

Tracing your Ancestors in Ireland







Because of the small scale of this map, not all holiday centres can be shown. The information on this map is correct at the time of going to press. © October 2001 Tourism Ireland

Completing the **ancestral jigsaw**



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Pulsing through Irish veins is an adventurous spirit that has inspired millions of Irish people to travel and roam the globe over the centuries. Their motives ranged from the religious fervour of the seventh century monks who set out to re-Christianise Europe, to the disillusionment of the Irish nobility who departed in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries after a series of disastrous wars. Many Presbyterians from the Northern counties looked to the New World for the religious tolerance denied them at home, while other adventurous souls left for South America and the Caribbean as seafarers, traders and merchants. The 19th century saw the greatest mass exodus from Ireland to America and Australia, driven out by famine, poverty and disease. The practice of emigration continued up to the middle of the twentieth century, especially to England. There are up to a million people of Irish descent in Great Britain, many of whose children and grandchildren are delighted to renew their Irish connections. The descendants of all these disparate groups will be equally welcomed on the ancestral trail.

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Following the footsteps of our forefathers

If you are planning a trip to Ireland in the near future and hope to combine your holiday with a little family history research, now is the time to make good preparation.

Before deciding to rush off and book a flight to the land of your ancestors, it is important for you to take some time to study the history of your family. In order to make good progress with research in Ireland, you must first gather as much basic information as possible on your ancestor, such as:

- 1. Name of ancestor who left Ireland
 - 2. Approximate date of birth
 - 3. County and parish of origin in Ireland
 - 4. Religious Denomination
 - **5.** Names of ancestor's Parents
 - Name of ancestor's spouse, and date and place of marriage



Getting to the root of your family tree



The first and most important task is to seek out information from your own immediate family. Encourage older relations to recount their stories and tales. Gather all written material such as letters, wills, diaries, photographs, certificates and other family documents. Family burial plots should also be visited, as gravestone inscriptions can sometimes yield valuable information.

If however, you have no older relatives to consult about family history, or if the family archives do not contain vital clues regarding your Irish born ancestor, do not be disheartened. It should be possible for you to access records within your own country and thus gain the necessary clues to help you further your research. Civil marriage certificates often contain the names of at least one parent. Gravestone inscriptions and obituary notices can record valuable information such as precise place of origin in Ireland and names of parents. Other clues may be extracted from documents such as naturalisation papers, census returns etc.







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Once you have verified the facts of your ancestor's Irish origins, you may then enhance the preparation for your visit by further study of the history of Ireland.

Today's technology means that there is a wealth of information at one's fingertips. Information on Ireland and its history can be accessed at the mere touch of a button via the Internet. One can also avail of the many videos on Ireland which are widely available. A video such as, *Searching for your Ancestors in Ireland*

> a Professional Guide produced by Irish based genealogists Francis Dowling and Helen Kelly can give you valuable insights into the history and culture of Ireland and provide you with detailed information on how to carry out genealogical research in Ireland.



Once you have taken your search from your homeland to Ireland, you must decide how you will complete the research in Ireland. Many people all over the world enjoy conducting their own research and are happy to spend their vacation doing so but successful research may take a number of years.

If you do not wish to conduct your own research or spend your entire vacation on research you can avail of professional research services. Professional genealogical researchers can carry out all or part of your research before you travel to Ireland, allowing you to plan your itinerary in advance. You will be able to combine all the attractions that Ireland has to offer with visits to places associated with your family.

IRISH GENEALOGY LIMITED

Irish Genealogy Ltd. (IGL) is the umbrella organisation for genealogical research services in the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland. The Board of IGL is comprised of representatives from various national institutions and bodies such as the Irish Family History Foundation (IFHF), the Association of Professional Genealogists in Ireland (APGI), the Association of Ulster Genealogists and Record Agents (AUGRA).

APGI and AUGRA members carry out research in the various national archives and record repositories. IFHF members are local research centres who use their own computer databases to carry out research for a specific area, usually a county. IGL can advise you on





the research services that are available and refer you to an appropriate service provider. The research services will advise you on the possibilities for research and the facts involved. You should provide as much information as you can when contacting IGL.

CONDUCTING YOUR OWN RESEARCH

If you enjoy doing your own family research and the chase is as important as getting results, you will enjoy your stay in Ireland if you plan well. Use the archives in your own country to get as much information as possible before you leave for Ireland. Use the Internet to gather information on Ireland and its archives.

IRISH GENEALOGICAL SOURCES

In general, Irish genealogical sources fall into four main categories as follows:

- Civil records of Birth, Marriage and Death
- Church records of Baptism and Marriage
- Land/Property Valuation Records
- Census Returns

These are the most commonly used sources. They are also likely to yield more positive results than limited sources such as land deeds, wills, letters of administration etc. The majority of them can be consulted in Dublin repositories.



Courtesy of National Library of Ireland.



THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF IRELAND

The National Library of Ireland is situated on Kildare Street - just east of Dublin's main shopping street, Grafton Street. At the Library, the Genealogy Advisory Service is the perfect place to commence your Irish research. In conjunction with the Association of Professional Genealogists in Ireland, the National Library provides this service - free of charge - to personal callers. Visitors to the service are provided with an overview of Irish genealogical records, offered expert advice on their specific family research and

> given access to reference material and finding aids. They may then proceed to one of the other Dublin repositories, or remain in the National Library where they can gain access to micro-form copies of such records as Griffith's Primary Valuation of Tenements, the Tithe Applotment Books and most Roman

Catholic parish registers up to the year 1880. The Library also has a large collection of landed estate records, newspapers and other useful sources.

GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE

The GRO holds the civil records of marriage, other than Roman Catholic, from 1845 and birth, death and Roman Catholic marriage from 1864 for all Ireland to 1921, as well as civil records of birth, marriage and death from 1922 for the Republic of Ireland. Civil records of birth, death and marriage from 1922 for Northern Ireland are held at the GRO in Belfast.

THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

The National Archives of Ireland is situated within a fifteen minute walk of the National Library. Among the many collections in the National Archives which will be of interest to genealogists, the following are the most obvious:

- Griffith's Primary Valuation of Tenements
- Tithe Applotment Books
- 1901 and 1911 Census Returns
- Remnants of some Census Returns for the years 1821, 1831, 1841 and 1851
- Transportation Records Ireland to Australia from 1788-1868
- Will Calendars, Wills and Letters of Administration
- Micro-film copies and transcripts of some Church of Ireland Registers

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE OF NORTHERN IRELAND

If your ancestor was born in the Province of Ulster, a visit to the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland (PRONI) in Belfast is essential. Among the records held by PRONI are:

- Church records of most Denominations
- Tithe Applotment Books
- Griffith's Primary Valuation
- Cancelled and Current Valuation Books
- Estate Papers
- 1901 Census Returns
- Will Calendars, Wills and Letters of Administration



VALUATION OFFICE

The Valuation Office is located in the Irish Life Centre in Lower Abbey Street in Dublin. It houses cancelled and current land books, which are based on Griffith's Primary Valuation. These document all changes of occupancy of land from the time of the original survey, to the present day. They are extremely valuable to the family historian, as the changes noted therein are most useful in charting the history of a family and the history of the actual holding. The books for Northern Ireland are held in PRONI.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS

The Registry of Deeds is located in Henrietta Street immediately north of Dublin's main thoroughfare of O'Connell Street. It was established in 1708 to regulate land and property transactions. Registration of deeds was not obligatory and was mainly carried out by property owning classes such as land-owners, merchants and traders.

A great deal of genealogical information can be extracted from deeds, as they often contain records of marriage settlements and wills, in addition to other property transactions. It is, however, unlikely that one would locate a registered deed for a small tenant farmer.



THE GENEALOGICAL OFFICE

The Genealogical Office is attached to the National Library of Ireland. Its holdings are unlikely to be of use to you at the beginning of your research. However, most of its manuscripts are available for personal consultation, either in their original form or on micro-film.

REPRESENTATIVE CHURCH BODY LIBRARY

The Representative Church Body Library is the Church of Ireland's principal repository for its archives and manuscripts. It holds records of baptism, marriage and burial from over 600 parishes in the Republic of Ireland. The archives of several dioceses and cathedrals are also deposited in the Library, as well as a wide range of other manuscripts such as vestry minutes, deeds, architectural drawings, accounts, the biographical succession lists of clergy (compiled by J.B. Leslie), collections of copy wills, pedigrees (including the notebooks of H.B. Swanzy), and extracts from the destroyed 1766 religious census.

Public inspection of the material is welcomed in the reading room which is open Monday-Friday 9.30am to 1.00pm and 1.45pm to 4.45pm throughout the year. The Library staff do not undertake genealogical research.



FRIENDS' HISTORICAL LIBRARY (THE QUAKER LIBRARY)

Quakers in Ireland have been keeping records since the seventeenth century. Of particular interest to the genealogist are the transcribed registers of birth, marriage and death (also available on microfilm in the National Library). A summary of the surnames with relevant locations may be found in the Quaker Library's *Jones Index*. The Library also holds many literary and historical collections including those relating to the Famine.

PRESBYTERIAN RECORDS

Presbyterian records are maintained on a congregational basis and those of most use to the genealogist are the registers of baptism and marriage. Most Irish Presbyterian congregations are



based in the province of Ulster and the majority of their registers can be found on micro-film in PRONI. However, in nearly every other instance registers for congregations in the rest of Ireland can only be found in local custody or in the hands of the Presbyterian Historical Society in Belfast.





METHODIST RECORDS

Irish Methodism split circa 1818 into two groups, Wesleyan Methodists and Primitive Wesleyan Methodists. In 1877 they re-united to form the Methodist Church in Ireland.

The various circuits of Wesleyan Methodism began in the decade or so after 1818 to maintain registers of baptism and marriage. As boundaries of the circuits often changed in the succeeding years, it can be difficult to establish which circuit encompassed a particular area at any given time. Methodists always maintained close ties with the Church of Ireland, and its records should not be overlooked by those in search of Methodist forebears. The whereabouts of Methodist records is much the same as the position for Presbyterians, i.e. PRONI, local custody and the Wesley Historical Society in Belfast.

JEWISH RECORDS

The Jews in Ireland from the earliest time to the year 1910 by L. Hyman is an essential reference book for anyone with Irish Jewish ancestry.





If, at the end of the day, the research is all too much for you, or you would rather let someone else do the leg work for you, you could engage a professional genealogist or commission an index search from a Heritage Centre.

PROFESSIONAL GENEALOGISTS

The Association of Professional Genealogists in Ireland (APGI) acts as a regulating body to maintain high standards among Irish genealogists and to protect the interests of their clients. As well as conducting research for individuals, APGI members act as consultants to the National Library's Genealogy Advisory Service. Admission to APGI is restricted to genealogists whose work is approved by an independent panel of assessors, and members are bound by a strict code of practice. APGI is an all-Ireland professional body, with members based in Dublin and Belfast as well as in other parts of Ireland.

The Association of Ulster Genealogists and Record Agents (AUGRA) is another representative organisation. Its membership is open to those engaged in professional genealogical research within the province of Ulster.





GENEALOGY CENTRES

Genealogy Research Centres are currently indexing and computerising records from parish registers and other genealogical sources on a county basis. Most of these centres are members of the Irish Family History Foundation (IFHF). The IFHF has member centres in virtually every county in Ireland, each with a data base of records relating to its area. These centres will conduct searches of their indexes for a fee and in some cases full research reports (see list of Genealogy Centres pages 20/21).

MEMBERSHIP ORGANISATIONS

Two societies which promote the study of Irish family history are the Irish Family History Society and the Irish Genealogical Research Society. These societies provide information through their newsletters, journals and lectures. You may consider joining one of these once your research has progressed.



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Events of interest

THE IRISH GENEALOGICAL CONGRESS (IGC)

The Irish Genealogical Congress is a week long international conference open to anyone who is interested in learning more about researching Irish family history. It is held every three or four years.

CLANS OF IRELAND LIMITED

The Clans of Ireland was established to co-ordinate and promote the organisation of Irish Family Clans. The Clans of Ireland assists enquirers of Irish descent to form their own family Clan where one does not already exist or become a member of an existing Clan. The majority of registered Clans hold Gatherings, usually in Ireland, but occasionally overseas. These Gatherings provide an ideal opportunity for Clan members to meet, socialise, exchange family history details and enjoy a wide variety of historical, cultural and social events.

The Clans of Ireland does not undertake genealogical research.





A historical homecoming

Once you have found your roots on paper, the next step is the homecoming. Planning is essential if you want to maximise your time.

As there is so much to see and enjoy in Ireland, some forward planning will pay great dividends. In addition to checking out your ancestral location, you should also explore the surrounding countryside and local neighbouring villages and towns and thereby capture and savour the culture and history of the entire area.

A visit to the local Library in your ancestral area is a must, as it can be a source of further valuable information on local history and oral tradition. Librarians can often put you in touch with local historians.

In Ireland, the past is encompassed in the landscape. Ancient folklore, legendary tales and historical events abound in every corner of the country.

Religion meets royalty where Neolithic tombs rub shoulders with Celtic crosses and are situated mere miles from medieval castles and stately homes.

Ireland is an island that is steeped in beauty as well as history. Its green fields and craggy terrain are the subjects of many Irish songs and poems. Every corner of the countryside has a tale to tell, and every city a 'yarn' to spin.... and, who better to recount these stories than the Irish people themselves.



Whatever your interests, there is something for you in Ireland. The opportunities to explore Irish culture, whether it be in the realm of arts, crafts, music or theatre, are endless. For those who like the outdoor life, Ireland offers a wealth of sporting activities, from golf and fishing to walking and cycling.

Choose from a wide range of active excursions or leisurely pursuits. Whatever your interest, you will find something to suit you.

Special thanks to Irish Genealogy Ltd., the Association of Professional Genealogists in Ireland and the Irish Family History Foundation for their contributions and advice in compiling this booklet.

There are of course many other very useful books on Irish genealogical research. Among these are:

- *Tracing your Irish Ancestors* by John Grenham (Dublin 1992)
- Irish Records: Sources for Family and Local History by James Ryan (Dublin 1988, Revised edition 1998)
 - Tracing Irish Ancestors by Máire Mac
 Conghail and Paul Gorry (Glasgow 1997)
 - Irish Roots Published by Belgrave Publications, Cork

You could also consider a subscription to the quarterly magazines entitled *Irish Roots.*

Useful Irish Addresses

Association of Professional Genealogists in Ireland (APGI)

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