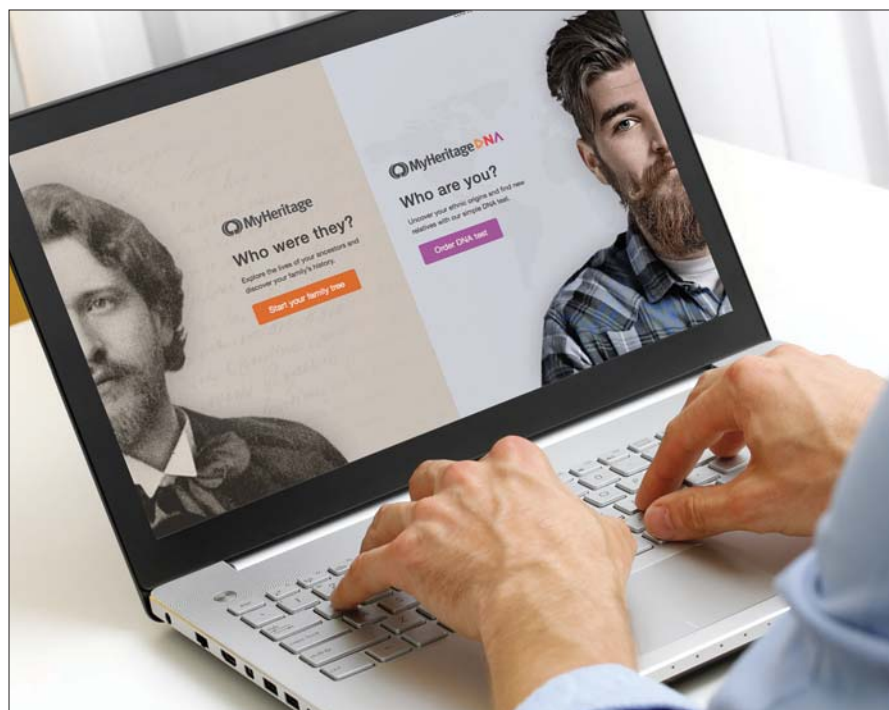


Top Six MyHeritage User Tricks



1 AUTOMATICALLY GET ANCESTOR MATCHES.

If you use MyHeritage's Family Tree Builder software on your computer or you have a MyHeritage online family tree, the site works in the background to find information about your ancestors on MyHeritage. Colored icons by names in your tree indicate two types of matches:

- **Smart Match:** A green icon means MyHeritage has found a matching person in someone else's family tree.
- **Record Match:** An orange icon means MyHeritage has found matches in historical records on the site. To access most of those records, you need a MyHeritage Data Subscription.

RootsMagic <www.rootsmagic.com> and Family Historian <www.family-historian.co.uk> software also offer Smart Matches and Record Matches.

2 SEARCH HISTORICAL RECORDS.

Options for manually searching MyHeritage records include:

- **SuperSearch:** From the Research tab, select "Search all records." To narrow your search, select a category (and sometimes, a subcategory) on the right.

- **By place:** Scroll down and click a region on the map.

- **From your online tree:** Click on a person's name and a profile appears on the left. Click on Research this Person to get results from a search on the name and the years of birth and death.

- **By record collection:** From the Research tab, select Collection Catalog to find a record collection. Use the search box at the upper right to keyword-search collection titles. You can then refine the matches by record type, location and years.

3 SUGGEST ALTERNATE TRANSCRIPTIONS.

You can correct mistranscribed or misspelled names in historical records, or add details (such as a woman's maiden name). When viewing a record match, scroll down and click Suggest an Alternative. Edit the

information, indicate the reason (a transcription error or "Other"), and add notes if desired. Click the Submit button, and your alternate name will become searchable.

4 SAVE RECORDS TO YOUR FAMILY TREE.

Once you confirm a Record Match is good, click "Save to your tree" to automatically save only new information, or click "Extract info manually" to choose which details to save. If you started with SuperSearch, scroll down the page and click on Save Record. Select a family website, search for the name, select the match and click on Save. Hit Continue to extract information from the record to your family tree. When you're done, click Save to Tree.

5 SYNCHRONIZE YOUR FAMILY TREES.

Automatic syncing means that photos, sources or new names added in Family Tree Builder will be reflected in your MyHeritage online tree—and vice versa. Bonus: If you ever let your MyHeritage subscriptions lapse, your data will remain accessible in Family Tree Builder.

To set up Automatic Sync in Family Tree Builder, select Tools>Options>Sync. Make sure "Sync Projects automatically to my sites" is set to Yes. Then click OK.

6 LINK YOUR MYHERITAGE DNA TEST TO YOUR ONLINE TREE.

If you have a family tree linked to your DNA results, MyHeritage will display ancestral surnames that appear both in your family tree and your match's family tree. Your matches also will be able to view your family tree. Link your results to your tree (or relink them to another tree) under the DNA tab> Manage DNA kits.

MYHERITAGE BASICS

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS AT A GLANCE

To register with the MyHeritage website, go to <www.myheritage.com> and click either Start Your Family Tree or Order a DNA Test. You can do a lot with a free Basic MyHeritage membership (see guide below), but a paid subscription lets you take advantage of more of the most helpful search technologies, DNA analysis tools and historical records.

SUBSCRIPTION	COST	BENEFITS
Basic	free	<ul style="list-style-type: none">family tree with up to 250 people and 500 MB of storage (about 500 photos)upload DNA results from AncestryDNA, Family Tree DNA, LivingDNA or 23andMe, view matches and use basic analysis tools (note that DNA uploads after Nov. 30, 2018, will incur a fee)
MyHeritage Premium family site	\$82.50/year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">family tree with up to 2,500 people & 1,000 MB of storage (about 1,000 photos)Smart Matchesadvanced DNA features
MyHeritage Premium Plus family site	\$131.34/year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">unlimited family tree sizesearch family treesSmart MatchesInstant Discoveriesadvanced DNA features
Data	\$119.40/year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">access to 9.1 billion historical recordsRecord Matchessave records to your tree
Complete	\$175.77/year	Includes both the Premium Plus family site plan and a Data subscription

The MyHeritage Tree Consistency Checker tool examines your online tree for potential errors such as siblings born too close together, and married names entered as maiden names.

THREE WAYS TO MANAGE YOUR FAMILY TREE

You can maintain your family tree on MyHeritage.com, use free genealogy software on your computer, keep your tree on a mobile device—or all three. Whichever combination you choose, you can synchronize your online and offline family trees so they're always up-to-date.

- **Online tree:** If you're new to genealogy and MyHeritage, start by registering for free at <www.myheritage.com> and creating a simple family tree. MyHeritage will prompt you to enter information about yourself and your parents. If you've already used genealogy software or an online family tree to organize your family history, you can import a GEDCOM file. MyHeritage online family trees now have most of the features you used to get only with desktop genealogy software.

- **Family Tree Builder:** Available for both Windows and Mac, this free software is powerful and easy to use. You can add stories, photos and record images and document your sources. Then create several reports and outstanding wall charts. You can import and export your family tree via GEDCOM file.

- **Mobile apps:** The free MyHeritage apps for smartphones and tablets are compatible with Android devices, as well as iPhone, iPad and iPod touch. The mobile apps' research capabilities are now on a par with those on MyHeritage.com.

Your MyHeritage Account

Account type _____
Username _____
Password _____
Expiration _____

SEARCHING MYHERITAGE RECORDS

Access the record search under Research>Search All Records (if you're logged in to your account), or go to <www.myheritage.com/research>. The basic search form lets you search for records matching given and last names, year of birth, a place and keywords. Click Advanced Search to add search options for gender, other events, a specific date and relatives.

You can limit your search to a category of records by clicking a collection listed on the right, such as Census & Voter Lists, Military or Family Trees. Categories have customized search forms. For example, you can search Immigration & Emigration Records by date of immigration; and Newspapers, by date and place of publication.

You can leave any field blank, even the name fields. Using the default settings, with flexible date matching and optional place matching, you can search on multiple criteria and the best matches will appear first.

1 Enter first and middle names, if you know them. Click Match Name Exactly for a popup menu of options for restricting your search to

- spelling variants
- matching initials
- names starting with letters you specify

By default, the search finds exact names, spelling variants and matching initials, plus records for which the name isn't a strong match, but other criteria are.

The screenshot shows the 'Welcome to SuperSearch™' interface with 9 numbered callouts pointing to specific search fields:

- 1: First and middle name(s) field containing 'george'.
- 2: Last name field containing 'depenbrock'.
- 3: Birth event type dropdown menu.
- 4: Birth date fields (Day, Month, Year) containing '1836'.
- 5: Birth place field containing 'Germany'.
- 6: Any event type dropdown menu.
- 7: Keywords text input field.
- 8: Exact search checkbox.
- 9: With translations checkbox.

Other visible fields include Gender (Any), Match name exactly, Match similar names, Match exactly +/- 5, Match optional, Match flexibly, Spouse relative type, First and middle name(s) (Anna), Last name, Match similar names, Clear form, and Search buttons.

MyHeritage Advanced Search Form

2 Enter a last name and click Match Similar Names for a popup menu of options to restrict your search using one of several systems for catching names that sound like the one you searched, but are spelled differently. If you can't find a name in records where you think it should appear, experiment with these options:

- the exact spelling
- Daitch-Mokotoff Soundex, especially useful when searching for Slavic and Yiddish surnames
- Regular Soundex
- Megadex
- Metaphone3
- refined Soundex
- metaphone
- double metaphone
- names starting with letters you specify

3 Under Events, you can select a specific event from birth, death, marriage, residence, immigration or military. Or leave at "any" to find records related to any event during your ancestor's life. Click to add more events, if desired.

4 For the event you entered, enter a date (a year is fine) when you think the event occurred. You can look for records that exactly match that date, "flexibly" match that date (a broad search with the closest matches ranked higher in your search results), or match within a range of 1, 2, 5, 10, or 20 years.

5 For the event you entered, add the place where you think it occurred. You can choose Match Optional (a broad search that ranks closer matches higher in your search results) or Match Required, which means the place in your search results must match the place you entered.

6 You can add the names of your target ancestor's father, mother, siblings, spouse, children, or "Any" relative who might appear with him in records. This is especially helpful for finding census records and family trees.

7 Optionally, enter keywords that might appear in the target ancestor's records. Terms closely associated with the person might be an occupation, school or ship he traveled on. If you're researching a topic, not a specific family or person,

you can search on keywords alone. Put quotation marks around words to search on them as a phrase.

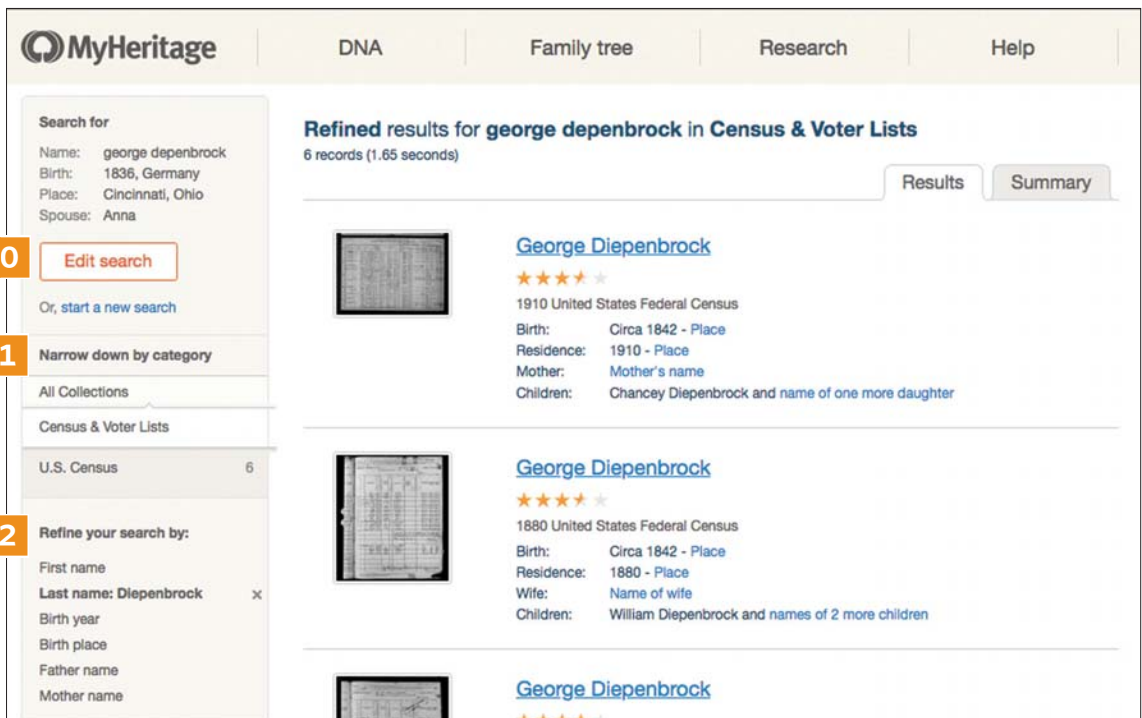
8 Checking Exact Search requires records in your search results to have names, dates, places and other information exactly matching what you typed. Use with caution, as this may eliminate valuable results.

9 MyHeritage automatically finds foreign-language records with names that translate to the one you entered, even in different alphabets. Click here to turn off this feature.

10 On the results screen, click Edit search to change your search terms.

11 The results screen also lets you view matches by category, such as Census and Voter Lists. Click All Collections to once again view all matching records.

12 Filters let you view results by the name, birth year, birthplace, and parents' names that appear in your search results in your results. Click the X by a filter to remove it.



MyHeritage Search Results

MyHeritage
made waves in 2006
with its celebrity look-
alike feature, now part
of the MyHeritage
mobile app.

MYHERITAGE MAJOR RECORD COLLECTIONS

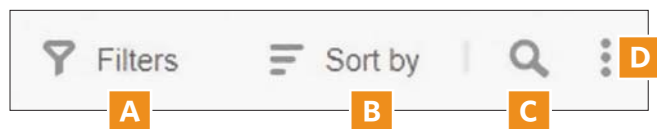
- **US censuses:** 1790-1940
- **Canadian censuses:** 1851-1916
- **English and Welsh censuses:** 1841-1911, 1939 Register
- **Irish censuses:** 1901-1911
- **Scottish census extracts:** 1841-1861
- **English and Welsh civil registration indexes:** 1837-2005
- **Church baptism, marriage and death indexes:** England, Germany, Mexico and elsewhere (many are from the free FamilySearch website)
- **Family trees:** MyHeritage (2.9 billion profiles), FamilySearch Family Tree (915 million profiles), Geni World (276 million profiles) and others
- **Immigration records:** passenger lists for US ports, Passenger & Immigration Lists Index, various naturalization record indexes and/or record images
- **Military records:** Revolutionary War pension records index; Civil War service records index; WWI draft registration records; WWII army enlistment records
- **Newspapers:** various publications from the US and Australia
- **Published sources:** family and local histories, city and county directories, high school and college yearbooks, genealogical journals (these are free to view)
- **US Public Records Index:** index to various public records spanning 1970 to 2010

MYHERITAGE AUTOMATED SEARCH TECHNOLOGIES

	WHAT IT DOES	HOW TO ACCESS
Instant Discoveries	Shows you “packages” of family history information you can apply to your family tree. These may be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Person Discoveries: With a match in another family tree, this lets you copy a branch with up to 50 people into your tree with a single click. • Photo Discoveries: This lets you add up to 10 photos to a person’s profile in your tree with one click. 	From the Discoveries tab, select Instant Discoveries.
Record Detective	Looks to see if a record attached to one of your ancestors is also connected to other people in MyHeritage family trees. If so, it checks to see if records and people linked to those people also pertain to your ancestor.	Click on a match in your SuperSearch results and scroll down.
Record Detective II	An improved version of Record Detective, this finds record-to-record matches. Once your ancestor is found in a historic record, Record Detective II uses that information to find your ancestor in other records.	Click on a match in your SuperSearch results and scroll down.
Record Matching	Automatically finds matches between people in your family tree and historical records on MyHeritage. View all your matches under the Discoveries tab.	Click on the orange Record Matches icon beside a name in family or pedigree view in your tree.
Search Connect	Lets you connect with other MyHeritage members researching the same people as you. SuperSearch includes results from Search Connect.	To search just Search Connect, select Research> Family Trees> Search Connect.
Smart Matching	Automatically finds matches between people in your family tree and people in other family trees on MyHeritage.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • View all your Smart Matches: Hover over the Discoveries tab and select either Matches by People, or Matches by Source. • View Smart Matches for a person in your tree: Click on the green Smart Matches icon beside the name in Family or Pedigree view.
SuperSearch	Searches more than 9 billion historical records, family tree profiles and photos at once.	From the Research tab, select Search All Records.

Analyzing MyHeritage DNA Matches

TOOLS FOR DNA MATCHES



A Filter your matches by various criteria, such as their country of residence and ethnicity.

B Sort your matches by the number of shared segments, the largest segment, full name or matching date.

C Search your matches by name or ancestral surname.

D These vertical dots offer three options:

- **Export entire DNA matches list.** A file of all your DNA matches will be emailed to you as a zipped CSV file. You can open it with a spreadsheet program, such as Microsoft Excel. Saving your matches gives you a permanent record, in case any matches delete their DNA or go private. You can also use the data with third-party programs, such as Genome Mate Pro <www.getgmp.com> and Charting Companion from Progeny Genealogy <progenygenealogy.com>.

- **Export shared DNA segment info for all DNA Matches.** A file of shared segment info for all of your DNA matches will be emailed to you as a zipped CSV file. You can use this information with the third-party program Double Match Triangulator <www.doublematchtriangulator.com>.

- **What are DNA matches?** Click for a short explanation.

A screenshot of a MyHeritage DNA match profile for Bertha Lou Briggs (born Sternberg). The profile includes a profile picture, name, age (80's), and DNA manager (gary briggs). A 'Contact' button is visible. The 'Estimated relationships' section shows '1st cousin twice removed - 4th cousin'. The 'DNA Match quality' section shows 'Shared DNA: 1.4% (97.6 cM)', 'Shared segments: 4', and 'Largest segment: 51.7 cM'. The 'Family tree details' section shows 'Appears in a family tree with 1,984 people, managed by gary briggs from USA' and 'Your family tree has 163 Smart Matches™ with this tree'. A 'View Smart Matches' link is present. At the bottom, there are 'View tree' and 'Review DNA Match' buttons. A chat icon and the number '7' are in the top right corner.

REVIEWING A DNA MATCH

1 Your match's name, age and DNA account manager, if it's someone else. Click Contact to send a message—it's free, even if you uploaded your DNA data from another service or don't have a paid MyHeritage subscription.

2 The estimated relationship is based on the amount of shared DNA. Click on the question mark to see other possible ways you and your DNA Match might be related.

3 DNA Match quality shows three values that indicate your genetic relationship: shared DNA, shared segments and the length of the largest segment.

4 Click to see your match's family tree on MyHeritage, if he or she has one.

5 Click to review Smart Matches with your DNA match (meaning (your trees may have profiles of some of the same people).

6 Click to view ancestral surnames, other DNA matches and ethnicities that you share with this match. You'll also be able to access a chromosome browser that shows your shared DNA segments.

7 Click to add notes about this match, such as how you're related and if you've contacted the person.

8 Free Things You Can Do on MyHeritage

- 1 Maintain a family tree** with up to 250 people and about 500 photos.



- 2 Search the U.S. Social Security Death Index (SSDI)** <www.myheritage.com/research/collection-10002/us-social-security-death-index-ssdi>. This index lists deaths in the United States, mostly occurring after 1962, that were reported to the Social Security Administration.



- 3 Search Billion Graves** <www.myheritage.com/research/collection-10147/billiongraves>, a database of cemetery inscriptions and photos along with GPS location data.

- 4 Use Search Connect** <www.myheritage.com/research/collection-6/search-connect-searches-by-myheritage-members> to find other MyHeritage members who searched for ancestral names that interest you.



- 5 Search the Compilation of Published Sources** <www.myheritage.com/research/collection-90100/compilation-of-published-sources>, made up of almost a half-million books, including family and local histories, city directories and journals. To use it, you have to be a registered user, not necessarily a paid subscriber, and logged into your account.



- 6 Create a health family tree.** Introduced in 2018, this feature is initially available to MyHeritage users who've taken a MyHeritage DNA test or uploaded DNA data to MyHeritage, and who manage a family tree with at least seven people in it. To get started, hover your mouse over the Family Tree tab, click on More and then on Health Family Tree. After answering questions about your close relatives' health, medical conditions, allergies and physical traits, print or download your Health Family Tree to share with your doctor. See Health Family Tree Q&As at <faq.myheritage.com/Family-Site/Health-Family-Tree>.

- 7 Search historical records** with MyHeritage Library Edition at Family History Centers and subscribing libraries. (You can find a Family History Center near you at <www.familysearch.org/locations>.) If your public library subscribes, you can access MyHeritage Library Edition from home by logging in via your library's website.

- 8 Get DNA Matches.** If you've already taken a DNA test with AncestryDNA, Family Tree DNA or 23andMe, you can upload the DNA data to MyHeritage <www.myheritage.com/dna/upload> and see your matches. After Nov. 30, 2018, matches will remain free, but MyHeritage will charge a fee for DNA uploads and other advanced features.

Click Family Statistics in your MyHeritage tree for fun facts like most common names, numbers of men vs. women, oldest relative and more.



Timeline

2003	Entrepreneur and genealogist Gilad Japhet founds MyHeritage from his home near Tel Aviv, Israel.
2006	MyHeritage acquires Pearl Street Software, along with the technology behind Family Tree Legends software and the GenCircles website.
2008	MyHeritage acquires Kindo, a UK-based family tree building service.
2010	OSN Group, a network of genealogy sites based in Germany, becomes part of MyHeritage.
2011	MyHeritage acquires the Dutch family network, Zooof.
2011	MyHeritage acquires FamilyLink, owner of WorldVitalRecords.com (which was launched by Ancestry cofounder Paul Allen).
2012	MyHeritage acquires Geni, a website with the goal of creating a global family tree.
2013	MyHeritage partners with FamilySearch to share records and technology.
2014	MyHeritage partners with Billion Graves to document gravestones around the world, launching the effort by taking 80 MyHeritage employees to digitize Segula Cemetery in Petah Tikva, Israel.
2016	MyHeritage DNA launches. The company also announces TribalQuest, an initiative to record the family histories of remote tribal people.
2017	MyHeritage acquires the Legacy Family Tree software and webinar platform, promising to release a version of the software that syncs with MyHeritage trees.
2018	The company gives away 15,000 free MyHeritage DNA kits to help adoptees and their birth families reunite. It also offers free DNA testing services to reunite migrant families separated by US border patrol agents.

RESOURCES

MyHeritage Quick Links

- Home** <www.myheritage.com>
- Family Tree Builder software** <www.myheritage.com/family-tree-builder>
- Help Center** <www.myheritage.com/help-center>
- Mobile Apps** <www.myheritage.com/mobile>
- MyHeritage Blog** <blog.myheritage.com>
- MyHeritage DNA** <www.myheritage.com/dna>
- Subscription pricing** <www.myheritage.com/pricing>
- SuperSearch** <www.myheritage.com/research>
- Upload DNA** <www.myheritage.com/dna/upload>

Contacting Help

- Online:** Search the Help Center at <www.myheritage.com/help-center>.
- Phone, from the United States and Canada:** Call toll-free 1-800-MYHERITAGE (1-800-987-9000) 24 hours a day
- Phone, from outside the United States and Canada:** See <www.myheritage.com/contact-myheritage> for a list of phone numbers and hours of operation by country. Phone support is provided in 19 languages.

Learning Resources

- FamilyTreeMagazine.com: MyHeritage DNA video class** <familytreemagazine.com/store/my-heritage-dna-r8758>
- FamilyTreeMagazine.com: MyHeritage news updates** <familytreemagazine.com/articles/genealogy-websites/myheritage>
- Legacy Family Tree webinars about MyHeritage** <familytreewebinars.com/myheritage>
- “MyHeritage Part 1” video by James Tanner** <www.youtube.com/watch?v=ITe5CHWZ4tc>
- “Making the Most of MyHeritage.com” video by James Tanner** <www.youtube.com/watch?v=0v0fbjil9W8>
- MyHeritage Learning Center** <www.myheritage.com/learn>
- MyHeritage YouTube channel** <www.youtube.com/channel/UCT_enUFr_ZjlfuA6s55y_Lw>