

22 Steps in Researching Your Family Tree

'Discovering Your Past Blog Series'

Step 6. Obtaining Vital Records

Step-by-step guide on how to obtain vital records using MyHeritage.com:

1. Log in to your MyHeritage account. If you don't have an account, you'll need to create one first.
2. Click on the "Research" tab on the top menu bar and select "Researcher Tools".
3. From the drop-down menu, select "Vital Records".
4. You will be taken to a search page where you can enter the name and any available details of the individual you are searching for, such as their birth, marriage, or death year and location.
5. Once you have entered the information, click the "Search" button. MyHeritage will search its database for any matching vital records.
6. If MyHeritage finds any matches, it will display them on the search results page. You can click on each record to view more details and potentially obtain a copy of the record.
7. To obtain a copy of the record, you may need to pay a fee. MyHeritage offers a variety of subscription options that allow you to access different levels of records.
8. If you don't find any matching records on MyHeritage, you may need to try a different search strategy or search in other databases or archives.
9. Once you have obtained the vital record, be sure to document it properly in your family tree and keep a copy for your records.
10. Finally, you can continue to search for additional vital records using My Heritage's search tools, or you can explore other research options on the website to further your family history research.