

Ancestral Quest – Features Beyond PAF

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Background

The Windows versions of PAF (PAF 4 and PAF 5) were derived from Ancestral Quest 3.0. As a result, a user of one of these versions of PAF will find that Ancestral Quest 14 looks and feels very much like the PAF they are used to. When using most features of the program, it will feel like they are using an upgraded version of PAF itself.

Over the years since 1999, when Ancestral Quest became the basis for PAF, Ancestral Quest has been improved and refined, so that if a PAF user begins to use AQ 14, it will feel like he/she has just moved on to a major upgrade of PAF.

Similarities

Many of the features of PAF will be similar or identical in AQ. Some of these will be demonstrated briefly:

- * Pedigree Screen
- * Family Screen
- * Advanced Filtering
- * Reports
- * Relationship Calculator

New Features

Scores of new features and enhancements have been added to Ancestral Quest since 1999. Many of these will be reviewed:

* **FamilySearch Interface** (touched on very briefly, as this feature is explored in depth in another lecture).

* **Usability Enhancements**

Color Coding

Tags

Research Timeline

To Do Lists/ Research Manager and Log

Name List View **sorts on Any Field**, and up to 3 fields

NetFam Collaboration – work on a master database as a team

Spell Check Notes

Categorize Sources

New **Documentation Center** helps you see all your notes and sources at a glance.

New **Info Center** shows everything about an individual in one place

Find **women by married name**

Search for **Source by Author**

Re-order sources for any event.

Confidential Relationships

Create **Master Source** for GEDCOM Import

* **Internet Research Enhancements**

IGI Lookups and Merges

Direct Lookups on Ancestry.com

* **Reporting Enhancements**

Publish a Family Book

Print any report to **PDF** files

Research Log

Fan Charts

New **Dropline** Descendants chart

Print **Images** of Sources on Reports

Print **Siblings** of ancestors on Ancestor type charts

New **Drop Line Chart** showing direct descent from any ancestor to any descendant

Create **Relationship** report showing line of descent from a common ancestor

* **Additional Features if you Convert Your Data to .aq:**

Merge **duplicate citations** to eliminate duplicate footnotes

Attach citations to just a **date or a place**

Properly record **step-child** situations

Keep a **detailed log** of changes

Global find/replace of names, dates and places

Convert State/Province Abbreviations to full name and back

Link to Scrapbook items stored on Internet