

General suggestions (some are outdated): <https://www.jewishgen.org/InfoFiles/faq.html>

Books, guides, and publications:

- Kurzweil, Arthur. *From Generation to Generation: How to Trace Your Jewish Genealogy and Personal History*. Updated Edition. (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2004). 367 pages. (\$24.95 hardcover). ISBN 0-7879-7051-4. [First edition was: (New York: William Morrow, 1980). 353 pages. ISBN 0-8052-0706-6. Second revised edition was: (New York: Harper Collins, 1994). 388 pages. ISBN 0-06-270097-9].
- Rottenberg, Dan. *Finding Our Fathers: A Guidebook to Jewish Genealogy*. (New York: Random House, 1977). 401 pages. (\$20). [Reprints: Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1986, 1995, 1998. ISBN 0-8063-1151-7].
- Mokotoff, Gary. *Getting Started in Jewish Genealogy*. (Bergenfield, NJ: Avotaynu). Annual editions since 2010. 2013 Edition: 96 pages. (\$14.50). ISBN 9780983697510. [Table of Contents]. [Original 1999 edition by Gary Mokotoff and Warren Blatt. (Bergenfield, NJ: Avotaynu, 1999). 74 pages. ISBN 1-886223-10-6.]
- Krasner-Khait, Barbara. *Discovering Your Jewish Ancestors*. (North Salt Lake, UT: Heritage Quest, 2001). 287 pages. (\$24.95). ISBN 0-944931-85-5.
- *Avotaynu: The International Review of Jewish Genealogy* <http://www.avotaynu.com>
- *Avotaynu Guide to Jewish Genealogy*. Edited by Sallyann Amdur Sack and Gary Mokotoff. (Bergenfield, NJ: Avotaynu, 2004). 608 pages. (\$85). ISBN 1-866223-17-3.
- *Where Once We Walked: A Guide to the Jewish Communities Destroyed in the Holocaust*. By Gary Mokotoff and Sallyann Amdur Sack, with Alexander Sharon. Revised Edition. (Bergenfield, NJ: Avotaynu, 2002). 736 pages. ISBN 0-886223-15-7. {A gazetteer of over 23,500 Central and Eastern European localities, arranged alphabetically and phonetically, with references for each locality}. (\$85). [First Edition was 1991, 514 pages, ISBN 0-9626373-1-9].

Websites to create family trees:

- Ancestry – www.ancestry.com
 - can get access through the library system only ON-SITE at SAPL
- Geni: <https://www.geni.com/>
- MyHeritage: <https://www.myheritage.com/>
- Jewish Family Finder: <https://www.jewishgen.org/gedcom/> → to upload a previously created tree

Records:

- National Archives – www.nara.gov
- Birth, Marriage, and Death Records are not federal, but state. Look into state records. If you are interested in Bexar County information, go to <https://www.bexar.org/2952/Birth-and-Death-Certificates>
- Passenger Lists:
 - National Archives: <https://www.archives.gov/research/immigration/passenger-arrival.html#film>
 - Ellis Island Foundation – www.ellisland.org
- FamilySearch (run by LDS Centers): <https://www.familysearch.org/en/>
 - Many local centers

Holocaust Research:

- Yad Vashem: <https://www.yadvashem.org/>
- United States Holocaust Memorial Museum: <https://www.ushmm.org/collections/ask-a-research-question/tools-for-research> (Look here for specific resources)

Helpful sites:

- JewishGen – www.jewishgen.org
 - For all kinds of research: <https://www.jewishgen.org/databases/>
 - Research Divisions/Special Interest Groups (SIGs): <https://www.jewishgen.org/JewishGen/ResearchDivisions.htm>
- Jewish Genealogical Societies (JGSs) → look for your local JGS at <https://www.iajgs.org/membership/jgs-world-map/>
- Find a Grave – Maintained by volunteers: <https://findagrave.com>
- Israel Genealogical Research Association -- <https://genealogy.org.il/>
- Central Archives for the History of the Jewish People -- <http://cahjp.nli.org.il/>
- Cyndi's List: lists of places to check out: <https://www.cyndislist.com/>
- Steve Morse's website: He also lists a lot of resources: <https://stevemorse.org/>

Researching by location:

- JRI – Poland -- <https://jri-poland.org/>
- Geshet Galicia - <https://www.geshetgalicia.org/>
- Litvak SIG -- <https://www.litvaksig.org/>
- Texas: mysapl.org/Services/Collections/Texana-Genealogy#189122055-collections
- When you find out your family's town in another location, see if there is a historical society connected with the city.

Communicate with others:

- JewishGen Mailing Lists: https://www.jewishgen.org/ListManager/members_add.asp (You will need to be a member, but it is free!)
- Facebook groups: (Do a search to find a specific group!)
 - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/tracingthetribe/>
 - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/JewishGenealogyPortal>
 - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2589867323/>
- SAPL Events: <https://www.mysapl.org/Services/Collections/Texana-Genealogy#189122053-programs--activities> (nothing listed now)

DNA Testing for Genealogy Purposes:

- AncestryDNA: <https://www.ancestry.com/dna/>
- 23andMe: <https://www.23andme.com/>
- FamilyTreeDNA: <https://www.familytreedna.com/>
- MyHeritage: <https://www.myheritage.com/dna>

Discounts/Other Options:

- Do searches: AARP, Groupon, the place's website, etc.
- Go the SAPL to access things for free