What's Your Line?

Railway companies have historically named specific trains or train services (routes) to raise its profile. Usually, named trains carry prestige for their speed and their limited number of stops between cities. If you're new to train travel in New York and Vermont, here are the named trains you might ride:

Adirondack



A daily service along the Empire Corridor between New York City and Montreal. It takes 10 to 11 hours to cover 381 miles through the Hudson

Valley and the Adirondacks. The train arrives in Montreal or New York City, depending on the direction you're traveling, in time to enjoy dinner.

Empire Service



A service that runs frequently during the day from New York City to Albany, and then west to Niagara Falls, along the 460-mile Empire

Corridor. The name dates back to 1967 when the New York Central Railroad created the service.

Ethan Allen Express



Named for the Revolutionary War hero and one of Vermont's founding fathers, this 241-mile, 5.5-hour service runs between New York

City and Rutland via Albany. It's a great way for skiers and snowboarders to travel to Killington. Between Penn Station and Rensselaer, it operates along the Empire Corridor. In winter, you can also take a Thruway bus from Rutland to Okemo Mountain.

Lakeshore Limited



A scenic, overnight service between Chicago and the Northeast that travels along the Great Lakes and Finger Lakes. It uses the Empire

Corridor in New York. In Albany, it divides, with separate sections heading to New York City and Boston. Amtrak began the service in 1975, though the name dates back to New York Central which pioneered a similar route in 1956.

Maple Leaf



An international service between Penn Station in New York City and Union Station in Toronto that follows the Empire Corridor. The 544-mile

trip, offered daily in both directions, takes 12 hours including two hours for customs and immigration at the U.S.-Canada border.

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