

Importing Your Family Tree from Ancestry.com

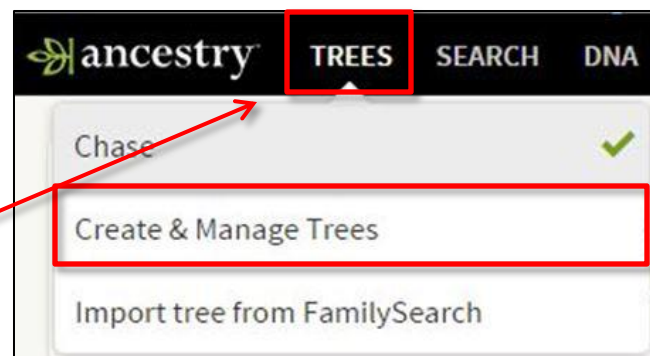
GEDCOM files contain data but not media files.

This Magic Guide covers:

- A. Downloading your file from Ancestry.com
- B. Importing the GEDCOM into RootsMagic

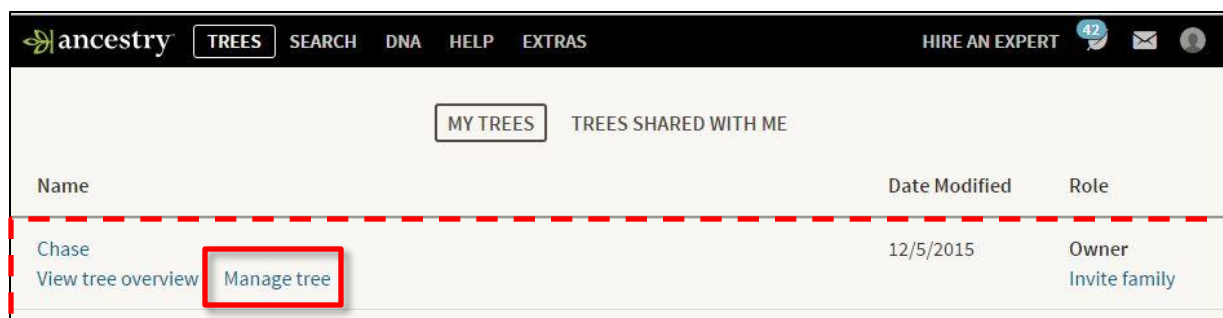
A. Downloading your file from Ancestry.com

1. Go to Ancestry.com and login.
2. Click on the Trees menu and select Create & Manage Trees.

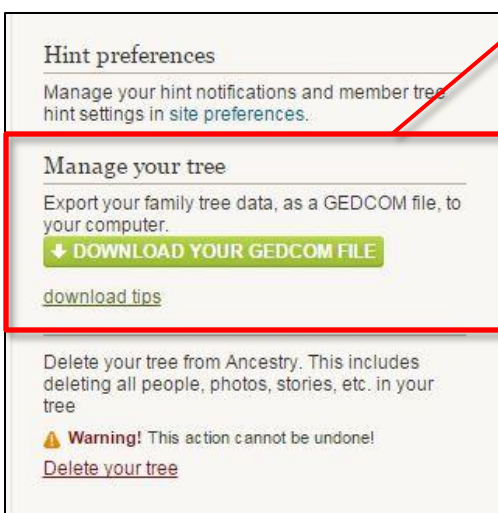
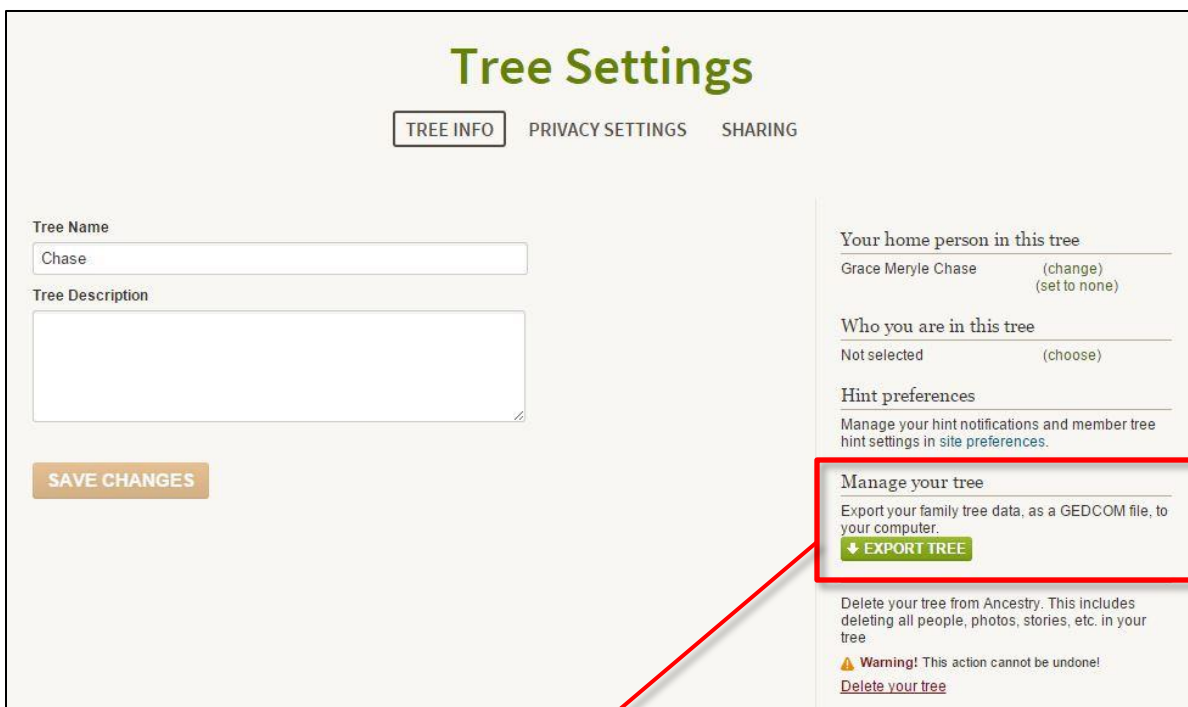


3. On the "My Trees" page, click "Manage tree", for the tree you want to download.

If you have more than one tree, you can repeat the process and download the others, too.

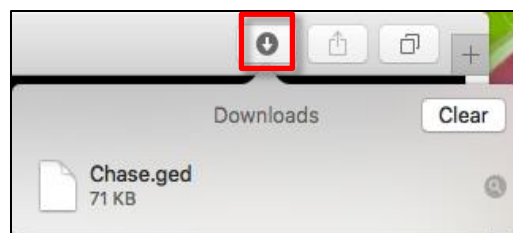
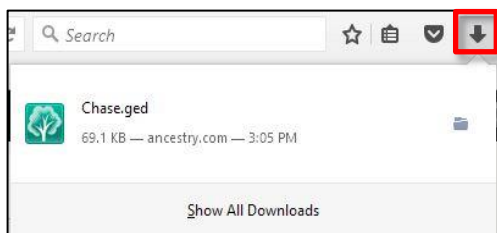
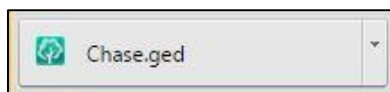


4. On the Tree Settings page, under “Manager your tree”, click “Export Tree”



5. After a moment, this section will change from “Export Tree” to “Download Your GEDCOM file”. When the button appears, click on it.

6. Depending upon the browser, you can verify that the download was accomplished by looking for one of these browser-download indicators. They will be located either in the lower left corner of your screen; across the bottom of your screen; or at the top of your screen.



B. Importing the GEDCOM into RootsMagic

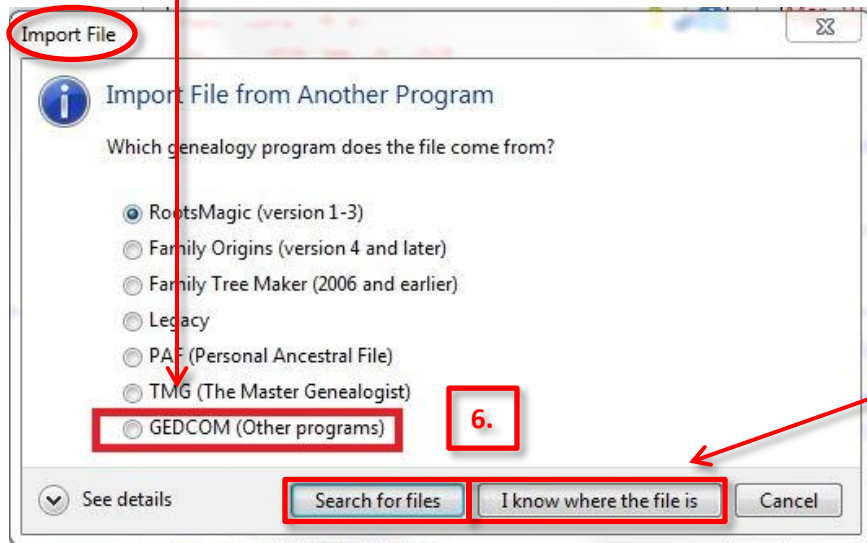
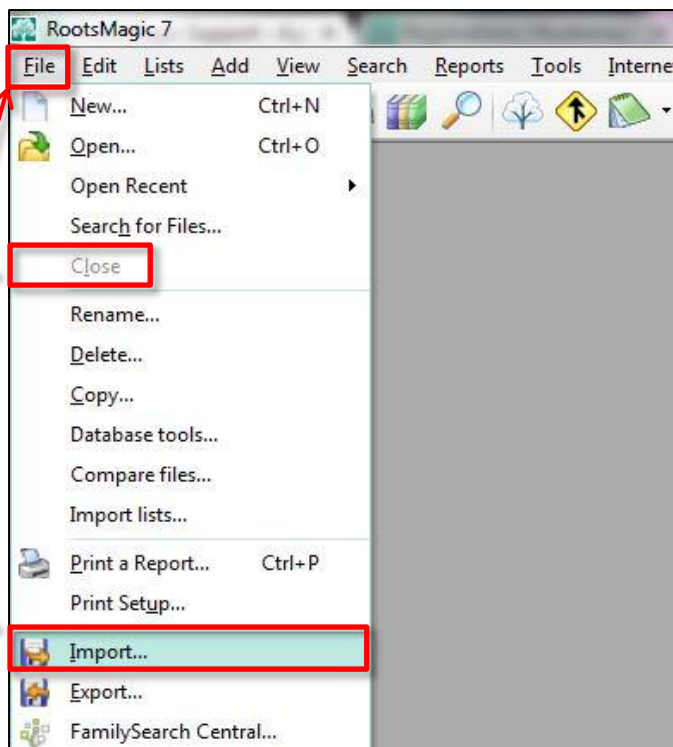
1. Open RootsMagic.

2. It is best to import your file into a new file. If another file is open, click "File" and choose "Close".

3. If no database is currently open, importing a GEDCOM will automatically create a new RootsMagic database for you.

4. Click on the "File" menu and choose "Import".

5. On the "Import File" window, select the option, "GEDCOM (Other programs)".



6. If you do not know where the file is, click "Search for files".

RootsMagic will look for all of your .ged files. Choose the file you want from the list.

If you know where the file is stored on your computer, click "I know where the file is".

7. If you clicked, "I know where the file is", another window will open.

8. Maneuver to where the file is stored. The file name will end with .ged.

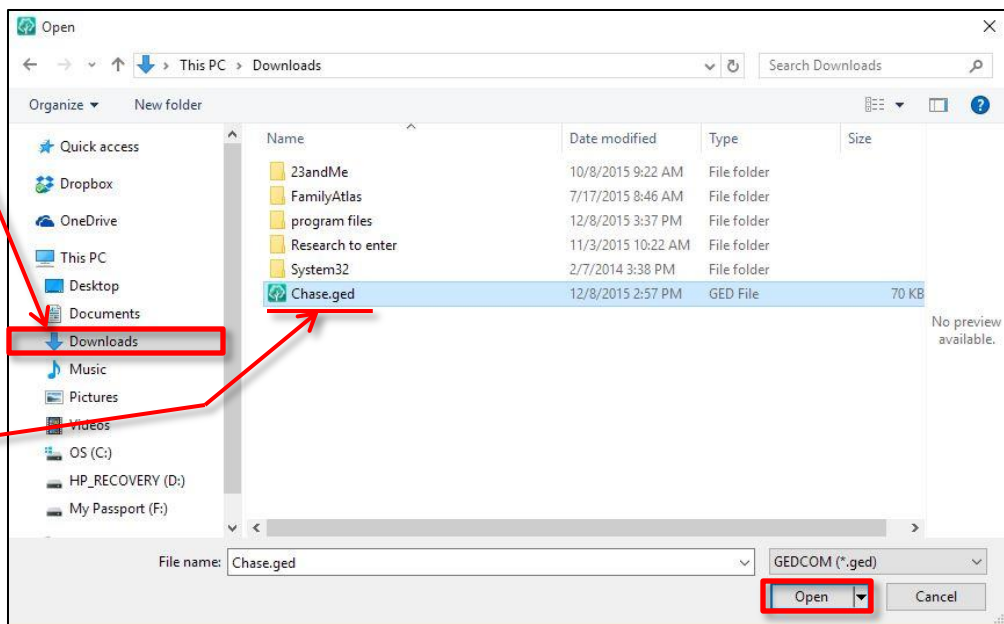
In this example, the file is in the download folder.

Click the “Download” folder.

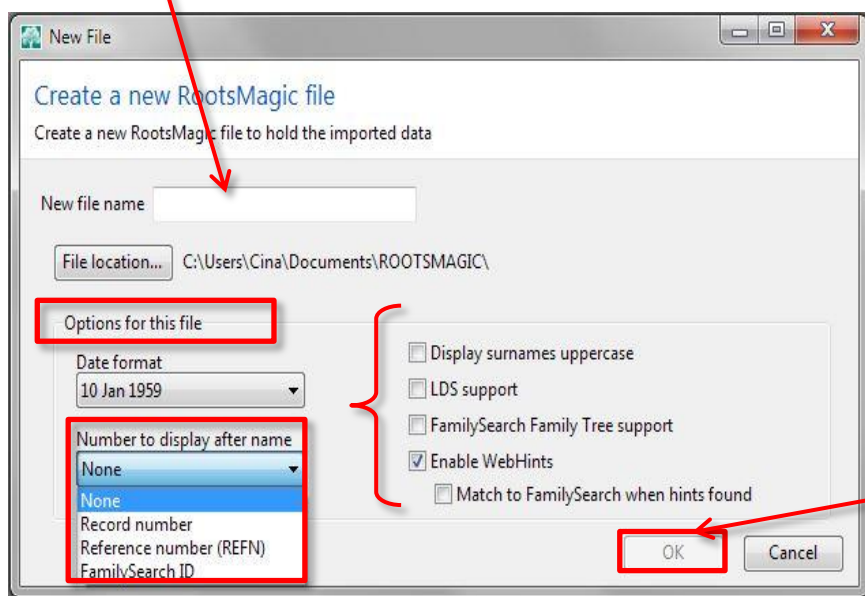
GEDCOM files in that folder will appear in the right panel.

9. Click on the file.

10. Click “Open” to open the file.



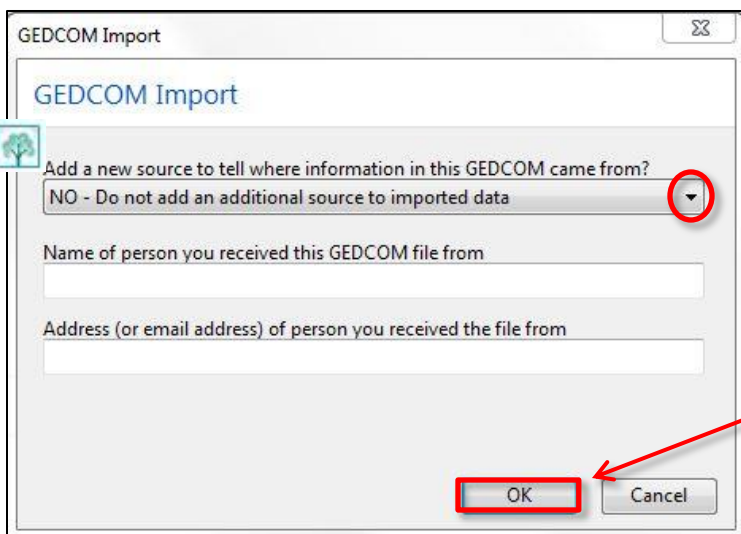
11. Enter the file name you want to give to this file. The name can match the GEDCOM file name or it can be completely different. **Do NOT give it the same name as any other RootsMagic database on your computer.**



12. Under “Options for this file” you can select the “Date format”, “Number to display after name”, and several other options. These options can be modified after the file is created by going to Tools > File Options.

13. Click “OK” when done.

14. You can leave this window “as is” or change the option and fill in the blanks as desired.

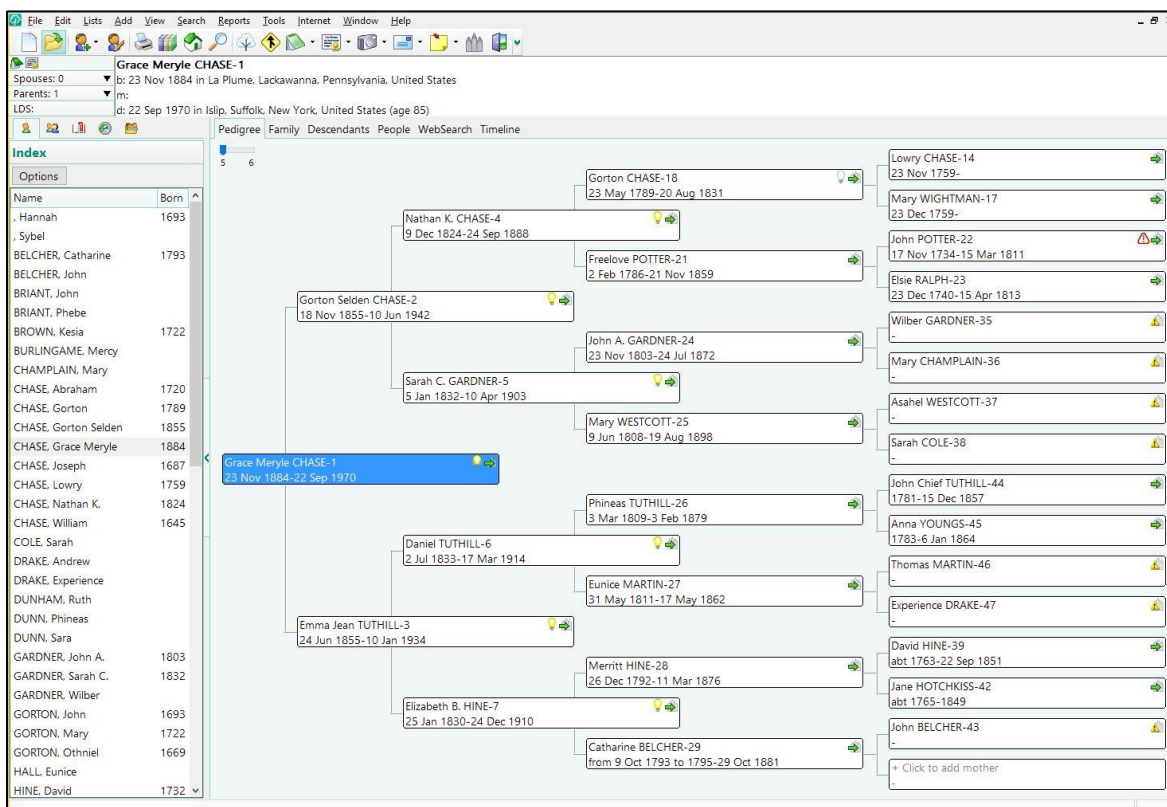


The image shows a dialog box titled "GEDCOM Import". At the top, it says "Add a new source to tell where information in this GEDCOM came from?". Below this is a dropdown menu with the option "NO - Do not add an additional source to imported data" selected. There are two text input fields: "Name of person you received this GEDCOM file from" and "Address (or email address) of person you received the file from". At the bottom, there are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons. A red circle highlights the dropdown menu, and a red arrow points to the "OK" button.

NOTE: You may find it helpful to document where the information came from. The drop down list will allow you to attach information about the creator of this Ancestry tree and attach it to every person imported into the database.

15. Click “OK” to finish creating a RootsMagic database from the GEDCOM file.

16. Your newly imported file will open.



17. **NOTE:** Media is not downloaded from Ancestry.com.