**How do I copy people from my private tree to a family group tree?**

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All members of a family group tree can copy people from private trees into a family group tree. This lets you add missing family members and update their profiles after adding more information into your private tree.

If you copy people who are already in the family group tree, Family Tree does not create duplicates. Instead, it adds the missing memories, notes, and sources.

All group participants should be aware of and follow the [privacy guidelines](https://www.familysearch.org/legal/privacy), [FamilySearch terms of use](https://www.familysearch.org/legal/terms), and the group's code of conduct. It is contributors' responsibility to make sure that they have the right and permission to share information within the group, including the personal information of other living individuals.

**Steps (website)**

1. You can start the process from either the group details page or from within the tree.
   * On the group details page, click **Copy from FamilySearch Tree**.
   * On the tree, click **Private People**, then **Copy from FamilySearch Tree**.
2. Use the carets next to people to open the family lines that you want to copy.
3. On the tile of each person you want to copy, click the check box.
   * The check box is available only on living or confidential people.
   * As you select people, their names appear in a list on the right side of the screen.
4. Verify the list of people has everyone you want. Click the **X** to remove anyone you don't want to copy
5. Click **Copy to Group**.
6. Review the matches found. Deselect anything you don't want to copy.
7. Click **Copy**.

**Steps (mobile)**

1. In the iOS version of the Family Tree Mobile app, open the family group tree that you want to work with.
2. At the top of the screen, tap the name of the tree.
3. Tap **Copy from FamilySearch Tree**.
4. Tap the circle of each person who you want to copy into to the family group tree.
5. Tap **Continue**.
6. Review the people to be added or matched, and any action that you do not want to happen.
7. Tap **Copy**.
8. Tap **OK**.

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