

Resources for Huguenot Research in France and England



UK based

- **Huguenot Museum** in Rochester, Kent <https://huguenotmuseum.org> Free
- The **Huguenot Society** of Great Britain and Northern Ireland <https://www.huguenotsociety.org.uk> Includes lists of naturalization and denization (rights to own property/vote etc). Some free information or you can pay to join - £35 per year.
- **Google searches** can bring up all sorts of results when you search for a name including naturalization documents.
- **British History online** <https://www.british-history.ac.uk> Free.
- **Wikipedia** <https://en.wikipedia.org> Free.
- **Legislation.gov.uk** <https://www.legislation.gov.uk> has private acts of parliament re naturalization. Free.
- **The Peerage** <http://www.thepeerage.com> if your ancestors married into the nobility they may be mentioned here. Free.
- **National Portrait Gallery** <https://www.npg.org.uk> – if you had famous ancestors. Free.
- Check **local family history societies** for places where Huguenots lived, e.g. Norfolk. <https://www.norfolkfhs.org.uk>. Lots of them have publications which may include your ancestors details. Membership is generally very reasonable from around £15-40 per year. <https://www.parishchest.com/home.php> is a good starting place for links to various societies and you can join and pay using this link.
- **Google Books** – quite a few publications are available to read online via Google, e.g. "Protestant Exiles from France, chiefly in the Reign of Louis XIV ..., Volume 2" is available from some libraries or via Google Books. "Foster's List of Men at the Bar" is available via Google Books for any lawyer ancestors.
- **London Merchants and others in 1763** https://repository.tku.ac.jp/dspace/bitstream/11150/4896/3/LAUD_211-19-03.pdf
- **18th century merchants by Ken Cozens** https://www.academia.edu/12319150/Eighteenth_Century_Merchant_Circles_in_Londons_Wapping_Peter_The_Ilusson_Maritime_Trade_and_the_Global_Movement_of_Money
- **Wakefield's Directory 1794** <https://pubwiki.co.uk/London1794/1794E.shtml>
- **Survey of London history** <https://londonwiki.co.uk/Maitland1756.shtml>
- **Letters of denization 1701-1800** <https://geneagraphie.com/documents/lettersofdenizat2717hugu.pdf>
- **The National Archives** <https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk> and a podcast "Tracing Huguenot Ancestors" by Dr Kathleen Chater <https://media.nationalarchives.gov.uk/index.php/tracing-huguenot-ancestors/> Free.
- **WikiTree** <https://www.wikitree.com> but be careful as lots of inaccuracies on here. Free.
- **Geni.com** <https://www.geni.com> also be careful with this as lots of inaccuracies here too. Free.
- **Old Maps Online** <https://www.oldmapsonline.org> good for showing London. Free.
- **Old Bailey Online** <https://www.oldbaileyonline.org> and <https://www.oldbaileyonline.org/static/Huguenot.jsp> – central criminal court from 1674 onwards for any criminal ancestors. Free.
- **History Today** <https://www.historytoday.com/archive/englands-first-refugees>. Free.
- Your **local library** will have online access to the Oxford Dictionary of National Biography and other genealogical resources. Free.
- **Internet Archive** <https://archive.org> Online books e.g. "Register of Burials at the Temple Church, 1628-1853". Free.
- **British Newspaper Archive** <https://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk> a great selection from national and local newspapers. £79.95 for 12 months and occasional special discounts.
- **Deceased online** <https://www.deceasedonline.com> Burial records. You can search for free but if you want to view the details you need to purchase vouchers (min £5) or £89 for an annual Silver subscription.
- **Jstor** <https://www.jstor.org> Online books e.g. "Documents nouveaux sur le protestantisme à Bruniquel 1737-1753". Can be accessed via your library. Free
- **Julie Goucher's** list of departments and archives in France <https://anglersrest.net/european-research>
- **French Genealogy Blog** by Anne Morddel <https://french-genealogy.typepad.com/genealogie>

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French Resources

Guide to French records [https://script.byu.edu/Pages/the-french-documents-pages/fr-records-extraction-guide\(english\)](https://script.byu.edu/Pages/the-french-documents-pages/fr-records-extraction-guide(english))

French handwriting and spelling [https://script.byu.edu/Plugins/FileManager/Files/Documents/Pages%2043-55%20from%20french records guide-5.pdf](https://script.byu.edu/Plugins/FileManager/Files/Documents/Pages%2043-55%20from%20french%20records%20guide-5.pdf)

French classes (via Family Search) – free <https://thegenealogygirl.blog/2021/02/11/french-genealogy-education-resources-part-1-free-familysearch-learning-center-courses>

French classes (via Legacy Family Tree) – subscription needed
<https://thegenealogygirl.blog/2021/02/23/french-genealogy-education-resources-part-2-legacy-family-tree-webinars>

Filae

- [en.filae.com](https://www.filae.com) contains lots of records and is where I started my French research. You can also host a family tree on there and search by family name. It will also point you towards individual archives which may have more information. Subscription annually €84.99 or €12.4 per month. Available in French and English.

Geneanet

- [www.Geneanet.org](https://www.geneanet.org) has French family trees amongst the 1 million trees online. Free or you can pay to be a Premium member at £44 per year (also payable quarterly). Available in French and English.
- **French records** <https://en.geneanet.org/explore/french-ancestors> with useful links to lots of departmental and municipal French archives, military recruitment archives dating back to the 19th century and more.
- **Surname Origins** en.geneanet.org/surnames
- **Old postcards** en.geneanet.org/postcards

Old Maps

- **Old Maps Online** for maps of France from 16th century onwards <https://www.oldmapsonline.org>

Archives

When looking for archives remember to search neighbouring ones just in case! The site below is in French. Google Translate is very helpful. <https://translate.google.co.uk>

- **Archive en ligne** <https://www.archiveenligne.fr>
- Aveyron archives have some population lists showing names from 1876. It is likely other places have the same.

Other sites

- **Huguenot Refugee Database** <http://refuge-huguenot.ish-lyon.cnrs.fr/index.php>
- **Gallica** gallica.bnf.fr/accueil/en/content/accueil-en?mode=desktop – French National Library with newspapers and books
- **Protestant Museum** – a good overview of the Huguenot migrations. <https://museeprotestant.org/en/notice/le-refuge-huguenot> Available in French and English.
- French family history societies – these can be found all over France.
- **National Huguenot Society** <https://nationalhuguenotsociety.org>
- **Family Search** [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Huguenots in France](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Huguenots_in_France)
- **Family Search** [https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/France Societies](https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/France_Societies)
- <https://genealogyensemble.com/2015/02/23/genealogy-societies-of-france/>
- <https://www.ancestry.com/search/places/europe/france/?category=37&pg=1&related=true&tkn=null>
- <https://www.thefhguide.com/project-9-france11.html>
- **Cyndi's List – France** <https://www.cyndislist.com/france>