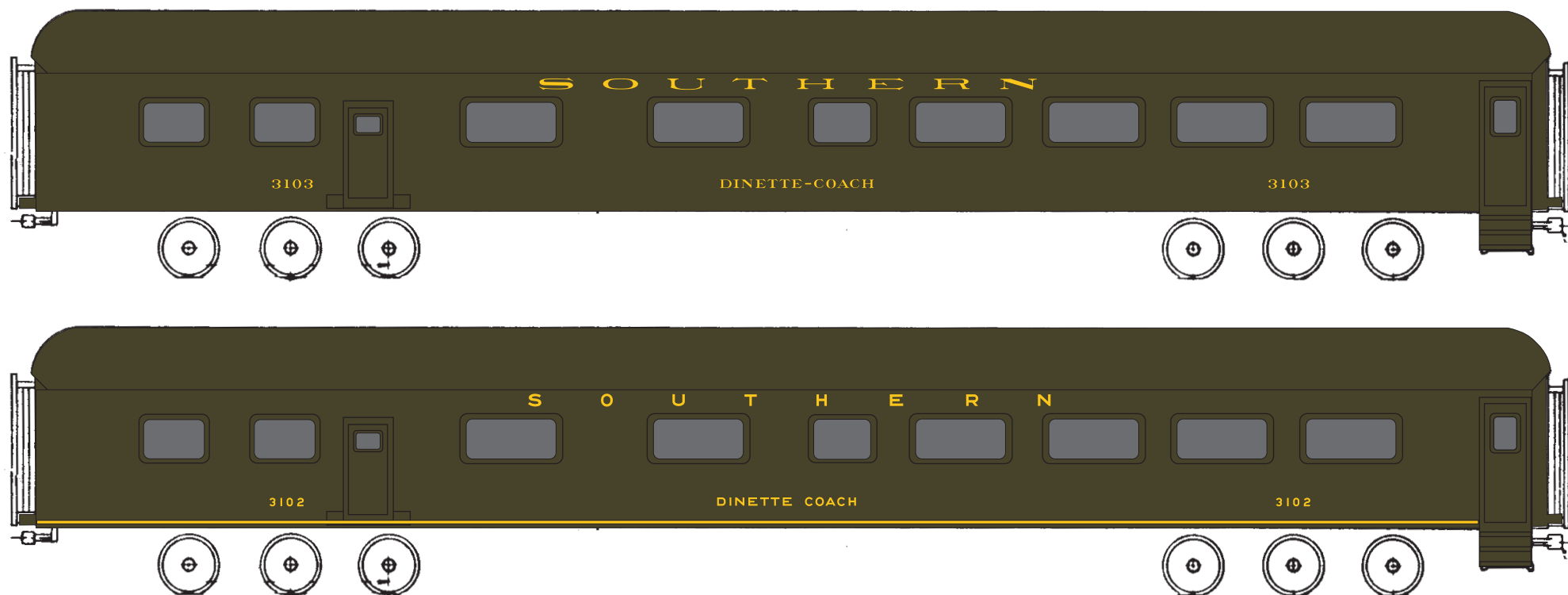


SOUTHERN RAILWAY DINETTE-COACH

REBUILT BY SR FROM OLDER COACHES IN 1948

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In 1948, Southern Railway rebuilt 4 coaches into a dining car/coach combination referred to as a Dinette-Coach. The first of the rebuilt cars # 3103 came from the shop with the older roman style lettering with a “dash” between the words. The other 3 cars were painted using the later block style lettering and no “dash” between the words. Lettering was standard SR passenger car lettering with the roman letterboard being 6 inches tall, with numbers and car name 5 inches. The block style letterboard was 7 inches tall, with numbers and car name 5 inches. Also, the sill stripe was added for numbers 3100, 3101, 3102. The sill stripe was a standard 3/4 inches wide and located about 2” from the bottom of the car. I do not know if car # 3103 was later painted with block style lettering.