Suggested Genealogical Resources for a Jewish Library

How-To Books


Reference Books


### Books on Jewish Names


Beider, Alexander. A Dictionary of Jewish Surnames from Galicia. Avotaynu, 2004. 624 pp. $85.00. 25,000 different surnames used by Jews in Galicia, showing etymology, districts within Galicia where they appeared, and variations of the names. [www.avotaynu.com/books/djsg.htm](http://www.avotaynu.com/books/djsg.htm)

Beider, Alexander. A Dictionary of Jewish Surnames from the Kingdom of Poland. Avotaynu, 1996. 608 pp. $69.50. More than 32,000 Jewish surnames with origins in that part of the Russian Empire known as the Kingdom of Poland, showing etymology, districts of the Kingdom where they appeared, and variations of the names. AJL Reference Book Award, 1996. [www.avotaynu.com/djskptoc.htm](http://www.avotaynu.com/djskptoc.htm)

Beider, Alexander. A Dictionary of Jewish Surnames from the Russian Empire. Avotaynu, 1993. 784 pp. $75.00. More than 50,000 Jewish surnames from the the Russian Empire, showing etymology, districts of the Empire where they appeared, and variations of the names. [www.avotaynu.com/djsretoc.htm](http://www.avotaynu.com/djsretoc.htm)

Avotaynu (Publisher/Periodical)


*Avotaynu on CD-ROM (1985-2002).* Every article that appeared in *Avotaynu* for the first 18 years. More than 2,300 articles accessible with a full-word search engine. $99.95.


On-line Resources

[www.apgen.org](http://www.apgen.org)  Association of Professional Genealogists including membership directory

[www.archives.gov/research_room/genealogy](http://www.archives.gov/research_room/genealogy)  National Archives genealogy page

[www.cjh.org](http://www.cjh.org)  Center for Jewish History

[www.cyndislist.com](http://www.cyndislist.com)  Comprehensive links to thousands of websites

[www.ellisisland.org](http://www.ellisisland.org)  Ellis Island passenger ship lists, 1892-1924 (*Use stevemorse.org to search!*)

[www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org)  FamilySearch Internet Genealogy Service (LDS Family History Library)

[www.iajgs.org](http://www.iajgs.org)  International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies

[www.jewishgen.org](http://www.jewishgen.org)  Online starting point for Jewish genealogists


[www.rtrfoundation.org](http://www.rtrfoundation.org)  Routes to Roots Foundation database of archives and Judaica in Eastern European archives

[www.stevemorse.org](http://www.stevemorse.org)  Searching tools to numerous important genealogical websites

[www.vitalrec.com](http://www.vitalrec.com)  Vital records information for entire U.S.