

Online Resources for Hispanic American Countries



Family Search Wiki Pages

https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Main_Page

or Google "(Country's Name) Genealogy Wiki

Other Web Resources:

- **Check out Facebook Groups**
- **Genealogical Societies**
- **Family History Affiliate Libraries and Family History Centers:**
<https://www.familysearch.org/fhcenters/locations>
- **PARES (Spanish Archives)**
<http://pares.mcu.es/ParesBusquedas20/catalogo/search>
- **Genealogia Nuestra:** (<https://genealogianuestra.com/>)-
Información general de diferentes países hispanos y otras islas del caribe.
- **East View Global Press Archive:**
(<https://www.eastview.com/resources/gpa/>) : Newspapers archive for Dominican Republic, Mexico & Puerto Rico

Spanish Words to Watch Out for and Meaning...

Padre- father

Madre-Mother

Abuelos Paternos- Paternal Grandparents.

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Originario/Originaria-Originally from...

Vecino/Vecina- per the records when they say “Originario del pueblo de Aguas Buenas vecino de Ponce” it means that is where they currently reside in Ponce but they were originally from Aguas Buenas”; or “Originario y Vecino...” means originally from that town and currently lives there also.

Spanish Words to Watch Out for and Meaning...

Nacimiento- Birth

Matrimonio - Matrimony

Muerte- Death

Padrinos- Godparents, you will find this term in Baptismal records but also in marriage records, since traditionally in Latin Parents the bride and groom also choose “padrinos”

Viudo/Viuda- Widower

Hijo/Hija – Son/Daughter

Legitimo/Legitima- Legitimate: This is important because this word can be a clue that the parents were married, which means there might be a marriage record.

Spanish Words to Watch Out for and Meaning...

Hijo Natural/Hija Natural- Natural son or Natural daughter, this is also important this means that the child was born out of wedlock. This was a lot more common then you might think.

Peninsular- Someone from born in Spain.

Isleños- Person from the Canary Islands

Terms of the Spanish Caste System

Mestizo/Mestiza- Describes someone of mixed European and Indigenous.

Mulato/Mulata- Describes someone of mixed European and African.

Blanco/Blanca- White

Bozal- A person born in Africa

Coyote- A person born of a Mestizo(a) and Indigenous

Lobo(a)- Indigenous and African heritage.

For more info & other terms: <https://cowlatinamerica.voices.wooster.edu/2020/05/04/the-casta-system/>

Make sure too...

1. Read the documents when possible.
2. Be cautious when you use information from other member's trees.
3. If you are not 100% sure if a certain document belongs to your ancestor, save it, don't attach and wait to find more evidence.
4. History Research!
 - a. Recommended History Podcast: Archiepielago Historico by Ramon Gonzalez-Arango Lopez
5. Be mindful on who is the informant, witnesses and god parents.
6. Go beyond the great grandparents, identify the great and uncles and even go down to the 1st cousins.



Genealogy Collections- Argentina

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Argentina_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

Argentina Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Argentina Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Argentina Census Records

Accessibility can vary from province to province

Genealogical Societies per Family Search Wiki

https://www.familysearch.org/es/wiki/Sociedades_geneal%C3%B3gicas_de_Argentina



Genealogy Collections- Bolivia

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Bolivia_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

Bolivia Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Accessibility can vary from province to province

Academia de Ciencias Genealogicas y Heraldicas de Bolivia

<https://www.acghb.com.bo/>

Other Website Sources:

<https://boliviagen.com/Home/Enlaces.html>



Genealogy Collections- Chile

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Chile_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

Chile Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Chile Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

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Other Resources for Chile per Family Search

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Chile_Archives_and_Libraries



Genealogy Collections- Colombia

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Colombia_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from for more specific information

Academia de Genealogia Colombiana

<https://www.academiadegenealogia.org/>

Sociedad Judio de Colombia

<http://www.sgjcol.com/>

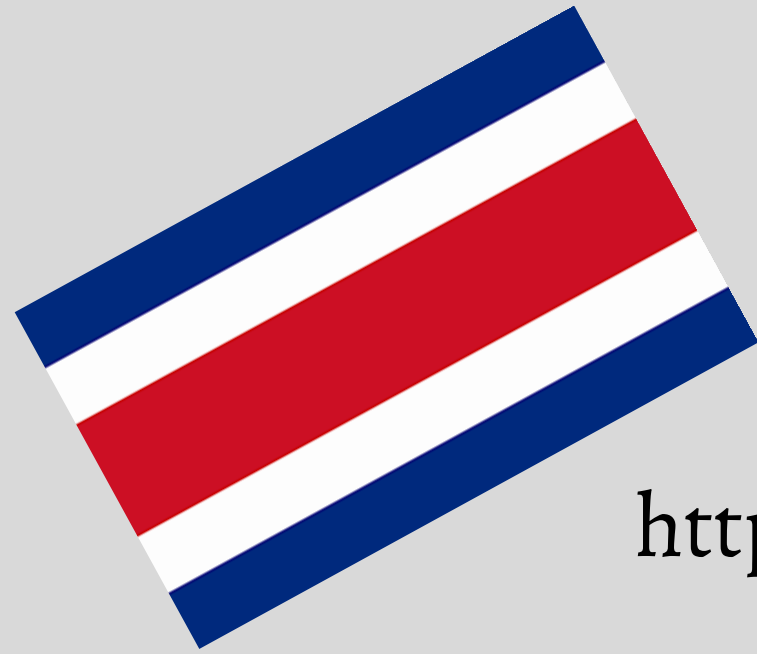
Genealogias de Colombia

<https://www.genealogiasdecolombia.co/>

Colombia Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Colombia Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Accessibility can vary from province to province



Genealogy Collections- Costa Rica

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Costa_Rica_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

Costa Rica Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Costa Rica Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Costa Rica Cemetery Records

Accessibility can vary from province to province

Asociacion de Genealogia e Historia de Costa Rica

<https://sites.google.com/view/asogehi//>



Genealogy Collections- Cuba

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Cuba_Genealogy

There are some church collections & books in Family Search and Wiki Pages are helpful for other sources.

US Immigration and Travel Records can be helpful if Ancestors traveled from Cuba to US.

FIU, Enrique Hurtado de Mendoza Collection: <https://dloc.com/collections/iFiuHurtado>

CubaGenWeb: <http://www.cubagenweb.org/>

Cuban Genealogy Club of Miami: <https://www.cubangenclub.org/>

University of Miami, Cuban Genealogy Research:

<https://sp.library.miami.edu/subjects/cubangenealogy#tab-1>

Cuba Research Project: cubaresearchproject.com

British Library, Endangered Archives Programme: <https://eap.bl.uk/search?query=Cuba>



Genealogy Collections- Dominican Republic

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Dominican_Republic_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

Instituto Dominicano de Genealogia

<https://www.idg.org.do/>

Dominican Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Dominican Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Accessibility can vary from province to province



Genealogy Collections-Ecuador

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Ecuador_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

1776-1871 Census Records on Family Search

Ecuador Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Ecuador Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Accessibility can vary from province to province



Genealogy Collections- Guatemala

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Guatemala_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

Guatemala Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Guatemala Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Accessibility can vary from province to province

Instituto de Investigacion Genealogica y Genetica

<https://origenesguatemala.com/>



Genealogy Collections- Honduras

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Honduras_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

Honduras Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Honduras Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Accessibility can vary from province to province

Zumbados por la Genealogia

<https://zumbadosgenealogia.blogspot.com/>



Genealogy Collections- Mexico

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Mexico_Genealogy

Go to the State that your Ancestors were from

Mexico Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Mexico, 1930 National Census

Mexico Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Accessibility can vary from state to state some started as early as the 1850s

U.S., Border Crossings from Mexico to U.S., 1895-1964



Genealogy Collections- Nicaragua

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Nicaragua_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

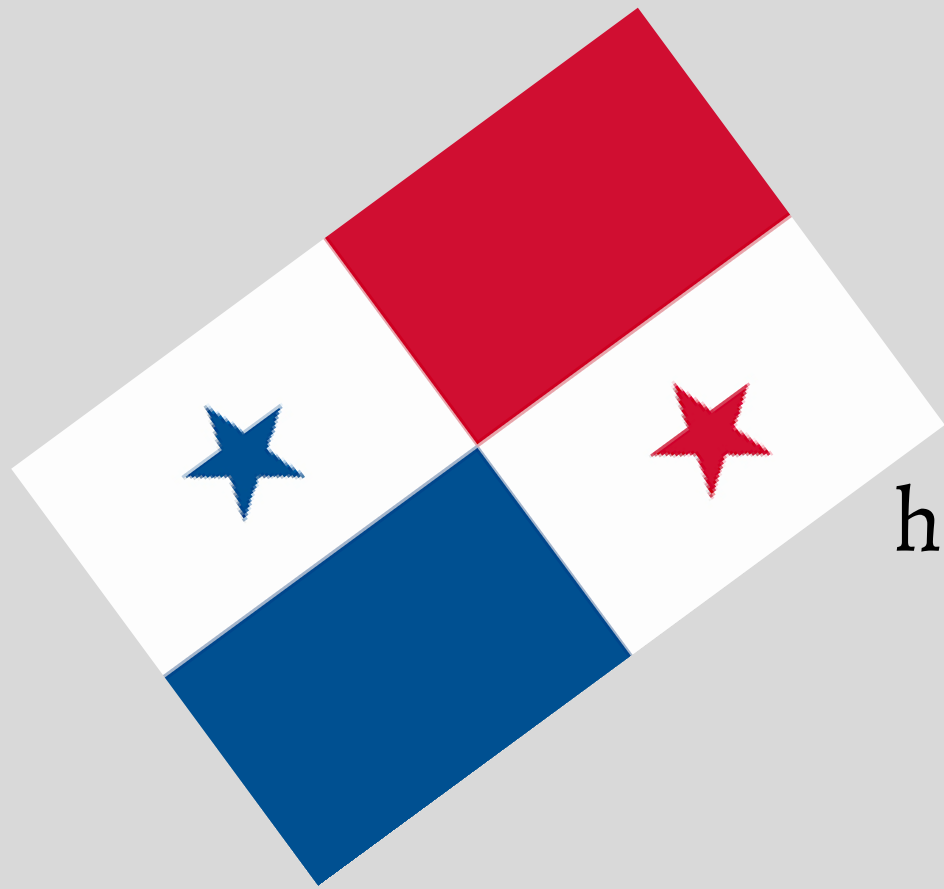
Nicaragua Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Nicaragua Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Nicaragua Cemetery Records

Census Records from 1662-1815

Accessibility can vary from province to province



Genealogy Collections- Panama

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Panama_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

1611-1808 Census Records:

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS89-P9V7-F?cat=1050916>

Panama Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Panama Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Accessibility can vary from province to province



Genealogy Collections- Paraguay

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Dominican_Republic_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

Paraguay Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Paraguay Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

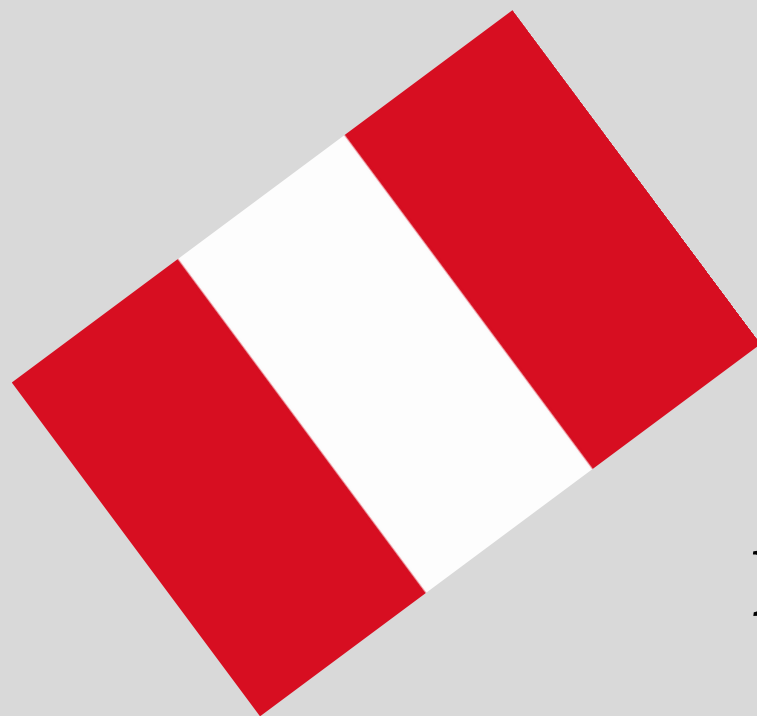
Paraguay Military Records

Paraguay Asuncion Cemetery Records

Accessibility can vary from province to province

Instituto Paraguayo de Genealogia

<http://www.genealogiaparaguaya.org/>



Genealogy Collections- Peru

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Peru_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

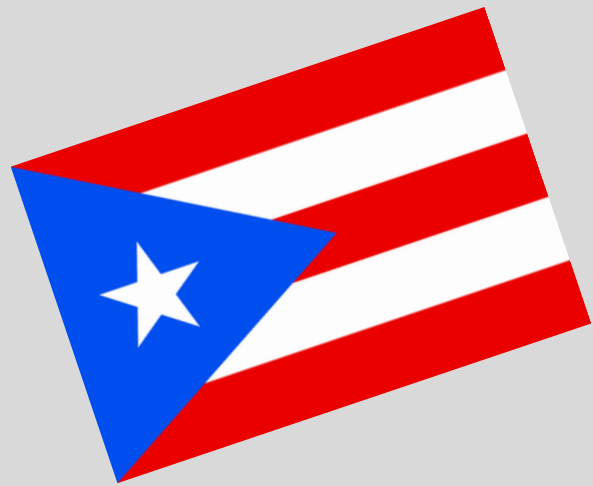
Peru Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Peru Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Accessibility can vary from province to province

Instituto Peruano de Investigaciones Genealogicas

<https://genealogiaperu.org/>



Genealogy Collections- Puerto Rico

Puerto Rico Church Records

Puerto Rico Civil Registrations (1885-2001)

Accessibility can vary from town to town.

US Collections:

US Census Records: 1910, 1920, 1930, 1935-1936, 1940, 1950

US Passport Collections

Passenger Lists for Ellis Island

US Seaman's Applications

Military Records

Sociedad Puertorriqueña de Genealogia: <https://genealogiapr.com/>

Hijos de Coamo: Church Indexes: <https://hijosdecoamopr.com/indexes-for-church-records-for-puerto-rico/>

Archivo Historico de Aguadilla: Puerto Rico:

[https://archivonacional.com/Collection/Haydee.Reichard/Default.aspx?
s=Datos%20Aguadilla%20Herman%20Reichard](https://archivonacional.com/Collection/Haydee.Reichard/Default.aspx?s=Datos%20Aguadilla%20Herman%20Reichard)



Genealogy Collections- El Salvador

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/El_Salvador_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

Census Records: 1746-1821

El Salvador Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

El Salvador Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Accessibility can vary from province to province



Genealogy Collections- Uruguay.

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Uruguay_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

Uruguay Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Uruguay Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Uruguay Passenger Lists

Accessibility can vary from province to province



Genealogy Collections- Venezuela

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Venezuela_Genealogy

Go to the Province that your Ancestors were from

Venezuela Church Records, Baptismal, Burial & Marriage Records

Venezuela Civil Registrations (Birth, Death & Marriage Records)

Church Census Record 1756-1798 (Microfilmed)- Check with closest Family

History Center

Accessibility can vary from province to province

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FamilySearch.org



DESCUBRE TU HISTORIA

What is FamilySearch?

- Free Online Database that contains Genealogical Collections.
- Administered by the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah.
- You can build one tree and are able to have access to other people's trees.
- Offer Education on how to do genealogy.
- Family History Centers and Family Affiliate libraries all over the world.

Different Sections of FamilySearch to Note

- **FamilySearch Wiki Pages**
 - https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Main_Page
- **FamilySearch Search Records**
 - <https://www.familysearch.org/search/>
- **FamilySearch Images Section**
 - <https://www.familysearch.org/records/images/beta>
- **FamilySearch Card Catalog**
 - <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog>
- **FamilySearch Books**
 - <https://www.familysearch.org/library/books/>
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 - <https://www.familysearch.org/en/centers/about>

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What memories do you have of your hometown?

Where did you go on your most recent vacation?

Did your kids do anything crazy, or sweet, this week?

How did you meet your spouse?

What memories do you have of your oldest relatives?

Have your own idea? Click to get started.

Search for an Ancestor

First Names

Last Names

Required

Possible Location

City, County, State, Country

Estimated Birth Year

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