

## **How to extract ThruLines information to Excel**

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### **Why extract information from ThruLines?**

Organize information

More accessible

Searchable

### **To see ThruLines**

- Take a DNA test at Ancestry.com.
- Opt in to see your DNA matches and to be seen by your DNA matches.
- Link your DNA test to your family tree.
- Set your tree to be public or private/searchable.
- Work on tree completeness.

### **The importance of descendency research**

How to identify cousins today who lead back to an MRCA (Most Recent Common Ancestor)?

Find your grandparents' siblings and children and grandchildren.

Find your great-grandparents' siblings and children and grandchildren.

Tree completeness directly impacts the ability to identify your matches and the ability to have a stronger conclusion that you are only related through *one* MRCA.

### **The structure of ThruLines**

Horizontal = generation

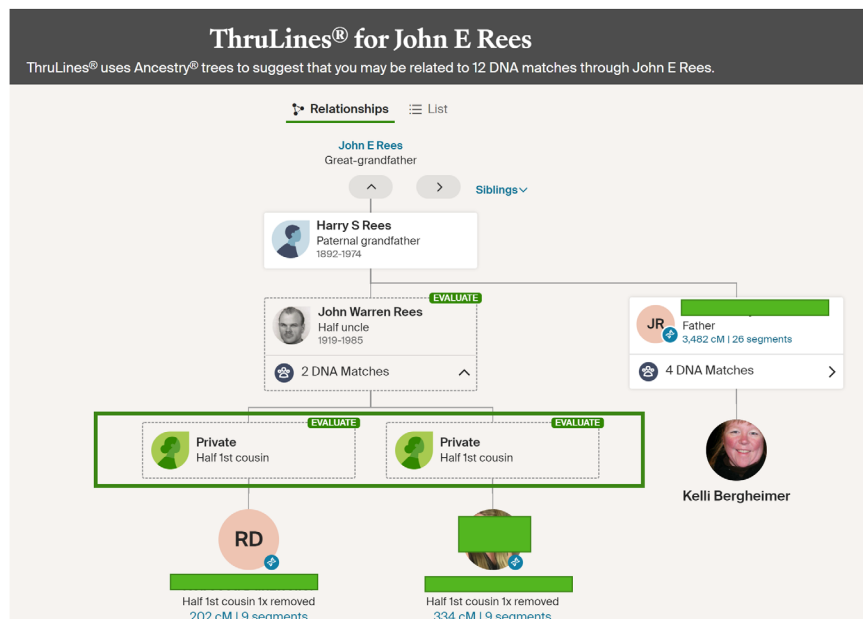
Vertical = lineage

### **Two types of views**

Relationships

List

## Organize with ThruLines.



I expanded 2 DNA matches to find a half sibling for my dad.

Then add 2 columns for these two matches.

great-grandparents				
John Edward Rees Great-grandfather 1862-1953				
Harry S Rees Paternal grandfather 1892-1974			Magdalene Rees Grandaunt 1895-1985	Howell Rees Granduncle 1897-1965
JR Father 3482 cM			David W Williams 1C1R 1932-2012	
Kelli	Private half 1C	Private half 1C	PW 2C 242 cM	
	RD half 1C1R 202 cM	KA half 1C1R 334 cM		

Then backfill the ancestors.

Keep adding matches (columns).

One tile! The goal: Add the rest of your 127 ancestors.

Remember, not all DNA matches are in ThruLines.

Remember, not all children of an ancestor have children or have children who are DNA tested.

Build an Excel sheet to track your ThruLines trackers.

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Harry S Rees Paternal grandfather 1892-1974	Harry S Rees Paternal grandfather 1892-1974	Harry S Rees Paternal grandfather 1892-1974	Harry S Rees Paternal grandfather 1892-1974	Harry S Rees Paternal grandfather 1892-1974	Harry S Rees Paternal grandfather 1892-1974	Magdalene Rees Grandaunt 1895-1985	Howell Rees Granduncle 1897-1965	Howell Rees Granduncle 1897-1965	Howell Rees Granduncle 1897-1965	Howell Rees Granduncle 1897-1965
JR Father 3482 cM	JR Father 3482 cM	JR Father 3482 cM	JR Father 3482 cM	John Warren Rees Half uncle 1919-1985	John Warren Rees Half uncle 1919-1985	David W Williams 1C1R 1932-2012	Janis M Martin 1C1R 1927-1978	Janis M Martin 1C1R 1927-1978	Janis M Martin 1C1R 1927-1978	Janis M Martin 1C1R 1927-1978
Kelli	Kelli	TR Brother 2587 cM	JR Sister 2844 cM	Private half 1C	Private half 1C	PW 2C 242 cM	Robin Ann Martin 2C	Private 2C	Private 2C	Private 2C
CW Son 3452 cM	KL Daughter 3465 cM			RD half 1C1R 202 cM	KA half 1C1R 334 cM		Private 2C1R	RM 2C1R 91 cM	Private 2C1R	Private 2C1R
							AJ 2C2R 10 cM		HM 2C2R 13 cm	EP 2C2R 32 cM

ThruLines- Track the Tiles Kit for XXXXXX	birth-death	pat, mat	locations	Number of DNA matches	Matches and lineages added to spreadsheet	Evaluate matches (quick evaluation)	Evaluate matches (longer evaluation)	In match list, add relationship for each match
Parents								
Dad								
Mom								
Grandparents								
Great-grandparents								
Second-great-grandparents								