

Squeezing All the Info Out of Your Matches

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Near the top of your match list, you've got this mystery match that just might be the key to your research. The only problem is: they don't have a visible tree and they didn't respond to the message you sent two years ago. But that doesn't mean that you should give up!

Outline

- Introduction
- What they show vs. what we can know
- Pitfalls
- Tips

Recommended Reading

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Public Data Aggregation

BeenVerified.com

Canada411.ca

Skipgenie.com

Spokeo.com

Whitepages.com

Zabasearch.com

Social Media

Facebook

Instagram

LinkedIn

Pinterest

Twitter/X

Match Identification Sheet



Estimated Relationship:
Shared cM :
AncestryDNA
23 & Me
MyHeritage
FTDNA

Screen Name:
Screen Name Fragment Possibilities:

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Photo
Reverse Image Search
Clues in Photo
Employer:
Hobbies:
Interest Groups:
Places/Location:

MRC A Group:

Contact Information:
Email:
Phone:
Address:

Initials:
First Name:
Alias/Nickname:
Former Surname:
Current Surname:
Spouse Name:
Age:
Birth Date:
Birth Place:

Father's Name:
Birth Date:
Birth Place:
Death Date:
Death Place:

Grandfather Info:
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Mother's Name:
Birth Date:
Birth Place:
Death Date:
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