



Introduction to using the Finnish website DIGITAALIARKISTO (The National Archives of Finland)

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This class is designed to teach family history researchers how to find people in the Finnish website DIGITAALIARKISTO (The National Archives of Finland).

Objectives:

Patrons will be able to find people in Birth and Christening Records, Church Records, Communion Records, Marriage Records, Death Records, as well as Pre-Confirmation Records for Finland.

Background:

Finland is a Nordic country in Northern Europe bordered by Sweden, Norway, Russia, and Estonia. Before 1809 Finland was a part of Sweden. From 1809 to 1917 it belonged to the Russian Empire. Finnish and Swedish are the official languages spoken in Finland.

General Information:

The Digital Archives of Finland is the National Archives' storage and presentation system for digitized documents. Approximately 3.7 million files containing material from the National Archives' were digitized in 2009 through a designated allowance granted by the Ministry of Education. During the digitizing project in 2010 about 5.5 million files was digitized, mainly church records.

Please note that regular maintenance tasks are performed in the Digital Archive on the second Monday of each month. There may be short gaps in access to the database during the maintenance window, which is scheduled to begin at 8 AM and lasts no longer than four hours.

Their website: http://digi.narc.fi/digi/?lang=en_US

Getting started (Birth and Christening Records):

Go to the website http://digi.narc.fi/digi/?lang=en_US Next click on "Search"

- Click on "tree view"
- Chose a parish or congregation from the list
- Click on the name of a "Parish" (Here I used Alahärmän Parish)

- Choose from the list:

1. Pää- ja rippikirjat	Communion Records
2. Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot	Birth and Christening Records
3. Rippilasten luettelot	Pre-Confirmation Records
4. Vihittyjen luettelot	Marriage Records
5. Kuolleiden ja haudattujen luettelot	Death and Burial Records

Here we will choose:

- Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot Birth and Christening Records

Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot -Serie's archival units:

Alahärmän seurakunta

Alahärmän seurakunnan arkisto

Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot

Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot 1700-1759 (1700-1707, 1734-1727)
[VAKKA-arkistotietokanta](#)

Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot 1778-1797
[VAKKA-arkistotietokanta](#)

Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot 1798-1821
[VAKKA-arkistotietokanta](#)

 Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot 1822-1842
[VAKKA-arkistotietokanta](#)


Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot 1843-1856
[VAKKA-arkistotietokanta](#)

Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot 1857-1876
[VAKKA-arkistotietokanta](#)

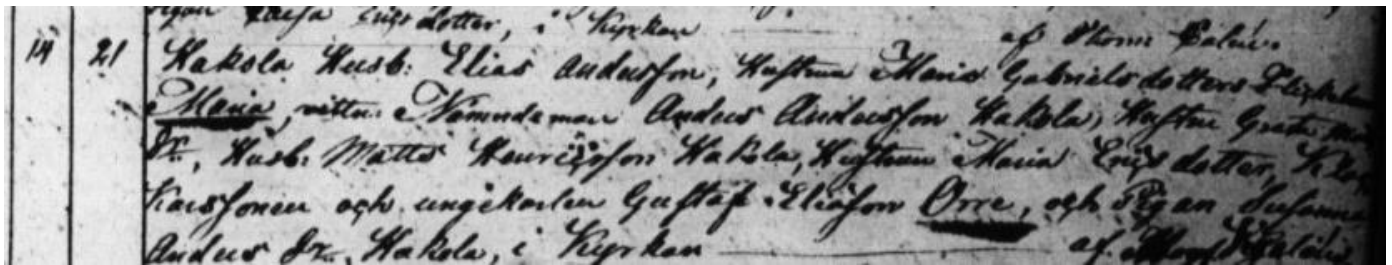
- Click on the link Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot 1822-1842
- Click on no. 63 from the list below.

Archival units:
Syntyneiden ja kastettujen luettelot 1822-1842

Digitized sections:

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Here is the birth and christening record for Maria born 14 May, and christened 21 May 1826, the daughter of Elias Andersson and wife Maria Gabrielsdotter



Courtesy of the Digital Archives of The National Archives of Finland

Using this same pattern see if you can find people in

- Birth and Christening Records
- Communion Records
- Pre-Confirmation Records
- Marriage Records
- Death and Burial Records

You may also want to check out other online records for Finland:

- Hiski Project. The Genealogical Society of Finland. Index:
<http://hiski.genealogia.fi/historia/indexe.htm>
- Finland's Family History Association Church Records, FFHA. Mostly free:
http://www.sukuhistoria.fi/sshy/index_eng.htm
- Digihakemisto: Digitized Church, Court, and more in Finnish and Swedish:
<http://digihakemisto.appspot.com/>
- Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Parish Records (Finnish National Archives):
<http://digi.narc.fi/digi/search.ka>