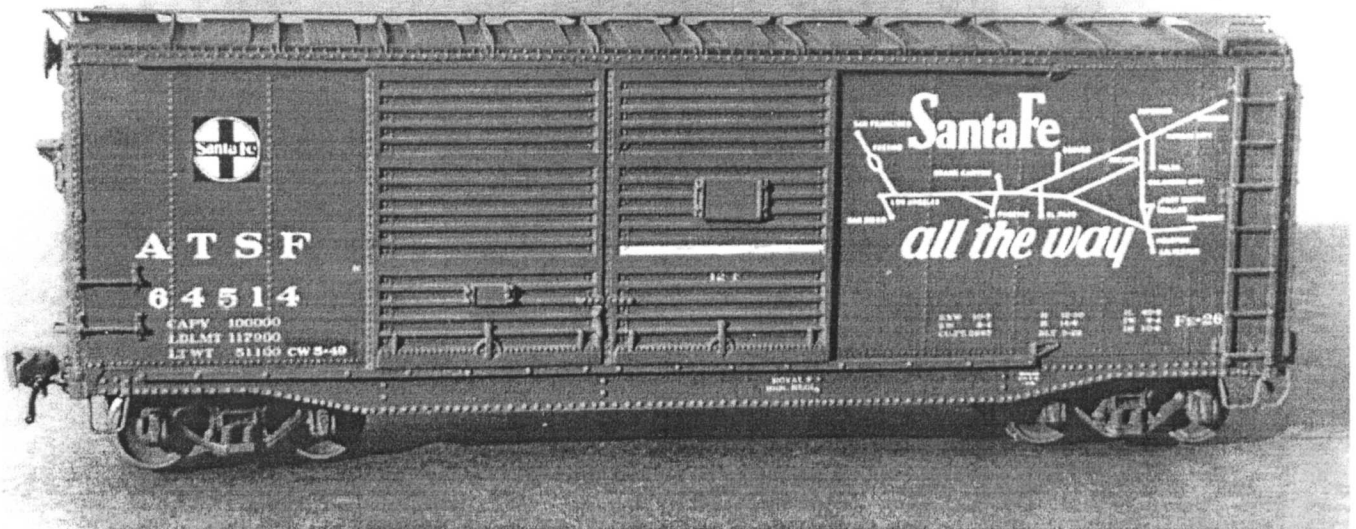




ATSF FE-26 Automobile/Parts Car



The Santa Fe's Fe-26 was an unique class on the road. The cars were built in May 1945, three months before the end of World War II. They came with all the latest features, such as improved Dreadnaught ends and lightweight doors. Since auto racks were not immediately available, the Santa Fe operated them as double door cars assigned to auto service-XA; racks were not completely installed until mid-1948 when the cars were designated XMR. The Fe-26 class was the last of ATSF's 40' autocars, as the road preferred 50' cars for this service. A number of Fe-26s became auto parts cars-XAP, during the 1950s and were renumbered 6410-6534 and 6540-6542. By the late 1950s, the Fe-26s were renumbered 5899-6375 and given over increasingly to parts service.

The space on the right side of the car for the traditional map was not adequate, so a foreshortened map design without

"Ship" was created and stenciled. The Fe-26 also was given a 2' Santa Fe herald. A new proprietary decal set includes the abbreviated map artwork.

The ATSF Fe-26 has been revised and reissued. All the body parts are vacuum cast in gray urethane. Kits include all detailing parts (except trucks and couplers) and an etched Apex walk way is included. Four lettering variations are available, including a proprietary foreshortened map scheme specifically for the Fe-26. The unique 2' ATSF herald is included. The decal sets enable the modeler to letter the car for non-rack equipped, rack equipped and parts rack equipped service. Full instructions and a Prototype Data Sheet are included. Chalkmarks and reweigh decals are available separately. Since auto cars typically ran in blocks of cars, some likely interchange cars are listed below.

- ___Kit#40.1.1R ATSF Fe-26 1945 built double door automobile/parts car, etched r.b., specialty Fe-26 map w/ Grand Canyon dec, (1945-50s), \$42
- ___Kit#40.1.2R ATSF Fe-26 1945 built double door automobile/parts car, etched r.b., specialty Fe-26 map w/ Super Chief decals, (1945-50s), \$42
- ___Kit#40.1.3R ATSF Fe-26 1945 built double door automobile/parts car, etched r.b., Ship and Travel with Chief decals, (1947-60s), \$42
- ___Kit#40.1.4R ATSF Fe-26 1945 built double door automobile/parts car, etched r.b., Ship and Travel with Texas Chief decals, (1948-60s), \$42

Some Interchange cars:

- ___Kit #93.1 NYC 194000-195498 series 10' IH, 1 1/2 door, straight panel roof boxcar, wood roof walk, Roman lettering decals (1930-50s), \$40
- ___Kit #93.2 NYC 194000-195498 series 10' IH, 1 1/2 door, straight panel roof boxcar, wood roof walk, Gothic lettering decals (late '40s-60s), \$40
- ___Kit #93.3 NYC 194000-195498 series 10' IH, 1 1/2 door, diagonal panel roof boxcar, Apex r.b., Roman decals (1948-60s), \$42
- ___Kit #93.4 NYC 194000-195498 series 10' IH, 1 1/2 door, diagonal panel roof boxcar, Apex r.b., Gothic decals (late 40s-60s), \$42
- ___Kit #64.1 NYC 128500-129349, 151000-156128 1936 10' IH parts car, 3/6/6 indented Murphy ends rebuild, '30-'50s decals \$38
- ___Kit #58.3 B&O M-27B or F 10' IH double door, Mansard roof autocar, etched steel roof walk, Kuehler herald white decals, (1934-60s), \$40
- ___Kit #58.6 B&O M-27F 10' IH single door, Mansard roof boxcar, etched steel roof walk, Kuehler herald white decals, (1939-60s), \$40
- ___Kit #44.4 PRR X-37B 1941 10'8" IH autocar, 12' 6" Superior doors, lap seam rf, Alan Wood etched board, round herald decals (1941-50s), \$40

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