

NEW Naturalisation and Denization Records

Did your ancestor move to Britain? Did they become a British citizen like the late celebrity food critic Egon Ronay or Nobel Prize Winner Elias Canetti? Find them in the new records on TheGenealogist!

Over 150,000 unique Naturalisation and Denization Records are now available on TheGenealogist with records ranging from 1609 to 1960, over 300 years worth of rare and hard to find records that are now available for family historians.

With over 145,000 records of overseas nationals achieving British Naturalisation plus over 5,000 Huguenot records now added as well, there's a wealth of unique information to access. Combined with the latest search technology, it's now possible to search and discover these records quickly and easily.

Before 1844, naturalisation was granted by a private act of parliament. This process of naturalisation was expensive and only a few could afford it. Denization on the other hand, although requiring a payment was a more affordable option.

Naturalisation records are an invaluable way of tracking down an ancestor who was born abroad and then settled in the UK. With the political and social upheavals over the last few centuries, many people have made the journey to the UK to start a new life.

There's a substantial chance that many family history researchers will discover they have ancestors who originated from overseas.

As well as providing the date an ancestor may have received British Naturalisation or Denization, other details are provided such as changing their name when they arrived in the UK, for example Jonas Kaluzevicius in our records changed his name to a more English John Smith! It's all listed within the extensive records of TheGenealogist.

For those researchers who knew their ancestors originated from abroad, or if it's a brand new surprising discovery, the new set of records provide more information on those previously hard to find records.

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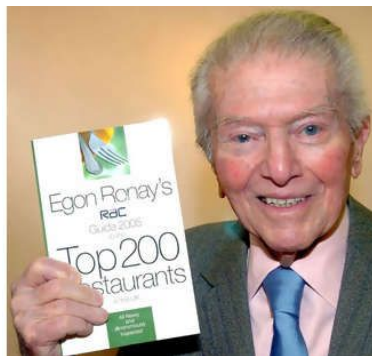
NEW NATURALISATION AND DENIZATION RECORDS

From people such as Egon Ronay, famous Hungarian born food critic, to Nobel Prize Winner, Elias Canetti to Baron Joseph Kagan, inventor of Gannex fabric coats, to many thousands of other naturalised citizens, their records are now available on TheGenealogist.

Before 1844, naturalisation was granted by a private Act of Parliament. Until 1844, the procedure for naturalisation was expensive and only a few could afford it. Those naturalised by an Act of Parliament received the rights of a natural-born British subject.

Denizations required a payment to become an English subject, protected by the Crown and English Law. Once granted denization, you were still subject to alien rates of tax, unable to vote, hold civil or military office or inherit land.

Egon Ronay, came from Budapest to the UK in 1946. His father's connections allowed him to get a management position at Prince's Restaurant in Piccadilly, London. He then took on a tea room near Harrods and his reputation grew from there.



Egon Ronay is found quickly and easily using the unique Master Search feature on TheGenealogist.

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Home Office Naturalisation Search

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Forename	Surname	Alternate Forename	Alternate Surname	Country	Date Certificate	Residence
Egon Miklos	Ronay			Hungary	7th February 1952	London

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We then find more information on his naturalisation record from the transcribed record.

Home Office Naturalisation Record

Record Type	Naturalization
Date	1952
Forename	Egon Miklos
Surname	Ronay
Residence	London
Country	Hungary
Date Certificate	7th February 1952

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After arriving in London in 1946, TheGenealogist allows us to see the details of Egon Ronay and how he became a 'fully fledged' naturalised British Citizen in 1952. Granted by the Secretary of State for the Home Office we can view a copy of the actual record in clear detail.

(i) Certificates granted by the Secretary of State for the Home Department—*continued*

Name	Country	Date of Certificate; Place of Residence; and No. of Certificate
Rogina, Maria	Austria	17/7/52; London; BNA 23327.
Roginkin, Feiga Fay	Russia	7/1/52; New Barnet, Hertfordshire; BNA 21555
Romotowski, Wacław	Poland	6/5/52; Glasgow, Lanarkshire; BNA 22601.
Ronay, Egon Miklos... ..	Hungary	7/2/52; London; BNA 21834.
Ronson, Jan	—	See Rzonca, Jan Jozef Tadeusz.

Over the last 100 years many people have arrived in Britain to start a new life. Finding their details is an important piece of research and TheGenealogist offers a fully searchable way of finding their details.

TheGenealogist also has a list of Huguenot records available to view. With the records stretching back to early 1600s, it is a fascinating insight into the records of European protestants escaping religious persecution and settling in Britain in the 17th and 18th Centuries. We have an example below of Stephen Romilly, who applied for Naturalisation here in 1704 and 1705. From a well known and distinguished Huguenot family, we see him listed on TheGenealogist (and also the fact his naturalisation application was not successful in 1704). Just by searching on the name 'Romilly' we are able to discover Stephen Romilly and his application for British naturalisation.

The screenshot shows the website's search interface. At the top is the logo for TheGenealogist.co.uk with navigation links: Search, TreeView, Research Log, Forum, Community, DNA New, My Account, Help, News, and Log Out. Below this is a search box titled 'Home Office Naturalisation Search' with fields for 'Forename' and 'Surname' (containing 'Romilly'), and 'Options: Exact' for both. A 'Search' button and a link to 'Show Advanced Search' are also present. Below the search box, it says 'Found 2 Results' with a '1' in a box. A table of results follows with columns: Forename, Surname, Alternate Forename, Alternate Surname, Country, Date Certificate, and Residence. The table contains two rows, both with 'Stephen' as the forename and 'Romilly' as the surname. Below the table, it says 'Found 2 Results' with a '1' in a box.

Clearly transcribed, we see his unsuccessful application first.

The screenshot shows a transcribed record titled 'Home Office Naturalisation Record'. It is a table with the following data:

Record Type	Naturalization Bill Which Did Not Pass
Date	1st February 1704
Forename	Stephen
Surname	Romilly
Fathers Name	Peter Romilly
Mothers Name	Katherine
Birth Place	Mompelier In Languedoc

Below the table are two buttons: 'View Original Image' and 'Save to Research Log'.

Then in 1705, we see his successful application in the transcribed records.

Home Office Naturalisation Record	
Record Type	Naturalization
Date	26th January 1705
Forename	Stephen
Surname	Romilly
Fathers Name	Peter Romilly
Mothers Name	Katherine
Birth Place	Montpellier, France

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A copy of the original from 1705 is available in a clear, high resolution image. Many of the records also give further information, in this case we are given the names of the parents of Stephen Romilly, including his birthplace as well.

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NATURALIZATIONS.

JOHN DE LA COURT (DELACOURT), son of Isaac De Lacourt, by Ann his wife, born at Tours in France.

JOHN BOULON, son of Bartholomew Boulon, by Jane his wife, born at Autun in France.

STEPHEN ROMILLY, son of Peter Romilly, by Katherine his wife, born at Montpeillier in France.

PAUL RONDELET, son of Peter Rondelet, by Mary his wife, born at Barbesieux in France.

LAURENCE RUSSELL, son of Laurence Russell, by Mary his wife, born at Rouen in the Province of Normandy, in France.

PETER CHAMPION DE CREPIGNY (CRESPIGNY), son of Claude Champion de Crepigny, by Mary his wife, born at Vierville in Normandy, in France.

PETER QUANTITEAU, son of Peter Quantiteau, by Mary his wife, born at Meize in France.

As well as providing the date an ancestor may have received British Naturalisation, other details are provided such as changing ones name when you arrive in the UK. In this case, Jonas Kaluzevicius from Lithuania uses the name of 'John Smith' once in the UK and this is discovered in his record from 1958.

Jonas	Kaluzevicius	John	Smith	Lithuania	18th March 1958	Ilkeston, Derbyshire	 
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