

[Important Websites for Croatia Genealogy](#)

There are two "must peruse" websites for initiating original research in France. There are a lot of excellent resources well documents found on both **Family Search.Org** and **The Family History Guide**.

From a single URL cited below on **FamilySearch**, you will find a comprehensive overview of resources for France that covers the gamut of resources and research tools that you could ever have imagined all from one extended screen display. It is a remarkable guide to French ancestry, history, and genealogy with birth records, marriage records, death records, census records, military records and much more. The URL is https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Croatia_Genealogy. The headings are specifically cited below along with their links that you can search quickly

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Croatia

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

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

Croatia is a country in Central and Southeast Europe bordered by [Hungary](#), [Serbia](#), [Bosnia and Herzegovina](#), [Montenegro](#), and [Slovenia](#). The lands that today comprise Croatia were part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire until the close of World War I. The official language is Croatian.^[1]

Getting Started[\[edit source\]](#)

Getting Started with Croatia Research

Links to articles on getting started with Croatia research.

- [Getting Started](#)
- [What's the Next Step?](#)
- [Tips for Beginners](#)
- [Beginning Croatian Research Overview](#)
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Croatia Research Tools

Links to articles and websites that assist in Croatia research.

- [Croatia Letter Writing Guide](#)
- [Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian Word List](#)
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Finding Your Ancestors' Town in Croatia[\[edit source\]](#)

- Genealogical records are organized by geographical locality. Civil registration (government birth, marriage, and death records) and church records (christenings/baptisms, marriages, and burials) were kept at the **local level**. To search these records, you must know the town where your ancestors lived.
- If you do not know your ancestors' town, follow the advice in the Wiki article, [Croatia Finding Town of Origin](#), to search a variety of records that might provide that information.

Croatia Map[\[edit source\]](#)

Croatia is a country situated in Southeastern Europe, bordering Slovenia, Hungary, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, the Adriatic Sea, and the Gulf of Trieste.



Jurisdictions[\[edit source\]](#)

Counties of Croatia[\[edit source\]](#)

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| • Bjelovar-Bilogora | • Lika-Senj | • Šibenik-Knin |
| • Brod-Posavina | • Međimurje | • Varaždin |
| • Dubrovnik-Neretva | • Osijek-Baranja | • Virovitica-Podravina |
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| • Karlovac | • Primorje-Gorski Kotar | • Zadar |
| • Koprivnica-Križevci | • Sisak-Moslavina | • Zagreb |
| • Krapina-Zagorje | • Split-Dalmatia | • City of Zagreb |

Regions[\[edit source\]](#)

- [Slavonia](#) is a geographical and historical region in eastern Croatia. It is a lowland bounded, in part, by the Drava river in the north, the Sava river in the south, and the Danube river in the east.
- Dalmatia is a historical region on the eastern coast of the Adriatic Sea and is situated in Croatia. It spreads between the island of Rab in the northwest and the Bay of Kotor, in Montenegro, in the southeast. The hinterland, the Dalmatian Zagora, ranges from fifty kilometers in width in the north to just a few kilometers in the south.
- Istria the largest peninsula in the Adriatic Sea, located at the head of the Adriatic between the Gulf of Trieste and the Bay of Kvarner. It is shared by three countries: Croatia, Slovenia and Italy.

More Croatia Research Strategies[\[edit source\]](#)

Research strategies give guidance on how to research or what records to search for first. Below are additional research strategy Wiki articles for Croatia.

- [Beginner's Guide to Croatian Research by Thomas K. Edlund with Kahlile B. Mehr](#)
- [Beginner's Guide to Croatian Research/Croatian Microfilming List by Thomas K. Edlund with Kahlile B. Mehr](#)
- [Finding your ancestor in the records](#)

Reading Croatian Records[\[edit source\]](#)

- [Croatia Language and Languages](#)
- [Serbo-Croatian Word List](#)
- [Croatian Glagolitic Script](#)

More Croatia Research Tools[\[edit source\]](#)

Research tools can include resources that assist in locating correct records to search and determining the correct locality to search in. Below are links and Wiki articles to research tools for Croatia.

- [ARHiNET Croatia](#) Central National Register of Archival Fonds and Collections of the Republic of Croatia. Includes vital registers. Click [here](#) for instructions.
- [Croatia, Church Books, 1516-1949](#)
- [Croatia, Delnice Roman Catholic Church Books \(Family Search Historical Records\)](#) Presently being indexed.
- Croatian vital registers are slowly becoming available online through [FamilySearch](#) and through the [Croatian Digital Archives](#).

FamilySearch Resources[\[edit source\]](#)

Below are FamilySearch resources that can assist you in researching your family.

- [Facebook Communities](#) - Facebook groups discussing genealogy research
- [Learning Center](#) - Online genealogy courses
- [Historical Records](#)
- [Family History Center locator map](#)

References[\[edit source\]](#)

1. [Jump up](#)[↑] Wikipedia contributors, "Croatia," in *Wikipedia: the Free Encyclopedia*, <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Croatia>, accessed 23 March 2016.

The Family History Guide

The Family History Guide, <https://www.thefhguide.com/project-9-croatia.html>, provides a more sequential process of learning consisting of outstanding step-by-step “how to” research tutorials for France that is organized into eight evels offerings in a rather clear and concise format. I particularly like its infrastructure of topics for each level of tutorials.

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