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Description

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The Civil War's famous Great Locomotive Chase comes to life with The General train set! On April 12, 1862, James J. Andrew and a group of Union raiders commandeered the South's American 4-4-0, named The General, from the Western and Atlantic Railroad. Their daring plan was to sabotage rebel railroad lines deep behind enemy lines. An alert W&A conductor, William Fuller, noticed the locomotive moving and with two fellow employees was soon in hot pursuit through the mountains of Northern Georgia. They followed The General on foot until they were able to commandeer another locomotive, the Texas, to continue the chase. After many stops to uproot track and cut telegraph lines, The General ran out of wood fuel and water and was abandoned. Andrew's Raiders were later captured outside Chattanooga. Some were able to escape from jail, but eight were hung as spies. The youngest of the Raiders, 19-year-old Jacob Parrott, was the first soldier awarded the Medal of Honor by Secretary of War Stanton. The General train set lets you experience all the excitement of this historic adventure and comes complete with:

- 862 4-4-0 American locomotive with operating headlight and tender
- 865 old time box car
- 866 old time gondola
- 867 old time combine
- 868 quartermaster and telegraph office building
- 869 50" x 38" oval of snap-fit EZ-Track® including 12 pieces of curved track, 3 pieces of straight track, and 1 plug-in terminal resistor
- 864 power pack and speed controller
- 863 illustrated instruction manual