

When embarking on a genealogical quest into one's own family, one generally jumps right in without first considering that some - or perhaps most - of the available information may already exist in some form or another. There is nothing more frustrating than spending countless man-hours on research, only to discover that the information you were seeking already exists.

However, once it has been determined what, if any, previous research exists, the question to be asked is: What is the best and quickest method of tracing one's roots?

This task has become considerably easier with the advent of the World Wide Web, allowing the researcher access to search engines such as Google and many useful genealogy-related websites, but unfortunately there are also countless irrelevant websites that have to be navigated in the process.

This mammoth publication, the first of its kind in South Africa, serves as a comprehensive guide to genealogy-related electronic media sources such as websites, e-mail discussion lists, blogs, Facebook groups and a multitude of other sources, grouped together by topic, all of which make it much easier for the researcher to find and access the sources and information relevant to his or her particular quest.

Dr Jordaan is to be commended for making this publication available, and in so doing, making it easier for genealogists to find what they need on the World Wide Web.

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The most difficult part of genealogical research is probably knowing where to start. Although choosing the right person is often a struggle, an even greater challenge is knowing where to look. In this technological era in which we live, researchers often turn to the internet first. Over time, however, the WWW has grown into an enormous network of genealogical information. Not only does the web contain references to internet sources, but there are also other resources available, such as online payment services, mailing lists, social media, library catalogues, and many others. The purpose of this WWW Catalogue for the Genealogist is therefore to give some structure and guidance to the genealogical researcher when it comes to the search for relevant sources.

This catalogue contains references to almost 2000 websites. These in turn refer to a total of more than 30 000 other websites. In order to present this wealth of information in a meaningful way, the book has been divided up into 18 chapters, covering every possible genealogical theme. Researchers will find references to various types of source material, research and resources in numerous foreign countries, as well as a wide range of research institutes and archival preserves.

This is a useful and indeed indispensable manual for both the novice and the experienced genealogist.

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Some information on the author and his 11th book (24th ISBN), as well as the other two books on which he is currently working

- Former president of the Free State and Northern Cape branch of the Genealogical Society of South Africa
- In 1995, spent 45 days and travelled 9 500 km across 10 European countries in search of Jourdan/Jordaan ancestors
- In the last decade of the previous century, he was heavily criticised for his plans to hold a genealogical exhibition in 2001 (genealogical exhibitions are a common occurrence these days)
- Numerous articles in Familia, Bulletin, Majoires, and newspapers
- Papers presented at the Historical Association of SA
- 2005 genealogical register of Jordaans
- 2005 PhD titled: The Jordaan family: A historical analysis of their genealogy and the establishment of a tourism route in South Africa", and in book form: "Van Cabrieres D'Aigues tot Cap de Bonne Espérance
- Busy with 2nd edition, 21 020 (almost 64%) names added to initial 33 028
- Jordaan family crest registered at the Bureau
- FB group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/6507964203/multi_permalink=10155235600874204¬if_t=like¬if_id=1491990549522757..... Jordaan / Jourdan Familie Navorsing (family research)
- Member of the Genealogical Society of South Africa, the Huguenot Society, and several groups on social networks
- The author encountered the websites in the book during his reading work between 2009 and 2017
- Nominated as Bloemfonteiner of the Year in 1994

Iets oor die skrywer en sy 11de boek (24ste ISBN) en die ander twee waaraan hy tans werk

- Vormalige voorsitter van die Vrystaat en Noord-Kaaptak van SA Genealogiese Vereniging van SA
- Spandeer in 1995 45 dae en 9 500 km in tien lande in Europa op soek na die spore van Jourdan-/Jordaanvoorgeslagte
- Het in die laaste dekade van die vorige eeu heftige kritiek uitgelok toe hy genealogiese uitstalling in 2001 wou aanbied (vandag vind verskeie genealogiese uitstallings plaas)
- Verskeie artikels in Familia, Bulletin, Majoires en koerante
- Referate by die Historiese Vereniging van SA aangebied
- 2005 genealogiese register van Jordaans
- 2005 PhD met titel: The Jordaan family: A historical analysis of their genealogy and the establishment of a tourism route in South Africa and in book format...Van Cabrieres D'Aigues tot Cap de Bonne Espérance
- Besig met 2de uitgawe reeds 21 020 (bykans 64%) name bygevoeg by oorspronklike 33 028
- Geregistreerde Jordaanwapen by die Buro
- FB-groep: https://www.facebook.com/groups/6507964203/?multi_permalink=10155235600874204¬if_t=like¬if_id=1491990549522757..... Jordaan / Jourdan Familie Navorsing (family research)
- Lid van Genealogiese Genootskap van Suid-Afrika, Hugenote Vereniging en verskeie groepe op die sosiale netwerke
- Die skrywer het die webwerwe in die boek teëgekomp in van sy leeswerk tussen 2009-2017
- Word in 1994 genomineer as Bloemfonteiner van die jaar

Wanneer begin word met n genealogiese ondersoek na ons eie familie, spring ons sommer dadelik weg sonder om daaraan te dink dat daar moontlik reeds gedeeltes, of dalk die meeste van die verlangde inligting in een of ander vorm beskikbaar is. Niks is meer frustrerend as om tallose ure te bestee en uiteindelik uit te vind dat navorsing wat reeds bestaan, gedupliseer is nie.

Die vraag is egter: waar vind mens uit watter navorsing reeds gedoen is en as daar niks gedoen is nie, is daar 'n makliker manier om uit te vind waar jou wortels lê?

Met die koms van die wêreldwye web, is die taak vergemaklik en alhoewel mens soekenjins soos "Google" kan gebruik om van die betrokke webwerwe op te spoor, moet mens tog nog deur talle irrelevante webwerwe worstel.

Hierdie grootse publikasie, die eerste in sy soort in Suid-Afrika, verskaf 'n omvattende riglyn tot genealogies verwante elektroniese mediabronne soos webwerwe, e-pos, besprekingslyste, blogs, Facebook-groepe en 'n magdom ander bronne wat deur titels saamgegroepeer word, wat dit baie makliker maak om die bronne en inligting wat op jou soektog betrekking het, te vind en toegang daartoe te verkry.

Dr. Jordaan moet geloof word vir die beskikbaarstelling van die publikasie wat dit daardeur makliker gemaak het vir genealoë om op die World Wide Web te kry waarna hulle soek.

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Voormalige nasionale voorsitter van die Genealogiese Vereniging van Suid-Afrika
Stigter van die Suid-Afrikaanse Genealogiese webwerf
Stigter van die Suid-Afrikaanse Genealogiese e-pos besprekingsgroep
Stigter van die Suid-Afrikaanse Genealogiese Facebook-groep

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Die moeilikste deel van genealogiese navorsing is sekerlik om te weet waar om te begin. Alhoewel die keuse van die regte persoon dikwels hoofbrekens veroorsaak, is 'n groter uitdaging om te weet waar om daarvoor te soek. In die tegnologiese era waarbinne ons leef, gryp navorsers gewoonlik eerste na die internet. Met verloop van tyd het die WWW egter 'n reuse netwerk van genealogiese inligting geword. Die web het nie alleen verwysings na internetbronne nie, maar daar is ook ander hulpmiddele beskikbaar, soos hedendaagse betaaldienste, poslyste, sosiale media, biblioteekatalogi en vele ander. Die doel van hierdie Katalogus vir die WWW-Genealoog is dan juis om 'n bietjie struktuur en rigting aan die genealogiese navorser te gee wanneer dit kom by die soeke na relevante bronne.

Die katalogus bevat verwysings na bykans 2 000 webwerwe. Altesaam verwys dit sekerlik weer na meer as 30 000 ander webwerwe. Ten einde hierdie magdom inligting sinvol aan te bied, is die boek ingedeel in 18 hoofstukke, wat elke moontlike genealogiese tema dek. Navorsers kan verwysings vind na verskeie soorte bronmateriaal, navorsing en hulpmiddele in verskeie oorsese lande en 'n wye verskeidenheid van navorsingsinstansies en argivale bewaarplekke.

Dit is 'n nuttige en onontbeerlike handleiding vir enige beginner of gesoute en ervare genealoog.

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