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# Downloading Your DNA Data (Matches) From Ancestry.com

From Ancestry.com

## DNA Data

### Download DNA Data

1. If prompted, sign in to your Ancestry® account.
2. To download the DNA Data for a test on your account, in the "Your DNA tests" section, select a **name**.
3. Check the box confirming that you understand that once you download your DNA Data, your downloaded copy will not be protected by our security measures, and select **Confirm**. This will trigger an email (to the email address associated with your Ancestry account) containing a link to confirm your download. It may take up to 24 hours for the email to arrive. The link will expire after 7 days.
4. Enter your password and select **Continue**.
5. When you receive the email, open it and click **Confirm Data Download**.
6. On the Download DNA Data page, click **Download DNA Data**. If prompted, sign in to your Ancestry® account. If you're brought to a page of DNA advertisements rather than the Download DNA Data page, you may be in someone else's account. Select the **name or username** in the top-right corner to sign out, then sign in to your account.
7. The file will be downloaded to your computer. The filename will be **AncestryDNA.txt**. If you can't find it, check your Downloads folder or your Desktop. You can also search for the filename (if you have a PC) by clicking the Windows key **⌘** on your keyboard and entering the filename in the search bar that appears, or (if you have a Mac) by clicking the Spotlight icon **🔍** in the top-right corner of your screen and entering the file name in the search field that appears.

[https://support.ancestry.com/s/article/Requesting-a-Download-of-Your-Account-Data?language=en\\_US](https://support.ancestry.com/s/article/Requesting-a-Download-of-Your-Account-Data?language=en_US)

1. Go to the DNA Navigation Tab at the top of the window:

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Ancestry.com website. The 'DNA' tab is highlighted with an orange box. An orange arrow points from the 'DNA' tab to the 'Settings' button in the top right corner of the page. The page also displays a user greeting 'Hello, Christine' and a notification about updated DNA traits sharing permissions.

2. Click on Settings
3. Scroll to the bottom of the page

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DNA Settings > Christine Burke

### Christine Burke

#### Test details

|                       |                               |   |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Test name             | Christine Burke               | > |
| Date of birth         | ██████                        | > |
| Sex assigned at birth | Female                        | > |
| Gender representation | Female labels (like daughter) | > |

### Download or delete

You can download this DNA data or permanently delete this test.

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| Download DNA data | > |
| Delete DNA test   | > |

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4. Click to expand the arrow next to “Download DNA data”.
5. The screen will appear with instructions and permissions, like below:

### Download DNA test

You can download a .zip file of your DNA Data. Downloaded data is subject to [AncestryDNA Terms and Conditions](#) and [AncestryDNA Privacy Statement](#). [What is DNA Data?](#)

I understand that after I download my DNA Data, it will no longer be protected by Ancestry and I will assume all risk of storing, securing, and protecting this information.

[Continue](#) [Cancel](#)

6. Once you have initiated this process, the system will notify you when your file is ready. You will want to save the file to your computer (know where to find it because you will need it).

7. It looks like a Zip File:



You will need this Zip file to upload to any other services you might wish to utilize.

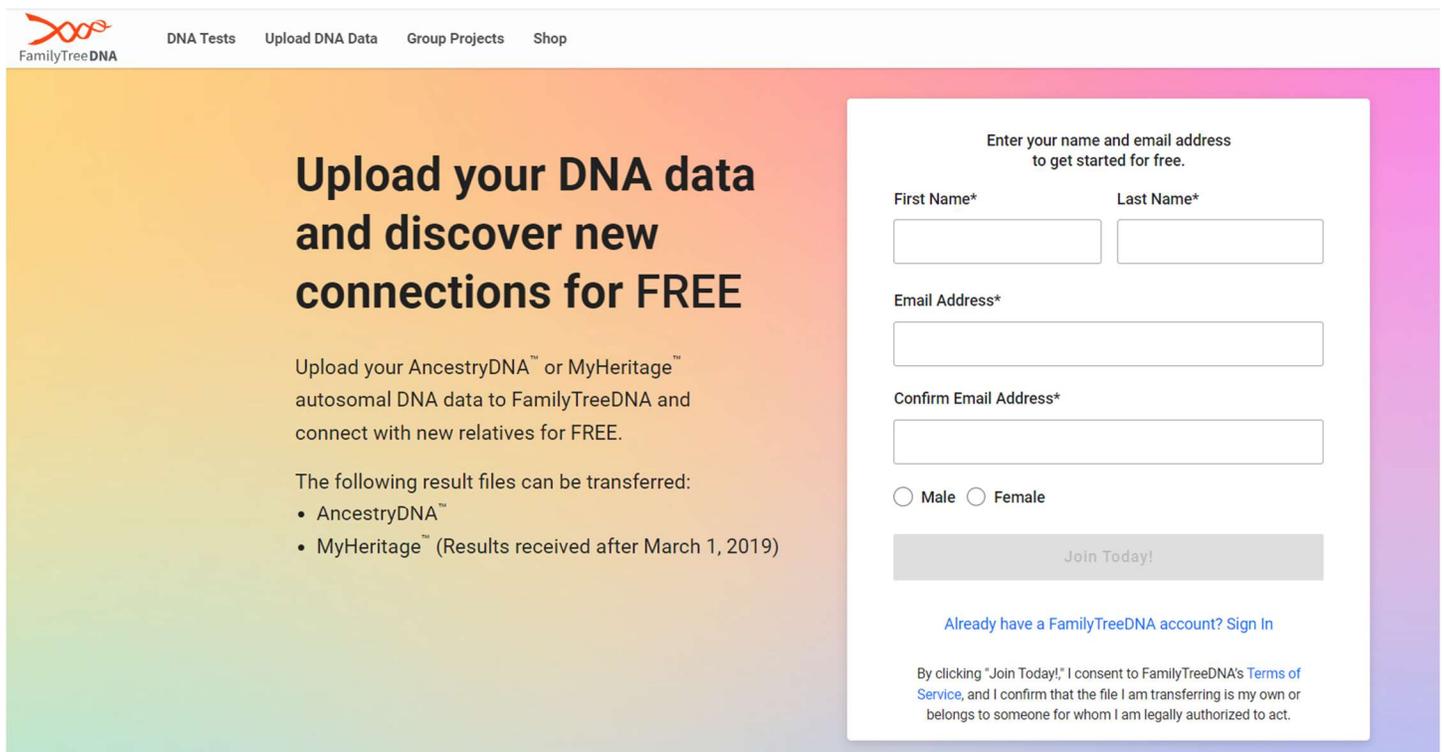
If you would like to help make law enforcement matching easier for us, with suspects and unknown human remains identification, we would ask you consider uploading to [GEDmatch.com](https://GEDmatch.com) and [FTDNA.com](https://FTDNA.com).

See the following pages for how to transfer.

# Uploading To Family Tree DNA (FTDNA):

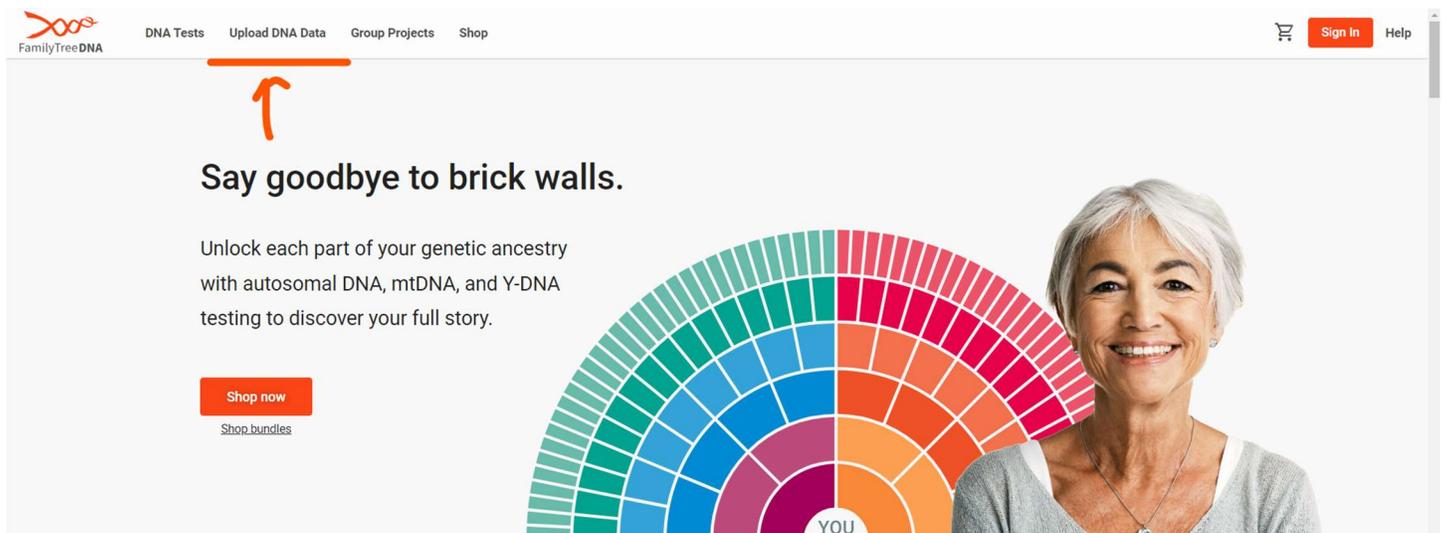
<https://www.familytreedna.com/autosomal-transfer>

1. You will need to create a FREE account at FTDNA.



The screenshot shows the FamilyTreeDNA website's account creation page. The navigation bar includes 'DNA Tests', 'Upload DNA Data', 'Group Projects', and 'Shop'. The main heading is 'Upload your DNA data and discover new connections for FREE'. Below this, it states: 'Upload your AncestryDNA™ or MyHeritage™ autosomal DNA data to FamilyTreeDNA and connect with new relatives for FREE. The following result files can be transferred: • AncestryDNA™ • MyHeritage™ (Results received after March 1, 2019)'. On the right, there is a registration form with the following fields: 'First Name\*', 'Last Name\*', 'Email Address\*', and 'Confirm Email Address\*'. There are radio buttons for 'Male' and 'Female', and a 'Join Today!' button. At the bottom of the form, it says 'Already have a FamilyTreeDNA account? Sign In' and a disclaimer: 'By clicking "Join Today!", I consent to FamilyTreeDNA's Terms of Service, and I confirm that the file I am transferring is my own or belongs to someone for whom I am legally authorized to act.'

2. You can upload Ancestry.com DNA files and MyHeritage DNA files
3. Once you have an account created, navigate to the Upload DNA tab on the top of the window:



<https://help.familytreedna.com/hc/en-us/articles/4402392808463-Autosomal-DNA-Transfers-Guide>

# AncestryDNA™ Transfers

## New Customer Upload Process

**Important:** This process will create a NEW FamilyTreeDNA Kit number. If you have an existing Y-DNA or mtDNA kit please see the below Current Customers Upload Process section below.

1. On the [FamilyTreeDNA homepage](#), on the top navigation bar, hover your cursor over **Upload DNA Data**, and click **Autosomal DNA** on the drop-down menu.  
You are directed to the autosomal DNA transfer page.
2. Complete the fields by entering the first and last name, email address, and sex of the person whose data you are transferring. (If you are transferring someone else's data, make sure to enter their name and sex NOT yours.)
3. After entering the appropriate information, click **Join Today**. You are directed to the upload page.  
**Important:** By clicking "Join Today!," you are consenting to FamilyTreeDNA's [Terms of Service](#), and you confirm that the file you are transferring is your own or belongs to someone for whom you are legally authorized.
4. On the upload page, click **AncestryDNA™**.
5. Drag and drop your file to the highlighted gray box, or click **browse for your file** to upload your file.
6. Click **Submit** to submit the uploaded file. Note that if you uploaded the wrong file, you can click **remove** in the gray box to remove the file and upload the correct one.

**Important:** After you have gone through the upload process, an email is sent to the email address you entered with your FamilyTreeDNA sign-in information, which includes your kit number and temporary password.

## Uploading to GEDmatch.com

<https://www.gedmatch.com/how-it-works/>

The above URL (website) includes pictures and details on how to use this process.

Your GEDmatch.com account should be FREE.