

DNA Match Organization Tracker

One editable log for every DNA match you're actively researching

What This Tracker Is For

Testing companies are good at generating match lists and bad at helping you remember what you already worked out about each one. This tracker gives every match a single row: which company they tested with, how much DNA you share, your best guess at the relationship, the ancestor you think connects you, and whether you've reached out yet.

Using It With The Leeds Method Worksheet

If you've already sorted matches into the four Leeds Method color groups, use the same colors in the Cluster column here. A match with more than one color checked is a match that showed up on more than one grid — worth a second look.

Column Guide

Company	Where the match appears: AncestryDNA, 23andMe, MyHeritage, FamilyTreeDNA, or another service.
Shared cM	Total shared centimorgans, as reported by the testing company.
Predicted Relationship	The relationship range the company estimates (e.g. “2nd–3rd cousin”).
Common Ancestor / Line	The specific ancestor or family line you believe connects you, once known.
Cluster	Check the color(s) that match your Leeds Method worksheet, if you're using one.
Contacted	Check once you've reached out, so you don't send the same message twice.

Cluster Color Key

Use the same four colors on this tracker and on your Leeds Method worksheet.



Father's Father's Line



Father's Mother's Line



Mother's Father's Line



Mother's Mother's Line

Tips For Keeping This Useful

- Update it right after you check a new match, not “later” — the whole point is to stop you from re-checking the same person twice.
- Leave Predicted Relationship and Common Ancestor blank until you're reasonably confident — a guess written down often gets mistaken for a fact later.
- Print a fresh copy every few months, or keep the editable version open and add rows as your match list grows.

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