

# Major Jewish Genealogy Websites

The following list of websites accompanies the JewishGen Screencasts and will be updated periodically.

## JewishGen.org Website

JewishGen: <http://www.jewishgen.org>

- JewishGen Databases <http://www.jewishgen.org/databases>
  - JewishGen Family Finder (JGFF) <http://www.jewishgen.org/jgff>
  - Family Tree of the Jewish People (FTJP) <http://www.jewishgen.org/gedcom>
  - Town Finder <http://www.jewishgen.org/communities/search.asp>
  - Gazetteer: <http://www.jewishgen.org/Communities/LocTown.asp>
  - Town Pages written by JewishGeners: <http://kehilalinks.jewishgen.org>
  - Cemetery (JOWBR 2 million graves): <http://www.jewishgen.org/databases/cemetery/>
  - JewishGen Discussion List Archives:  
<http://data.jewishgen.org/wconnect/wc.dll?jg~jgsys~archpop>
- Infofiles <http://www.jewishgen.org/infofiles/>
- Support <http://www.jewishgen.org/JewishGen/Support.htm>
- Special Interest Groups: <http://www.jewishgen.org/JewishGen/sigs.htm>
- Education: <http://www.jewishgen.org/education>
  - Short Videos: <http://www.jewishgen.org/education#VIDEOS>
- Affiliated Sites:
  - Jewish Records Indexing – Poland: <http://jri-poland.org/jriplweb.htm>
  - JRI-P town lists: <http://jri-poland.org/town/index.htm>
  - Lithuanian SIG: <http://www.litvaksig.org/> and <http://www.litvaksig.com>
  - Gesher Galicia (bridge to Galicia) [geshergalicia.org](http://geshergalicia.org)
  - One Step Web Pages: <http://Stevemorse.org> (excellent for census, manifests)

## Major Jewish Genealogical Websites

- International Assn of Jewish Genealogical Societies: <http://www.IAJGS.org>
  - IAJGS Member Societies: <http://www.iajgs.org/blog/membership/member-societies/>
  - International Conference in Warsaw: <http://www.iajgs2018.org/>
  - Avotaynu Books & Maps <http://www.avotaynu.com>
  - Avotaynu Consolidated Surname Index: <http://www.avotaynu.com/csi/csi-home.html>

## Major Genealogical Websites

Mormon (LDS Church): <http://familysearch.org>

Ancestry.com

MyHeritage.com

Geni: <https://www.Geni.com>

## **Passenger Manifests & Passports**

- Ellis Island: <https://stevemorse.org/ellis2/ellisgold.html>
- All Ports: <http://www.genesearch.com/ports.html>
- Early Manifests: <https://aad.archives.gov/aad/series-list.jsp?cat=GP44>
- How to Read a Manifest: <https://www.jewishgen.org/infofiles/Manifests/>
- Passport Order <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/passports/after/passport-records.html>

## **Vital Records**

- U.S. Vital Records Information: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w.htm>
- Social Security: <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1202535>
- Death Indexes: <http://www.deathindexes.com>
- NYC Vital Record Indexes: <http://www.italiengen.org>
- NYC Vital Records: <http://www.genealogybranches.com/newyork.html>
- NYC Marriage Record Index 1908-1972 <https://archive.org/details/nycmarriageindex>
- NYC Communal Organizations 1918:  
[http://archive.org/stream/jewishcommunal00jewi/jewishcommunal00jewi\\_djvu.txt](http://archive.org/stream/jewishcommunal00jewi/jewishcommunal00jewi_djvu.txt)

## **Jewish Cemeteries and Obituaries**

- JewishGen's Burial Registry (JOWBR) : <http://www.jewishgen.org/databases/cemetery/>
- IAJGS list of Cemeteries: <http://www.iajgsjewishcemeteryproject.org/>
- JewishGen's How to Read a Tombstone: <http://www.jewishgen.org/infofiles/tombstones.html>
- All States: Death Indexes online: <http://www.deathindexes.com/>
  - Maine: Documenting Maine Jewery: <http://www.davidkrut.com/pj/masterindex.php>
  - Massachusetts: <http://www.jcam.org/Pages/Services/Search/search.php>
  - Michigan: [http://98.130.55.106/index.php?option=com\\_frontpage&Itemid=1](http://98.130.55.106/index.php?option=com_frontpage&Itemid=1)
  - New York City: <http://JGSNY.org> for landsmanshaften and map of cemeteries
  - NYC Cemeteries online <http://kehilalinks.jewishgen.org/krosno/NYCEM.htm>
- JewishData.com <http://www.jewishdata.com> (fee based)
- Cemeteries: Findagrave.com; billiongraves.com;
- Social Security Death Index: <https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1202535>
- Genealogy Bank Obit Index: <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2333694?>

## **Naturalization**

- USCIS Order Form: <https://www.uscis.gov/g-1041>
- NARA: <https://eservices.archives.gov/orderonline/start.swe?SWECmd=Start&SWEHo=eservices.archives.gov>

## **Census**

- Tips: <http://www.germanroots.com/censuslinks.html>

## Jewish and Historical Newspapers

- Try GOOGLE! (town + newspapers + Jewish)
- Google's Historical Newspapers <https://sites.google.com/site/onlinenewspapersite/Home/usa>
- Newspapers by State: <http://www.onlinenewspapers.com/usstate/usatable.htm>
- London: The Jewish Chronicle Archives <http://www.thejc.com/>
- Pittsburgh: <http://pjn.library.cmu.edu/>
- NYS newspapers (including Brooklyn Eagle): <http://www.fultonhistory.com/>
- Proquest has 4 Jewish Newspapers (libraries subscribe to subsets of Proquest newspapers)
  - *The American Hebrew & Jewish Messenger (New York weekly)*—1857-1922
  - *The American Israelite (Cincinnati)*—1854-2000
  - *The Jewish Advocate (Boston)*—1905-1990, and *Jewish Exponent (Phila)*—1887-1990

## Jewish Names

- JewishGen: <http://www.jewishgen.org/InfoFiles/#Names>
- Warren Blatts excellent slide presentation: <http://www.jewishgen.org/infofiles/GivenNames/>
- Alexander Beider Books on Surnames from Galicia, Poland, Russia and Germany: <http://stevemorse.org/phonetics/beider.php>
- Given Names Database <https://www.jewishgen.org/databases/GivenNames/>

## Jewish Archives

- **Eastern European Archives:** <http://www.rtrfoundation.org/archdta.shtml>
- Center for Jewish History (NY) <http://www.cjh.org/p/61>
- **Yeshiva University Archives at** <https://www.yu.edu/libraries/about/special-collections//>
- Steve Lasky: <http://www.museumoffamilyhistory.com>
- American Jewish Historical Society <http://www.ajhs.org/collections>