



# Solving Problems Using the FamilySearch Wiki

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## FamilySearch Research Wiki

- [www.Wiki.FamilySearch.org](http://www.Wiki.FamilySearch.org)
- The Wiki is a genealogical guide
- It links to collections and databases
- Contains instruction on use of records and methodology
- Is a guide for how to find and use records
- **Not** a database of ancestors.

## Country, County, and Parish Pages

- Each country has a sidebar on the right-hand side of the page. See the sidebar for articles on records and background for that country.

## Sweden Genealogy

Europe → Sweden

Guide to **Sweden ancestry, family history, and genealogy**: birth records, marriage records, death records, census records, parish registers, and military records.

### Country Information [\[ edit \]](#) [\[ edit source \]](#)

Sweden is a Scandinavian country bordering Denmark, Norway, and Finland.

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#### Getting Started with Sweden

##### Research

- [How to Find Birth, Marriage, and Death Records in Sweden Online](#)
  - [Place of Origin in Sweden](#)
  - [Finding Birth Information](#)
  - [Finding Marriage Information](#)
  - [Finding Death Information](#)
  - [Searching Swedish Records](#)
  - [Guided Research](#)
- [See More Research Strategies](#)

#### Sweden Research Tools

- [The Swedish Genealogy Guide](#)
  - [Parish Register Headings](#)
  - [Swedish Names and Naming Conventions](#)
  - [Swedish Word List and Latin Word List](#)
  - [Gazetteers](#)
  - [Websites](#)
  - [Feast Day Calendar \(Moveable\)](#)
  - [Feast Day Lists \(Fixed and Moveable\)](#)
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Sweden  
Online Records

Ask the  
Community

#### Sweden Wiki Topics



#### Beginning Research

- [Guided Research](#)
- [Research Strategies](#)
- [Record Finder](#)

#### Record Types

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| • <a href="#">Cemeteries</a>                   | • <a href="#">Medieval</a>             |
| • <a href="#">Census</a>                       | • <a href="#">Military</a>             |
| • <a href="#">Church Records</a>               | • <a href="#">Newspapers</a>           |
| • <a href="#">Civil Registration</a>           | • <a href="#">Nobility</a>             |
| • <a href="#">Court Records</a>                | • <a href="#">Obituaries</a>           |
| • <a href="#">Crime and Punishment</a>         | • <a href="#">Occupations</a>          |
| • <a href="#">Directories</a>                  | • <a href="#">Online Records</a>       |
| • <a href="#">Emigration &amp; Immigration</a> | • <a href="#">Orphanages</a>           |
| • <a href="#">Genealogy</a>                    | • <a href="#">Periodicals</a>          |
| • <a href="#">Heraldry</a>                     | • <a href="#">Population Registers</a> |
|  | • <a href="#">Probate</a>              |

- The country page has sub-locality pages, often at the county and parish level. Access these pages through the clickable map on the country page.
- Each parish has its own page, listing place names within that parish, such as smaller farms, villages, estates, etc. These can be useful in verifying the place within the parish that your ancestor lived.

## Feast Day Calendars

- In the sidebar for each country page, you will find a link to the Feast Day Calendar for that country.
  - "Feast days" celebrating lives of those who were designated "saints" and life events of those who were important in religious history all began to be mixed together.
  - All Sundays were considered feast (fest) days. They are generally prefaced or referred to as "Dominica" (the day of the Lord), "Dom.," "Dna.," or "D." in the records.
- Occasionally – especially in birth/christening records – a feast day will be used instead of a calendar date.
- Feast Day Calendars provide the Feast Days for each year, and what respective calendar date they fall on.

## Scandinavian Given Names

- Patronymic naming system
  - -sen, -sson, -datter, -dotter
- Soldier names
  - Largely Sweden, often reflective of military life or nature
- Given names, especially in Norway, can get a little bit creative.
- Use the [Scandinavian Given Names article](#) in the FamilySearch Research Wiki for a comprehensive list of Scandinavian names.
  - You can also access this article by searching in the Wiki for "Scandinavian Given Names".
  - This list is organized alphabetically, and lists whether each name is a male or female name. This can be helpful when deciphering hard-to-read names, or when trying to find out whether a child is a male or a female.

## Danish Military Levying Rolls (Lægdsruller)

- Military levying rolls are lists to keep track of military conscripts (males only)
- Organized by levying number (by parish)
- Can be helpful in tracing males moving to/from parishes
  - **To use these records, you need to know the levying number (lægdsnummer) for the parish your ancestor lived in.**
- To access these, find the "Military Levying Rolls (Lægdsruller)" link in the sidebar of the Denmark country page within the FamilySearch Research Wiki.
  - Under the "Articles" heading of that page, is a link to an article called "How to Find Military Levy Number (Lægdsruller)". Use this link to find the levy number for the correct years for the parish your ancestor lived in.
  - Once you have the levy number, on the "Danish Military Levying Rolls (Lægdsruller)" page, navigate to the heading titled "Strategy". This will instruct you on how to use these records to find your ancestors.

## Scandinavian Genealogical Word Lists

- Every Scandinavian country/language has its own word list
- Covers a majority of commonly seen words used in records
- Organized alphabetically
- Access the word lists through the sidebar of each country page within the FamilySearch Research Wiki
  - One example: [Norwegian Genealogical Word List](#)

## Scandinavian Handwriting

- Each Scandinavian country page within the FamilySearch Research Wiki has an article called “Handwriting” in the sidebar on the right-hand side.
- In these articles, you may find document samples, Gothic script alphabets, links to recorded classes on reading Gothic script on the FamilySearch Learning Center, and more.