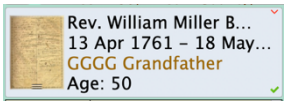
Suggested Uses for Relatives & Relationships Features in Reunion for Mac

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iImmediately know how you are related to someone in your Reunion file

Show **Relationships in Family View**.



- **Choose** *Settings*, click *Family View.*
- **Select** *Children, Couple, or Parents*

For Couples:

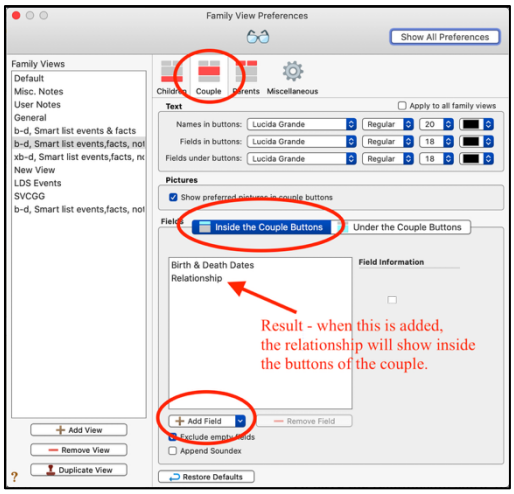
- Choose to show relationship *inside* or *under* couple buttons.
- Choose *Add Field* at the bottom.
- Choose *Relationship.*

For Parents:

- Choose *Stacked or Side by side*
- Choose *Add Field* at the bottom.
- Choose *Relationship*.

For Children:

- Under buttons, check or uncheck *Buttons in a list.*
- If *Buttons in a list* is checked, select Relationship from the drop-down to the right.
- If *Buttons in a list* is not checked, you'll have a stacked view.
  - Choose *Add Field* at the bottom.
  - Choose *Relationship.*



Show **Source Person**

- **Click** the down arrow in the upper right of a person's button;
- **Choose** *Find Relatives*
  - A list of relatives will show in the sidebar
  - That person is now the source person.
  - You can also do this by dragging the person's button to the Relatives button in the left sidebar, or to the one on the right.
  - The relationship will be calculated on the fly when new people are added.

Visually show how you are related to someone in your tree.

Example: Once people are entered in your database with their ancestors, you can find the relationship of any two people, if any, show their common ancestor, and create a chart to show how they are related, all with one feature.

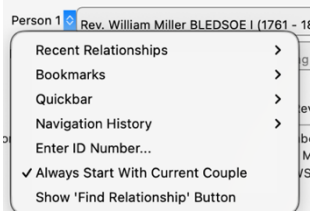
Start with the *Family View* for someone in your file.

Choose *Find>Find Relationship* in the left NavBar (magnifying glass).

Click and the panel will show the relationship and chart of the two people in the current family view (or the people from the last time you searched this).



Drag, from the sidebar to the spots in the panel, the names of the other people whose relationship you want to show. The relationship and common ancestor will show, plus a relationship chart.

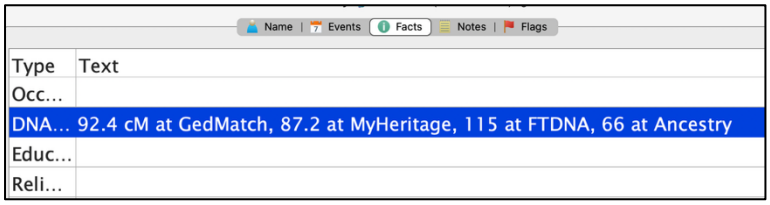


Another way, besides dragging from the sidebar, is to use the **blue menu** buttons to **select** people from a drop-down list. (Also, mark *Always Start with Current Couple*)

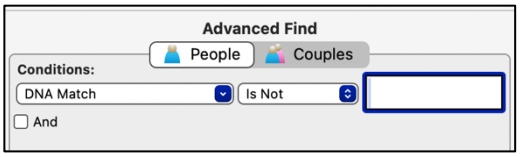
Visually show relationship to a new DNA relative.

Example: Using Find to Show How DNA Matches Are Related

First, create a new Fact for DNA Matches (*Help > Contents > Adding Facts*). When you find a match on Ancestry, FTDNA, 23 &Me, or MyHeritage, go to Fact section of the Family View for that person, add the DNA Match fact, and enter the information – such as supposed relationship, # of cM, which test, etc.



Next, go to *Find>Advanced Find* in the left NavBar (magnifying glass). In the panel choose *People*, then choose *Condition > Facts >DNA Match* and enter *Is Not.* Leave the text section blank. A list of all of people who have something in your DNA Match Fact will show in the right-hand list.



Next, go again to the *Find* in the left NavBar (magnifying glass); this time choose the *Find Relationship* section (described above).

Enter yourself and one of the matches and find their relationship. This will only work if you have entered all of their ancestors as well as your own, back to your common ancestor (which you hopefully retrieved from their tree when you found the DNA match).

Click and the relationship and common ancestor will show, along with a chart showing the relationship.

Extra Credit: Make a more elegant chart showing that relationship. Mark all the people between you and your common ancestor and between your DNA match and your common ancestor. Go to your common ancestor, choose *Chart>Marked Descendants Only* and an editable chart will be drawn showing how you are related. (To learn more about Charts, see *Help > Contents > Descendant Charts*)

What were your ancestors doing in 1776?

- All ancestors were somewhere in 1776.
- Some were Patriots, some were Loyalists,
- Some lived elsewhere and made other contributions.
- Find the possible people in Reunion for a specific time period.

Example: Use Reunion to find who was active in the American Revolution (or anywhere in the world).

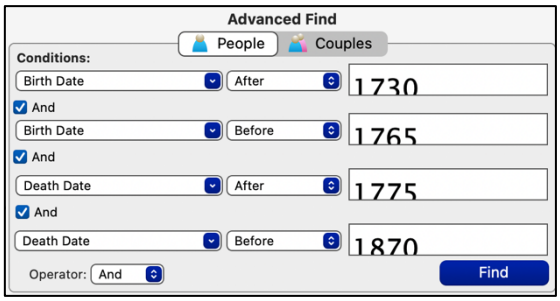
For the American Revolution, use these dates, depending on your query; adjust as appropriate:

- **Birth Dates: 1700–1775**
  - 1730 and 1765 – Adults and soldiers active during the war
  - Children born during or just before the war would have birth years up to 1783
- **Death Dates: 1775–1850+** (While some soldiers died during the conflict between 1775 and 1783, many lived long lives afterward; last surviving veterans died in 1860s)

Example: **Adults and active soldier**s

Choose *Find>Advanced Find* - Conditions:

Birth Date after 1730
Birth Date before 1765
Death Date after 1775
(Death Date before 1870?)
(Person marked?)



Similar search for the US Civil War

Birth Dates: adults and active soldiers 1811-1848, children born during or just before – up to 1865; 1791 to 1854 for older adults, commanders, officers, underage teenagers

Death Dates: combat: 1861-1865

Post war: 1865-1956

Example: Adults & active soldiers

Choose *Find>Advanced Find*

Conditions:

Birth Date after 1811
Birth Date before 1848
Death Date after 1860
(Death Date before 1957?)

Similar search for relatives who died 1918-1919, who might have been affected by the Spanish flu.

Death Dates: 1818-1920

Example: Find people who died in the time period

Choose *Find>Advanced Find*

Conditions:

Death Date after 1918
Death Date before 1920
Person Marked (use Marked Relatives)

BYU Website: shows records found in FamilySearch Family Tree of those who died in the 1918 pandemic.
https://pandemic.familytech.byu.edu