the country. Grand Trunk Western, for example, operated TankTrain cars from the 486-series in the Great Lakes region, hauling fuel oil, in the late 1970s. And despite construction of a pipeline that eliminated the need for Southern Pacific's original routing of TankTrain equipment, a new TankTrain, operated by Southern Pacific successor Union Pacific along the former SP "Coast Line", operates to this day with many of the same cars, from a loading facility in San Ardo, California, to a refinery in Carson, California.

## MODEL FEATURES

- All-new tooling
- Two GATX classes represented: 282-series and 486-series
- Correct walkways, manways, and load/unload plumbing per series
- Finely detailed walkways with "saw-tooth" tread pattern
- Correct transfer plumbing per prototype series and end (A-end or B-end)
- Full underbody plumbing and rigging
- Detailed, soft vinyl transfer hoses that bend as the car negotiates curves
- Cars available as end unit sets and as individual intermediate units
- Genesis 100-ton roller-bearing trucks with spinning bearing cap detail
- Microscale will be offering a number decal sheet based upon our artwork for the un-numbered cars
- Minimum radius: 18"
- Recommended radius: 22"

## GENESIS FREIGHT CAR FEATURES:

- Fully-assembled and ready-to-run out of the box
- Accurately painted and printed for prototypical realism
- Highly-detailed, injection-molded body
- Separate wireform grab irons, etched metal coupler platforms
- Coupler lift bars, trainline hoses, brake hoses, and hardware
- Full underframe detail: air brake reservoir, control valve, and brake cylinder with plumbing and brake rod details
- Trucks with rotating bearing caps
- Machined metal wheels
- Weighted for trouble free operation
- Wheels with RP25 contours operate on Code 70, 83, 100 rail
- Body-mounted, McHenry operating scale knuckle couplers
- Multiple road numbers
- Window packaging for easy viewing, plus interior plastic blister safely holds the model for convenient storage

**A/B SET \$99.98**

**INTERMEDIATE CAR \$49.98**



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## GATX/Early Large Lettering



Era: 1977 to Present	A and B End Car Set	
	ATHG67800	48651, 48662
	ATHG67822	No number
	Intermediate Car	
	ATHG67801	48652
	ATHG67802	48653
	ATHG67803	48654
	ATHG67804	48655
	ATHG67805	48656
	ATHG67806	48657
	ATHG67807	48658
	ATHG67808	48659
	ATHG67809	48660
	ATHG67810	48661
	ATHG67823	No number

## GATX/Late Small Lettering



Era: 1982 to Present	A and B End Car Set	
	ATHG67811	28239, 28250
	ATHG67824	No number
	Intermediate Car	
	ATHG67812	28240
	ATHG67813	28241
	ATHG67814	28242
	ATHG67815	28243
	ATHG67816	28244
	ATHG67817	28245
	ATHG67818	28246
	ATHG67819	28247
	ATHG67820	28248
	ATHG67821	28249
	ATHG67825	No number