

Scotland Websites

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The Best Websites for Scotland are very helpful for records pre-1900 and some later. We suggest you practice using all of these websites to learn from them in searching for Scottish people. These websites are continually updated with new information and should be looked at often for new information.

Scotland Websites

FamilySearch
Scotlandspeople
Ancestry
Scottish Archive Network
National Archives of Scotland
Scotlands Places
National Library of Ireland
Findmypast

These main websites cover the following records and for the most part have indexes and transcribed genealogical and family historical information. The only website that has images to most of their record holdings is ScotlandsPeople.gov.uk.

familysearch.org Indexes to:

Church Records pre-1855

Census 1841-1891

Civil Registration 1855-1875, 1881, 1891.

Learning Center: Classes to help in understanding Scotland Records and how to use them to find your ancestors.

Wiki: Help guide you to records and information about places d\to do research.

Compiled Genealogies. Over a hundred years of information gathered in Pedigree and Family Group Sheet format.

Family Tree: A place where anyone can add their family genealogy and history to share with others who are registered.

www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk indexes and images:

Church Records for Church of Scotland pre-1855

Roman Catholic Records 1702-1993

Census 1841-1911

Civil Registration 1855-2014 Indexes. Certificates are purchased within the last 100 years for births for Marriages 75 Years and for Deaths 50 years through the Registrar General.

Valuation lists 1865, 1875, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, 1920, 1925.

Soldiers wills 1914-1948

Wills and Testaments pre-1926

Coats of Arms

All searches and images can be saved in your file and viewed for free anytime you wish to access your file.

Helpful guides and information available.

www.ancestry.com Indexes

Church records
Census 1841-1901
Civil Registration 1855-1875, 1881, 1891
Newspaper card indexes
Probate
Immigration
Compiled Genealogies

www.scan.org.uk Scottish Archives Network and www.nas.gov.uk National Archives of Scotland

Scottish repositories that have their catalogs added to these catalogs. Excellent websites for information including Poor Law records, Land and Property, Church records and historical information.

www.scotlandsplaces.gov.uk

Taxation records mostly 1700's Ordinance Survey Maps

www.maps.nls.uk

All types of Parish and Ordnance Survey (OS) maps Covers Scotland, England and Wales

www.findmypast.co.uk indexes only with transcription information

Census indexes 1841-1901

Church records mostly pre-1855

Civil Registration 1855-1875 mostly complete 1876-1910 very small amount.

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Assignment: Wiki.familysearch.org

Beginners' Corner for Scotland

www.wiki.familysearch.org

Under Scotland or Scotland Genealogy

Reading these articles first may help you get started with your Scottish research.

Getting Started - how to get started with your Scottish research

Strategies for locating births, marriages, and deaths in Scotland

Beginners Guide: <u>Finding Records of Your Ancestors - Scotland 1855 To 1901</u> (42 Mb pdf file)

Finding Your Ancestors in Scotland before 1855 - the handout from a presentation given at a genealogical conference in 2010

Researching Your Scottish Ancestry Before

1855 - more tips for finding your ancestors

Record selection table - a list of the best records to search to find specific information