

You share a paternal-line ancestor with Niall of the Nine Hostages.

The spread of haplogroup R-M269 in northern Ireland and Scotland was likely aided by men like Niall of the Nine Hostages. Perhaps more myth than man, Niall of the Nine Hostages is said to have been a King of Tara in northwestern Ireland in the late 4th century C.E. His name comes from a tale of nine hostages that he held from the regions he ruled over. Though the legendary stories of his life may have



R-M269 common ancestor
10,000 years ago

YDNA: Niall of the Nine Hostages

A recent study conducted at Trinity College Dublin, Ireland, found that a striking percentage of men in Ireland (and quite a few in Scotland) share the same Y chromosome, suggesting that the 5th-century warlord known as “Niall of the Nine Hostages” may be the ancestor of one in 12 Irishmen. Niall established a dynasty of powerful chieftains that dominated the island for six centuries. In the study scientists found an area in northwest Ireland where they claim 21.5% carry Niall’s genetic fingerprint, says Brian McVoy, one of the team at Trinity. The same area of Ireland has previously been the subject of anthropological study . . . and has shown a strikingly high percentage of men from Haplogroup R1b (98%) versus 90% in southeast Ireland. According to McVoy this area was the main powerbase of the Ui Neill kings, which literally translated means “descendants of Niall”.

This signature is found in .6 of one percent of the entire family Tree DNA database.

While the signature is typical for R1b European males in general, it is characterized by

11,13 at DYS 385a/b and 14 at DYS 392 . . . 15,16,16,17 at DYS 464. *this is what I have!*

Family Tree DNA. “Matching Niall Nógiallach - Niall of the Nine Hostages.” <http://www.familytreedna.com/landing/matching-niall.aspx>, accessed 18 June 2011.

Surname Location	DYS 19a	DYS 385a	DYS 385b	DYS 388	DYS 389i	DYS 389B	DYS 390	DYS 391	DYS 392	DYS 437	DYS 447	DYS 448	DYS 449	DYS 454	DYS 455	DYS 458	DYS 459a	DYS 459b	DYS 464a	DYS 464b	DYS 464c	DYS 464d
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EOGHAN
PRINCE OF INISEOGHAN
SON OF NIALL
OF THE NINE HOSTAGES
DIED 465 OF GRIEF
FOR HIS BROTHER CONALL
BAPTISED BY PATRICK
AND BURIED IN UISCE CHADIN.



The Lia Fáil (Stone of Destiny) on the Hill of Tara, County Meath



NIALL OF THE NINE HOSTAGES



M222^{+ve} Norman McClelland receiving The Presidential Distinguished Service Award for the Irish Abroad in Dublin from Ireland's President Michael D. Higgins (also M222^{+ve}) in December 2016

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descendant of Irish
King Niall of the
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The "Mound of the Hostages"
Tara

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Haplogroup R-M269 - Wikipedia

It increases in frequency on an east to west gradient (its prevalence in Poland estimated at 22.7%, compared to Wales at 92.3%). It is carried by approximately 110 million European men (2010 estimate). The age of the mutation M269 is estimated at roughly 4,000 to 10,000 years ago.

- **Descendants:** L23; L51/M412, L151/P310; Z2103
- **Ancestor:** [R1b1a1a](#) (R-P297)
- **Possible time of origin:** 4,000–10,000 BP
- **Possible place of origin:** Eastern Europe, assoc

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Niall of the Nine Hostages - Irish Genealogy Toolkit

Niall of the Nine Hostages, (in Irish, Niall Naoi Noígiallach) is a quasi-historical character in Ireland's story. Myth has it that he was descended by an unknown number of generations from Conn Céadathlach aka Conn of the Hundred Battles, who may have lived in the middle of the 2nd century and was reputedly the first high king of Ireland.

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Niall of the Nine Hostages - Wikipedia

Niall "Noígíallach" (pronounced ['ni:əl noɪ'ɣi:ələx]; Old Irish for "having nine hostages"), or in English, Niall of the Nine Hostages, was a semi-mythical Irish king who was the ancestor of the Uí Néill dynasties that dominated the northern half of Ireland, reigning from the 6th to the 10th centuries.

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The sons of Niall of the Nine Hostages, Eoghan, Conall [Gulban], and Enda, travelled north from the kingdom of Connacht into the western and northern regions of the kingdom of Ulster (county Donegal). It was here in the 5th century that the Cenél Eóghain and Cenél Conaill began to establish themselves as overlords in northwestern Ulster. The ...

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Niall of the Nine Hostages - Unionpedia, the concept map

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Niall of the Nine Hostages. By: Steven Forsyth As we delve into Irish history and mythology looking for more tales and legends, it becomes apparent that the waters are continually muddied with

Niall of the Nine Hostages												
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