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Monocle's top 25 transport innovations include not only the custom-made yachts and private jets we have our hearts set on but also the train stations that are the envy of the world and the humble well-stocked kiosks in Tokyo Metro. Here's a glimpse at the future of getting from A to B.



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#### Best rail hub in development Denver Union Station

Like many cities in America's west, Denver owes its existence to rail – a commitment renewed with the 2013 redevelopment of its Union Station by SOM Architects. The 1914 Beaux-Arts terminal will host five new commuter rail lines along with long-distance trains, an underground bus station and lightrail plaza. The project will span several city blocks and be joined with pedestrian areas in one of the last parcels of land downtown.

"Transit projects such as these provide practical, smart urban infill," says SOM's Kristopher Takacs. "We need to assume a broader view in America and look 25 years down the road with land-use policies." — JH + Two of west Japan's major sations — Osaka and Hakata (Fukuoka) — have been thoroughly revamped, the latter reopening with a new 230-store retail centre attached.