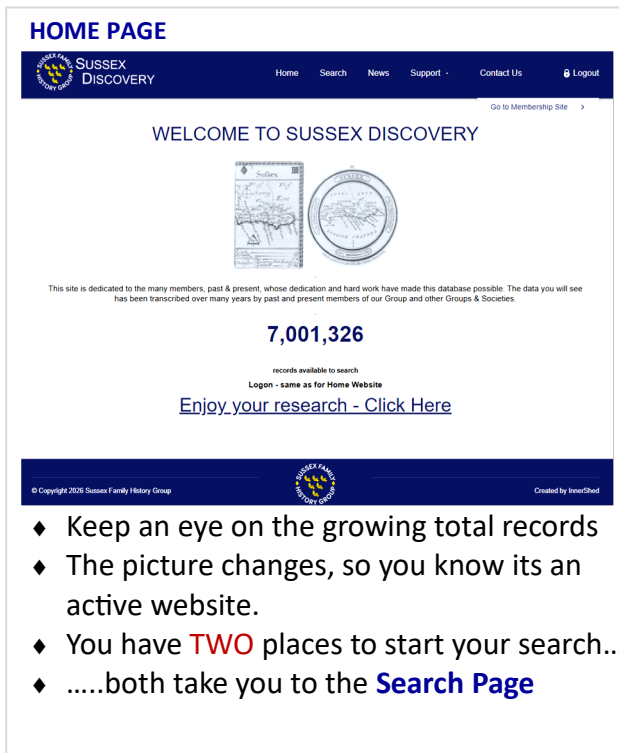


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HOME PAGE



WELCOME TO SUSSEX DISCOVERY

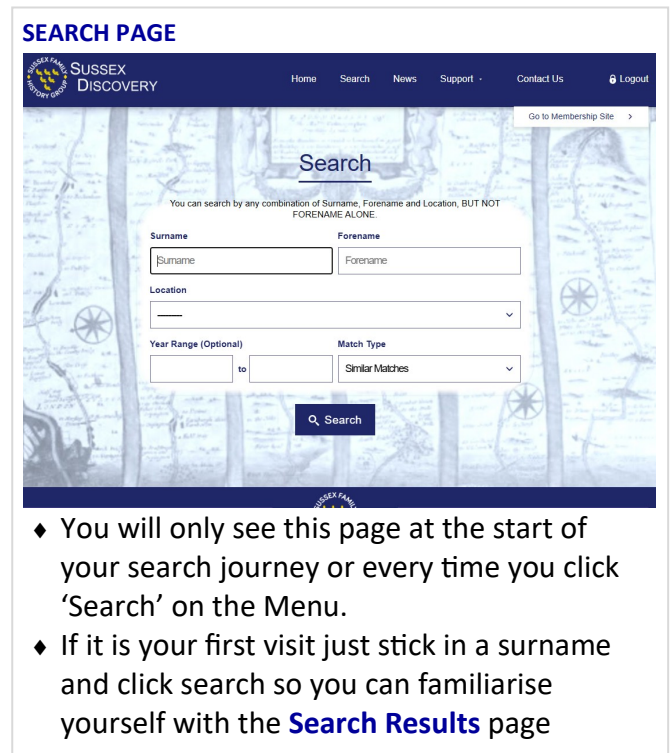
7,001,326
records available to search

Logon - same as for Home Website

[Enjoy your research - Click Here](#)

- ◆ Keep an eye on the growing total records
- ◆ The picture changes, so you know its an active website.
- ◆ You have **TWO** places to start your search...
- ◆both take you to the **Search Page**

SEARCH PAGE



You can search by any combination of Surname, Forename and Location, BUT NOT FORENAME ALONE.

Surname:

Forename:

Location:

Year Range (Optional): to

Match Type:

- ◆ You will only see this page at the start of your search journey or every time you click 'Search' on the Menu.
- ◆ If it is your first visit just stick in a surname and click search so you can familiarise yourself with the **Search Results** page

GENERAL TIPS

- ◆ You must use either **Surname** or **Location** in your search.
 - ◆ Any combination of **Surname**, **Forename** & **Location** may be used EXCEPT **Forename** alone.
 - ◆ **Surname** & **Forename** require at least 3 letters.
 - ◆ If you enter 2 names they will be searched for separately
 - ◆ **Reset** will clear ALL fields
 - ◆ Choose **Location** from the drop-down list.
 - ◆ Type the first letter of a location to jump down the list.
 - ◆ To clear a location, choose the 'dashes' at the top of the list.
 - ◆ When you enter a **Year**, you can adjust it using the arrows to the right.
 - ◆ Remember to fill in BOTH year fields!
 - ◆ Don't forget to choose how you would like to **Match** the surname/forename.
 - ◆ **Similarity** - Matches names with similar components eg Brown and Browne
 - ◆ **Exact** - Matches names precisely with what you have entered
 - ◆ **Regular Expression** - Picks up patterns in names
- See page 3 for help with 'matches'*

Location

ALBOURNE

ALCISTON

Year Range (Optional)

Match Type

Similar Matches

Similar Matches

Exact Matches

Regular Expression

SEARCH RESULTS PAGE

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Surname: Burgess Forename: Forename Location:
 Year Range (Optional): to Match Type: Similar Matches Reset Search

You can search by any combination of Surname, Forename and Location, BUT NOT FORENAME ALONE.

◆ These are the same criteria available on the previous screen

We found **11,390 records** similar to **Burgess** in **928 transcribed files**.
You can filter your results below.

◆ Number of results found for criteria given
◆ FILTERS available to narrow the search

Home > Results

All Results Baptisms Marriages Burials Inscriptions Census MyTree Names Wills Other >

453 results	BUXTED St Margaret the Queen Baptisms 1565 to 1900	View >
217 results	Sussex Family Historian	View >
209 results	BRIGHTON St Peter Baptisms 1840 to 1901	View >
181 results	HARTFIELD St Mary Baptisms 1594 to 1900	View >
	EAST HOATHLY Parish Church Baptisms	

◆ List of Data Sets where results are located, in order of number found.
◆ Click '**VIEW**' to drill down into results

ONLY MEMBERS can see beyond the **Search Results Page**

NB. Don't forget to scroll

SEARCH RESULTS: DATA SET VIEW

Surname: Burgess Forename: Forename Location:
 Year Range (Optional): to Match Type: Similar Matches Reset Search

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Transcript of BRIGHTON St Peter Baptisms - 1840 to 1901

◆ Transcription and Reference Details

Transcribed by: Members of Sussex Family History Group prior to 2017 Members will continue to review and amend as necessary together with adding further records.

The records have been transcribed from Parish Registers and in some cases Bishops Transcripts. The original documents are held by the East Sussex Records Office located in The Keep Brighton / Falmer and can be viewed in Ancestry.co.uk which is free in Sussex libraries. Archive references PAR 277 / 1 / 2 / 1 - 23

◆ Results are sorted by date initially, however...
You can now **SORT** on each of the column headings.

Home > Results > BRIGHTON St Peter Baptisms

Date: ▾	Role: ▾	Surname: ▾	Forename: ▾	Recorded Forename: ▾	DoB: ▾	
27th Jul 1851	Son	BURGESS	William John	No Data	No Data	More Info >
27th Jul 1851	Father	BURGESS	Robert	No Data	No Data	More Info >
27th Jul 1851	Mother	BURGESS	Charlotte	No Data	No Data	More Info >
20th Mar 1853	Daughter	BURGESS	Edith Mary	No Data	No Data	More Info >
20th Mar 1853	Father	BURGESS	John	No Data	No Data	More Info >

◆ Click '**MORE INFO**' to view remainder of the information

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SEARCH TIPS

Match Type

Similar Matches ▾

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SIMILAR MATCHES

- ◆ General searching using the expected range of potential matches
- ◆ Looks at the letters used and expected similar spellings
- ◆ Includes partial and full matches

e.g. Brow, Brown, Browne, Browning, Brownly

Match Type

Similar Matches ▾

Similar Matches

Exact Matches

Regular Expression

WILDCARDS

- ◆ Choose **EXACT MATCHES** for Wildcards to work
- ◆ Wildcards increase the chance of results where the exact spelling or length of a name is not known.
- ◆ Both name fields accept Wildcards.
- ◆ Wildcards are symbols that replace single or multiple unknown letters

eg. Franc?s = Francis or Frances

eg, Fran* = Francis, Frances, Frank, Francesca

	Represents one letter		Represents multiple letters
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- ◆ Use combinations for multiple differences

eg W*lv?n = Wolvin, Wollvin, Woolvin, Woollvin, Woolven, Woollven etc.

Match Type

Similar Matches ▾

Similar Matches

Exact Matches

Regular Expression

PATTERN-BASED SEARCH

- ◆ Choose Match Type **REGULAR EXPRESSION**
- ◆ This is a sequence of characters that specifies a match pattern in text.
- ◆ Both name fields accept Pattern-Based searches.

eg. ^Will = names starting with "Will" ie Williams, Willis, Willett, Willard, Willmar, Willson

eg. son\$ = Hanson, Johnson, Parson, Robertson, Thompson

eg. Sm[iy]th = Smith or Smyth

	Starts with		Ends with		Contains these options
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NEWS PAGE

- ◆ Updates and additions are announced here at regular intervals
- ◆ Plus explanations, information and changes



SUPPORT PAGE

- ◆ Divided into 4 sections to offer advice, tips and resources
- ◆ These pages will be updated regularly with additional support and materials

Support

Thank you for visiting

1. General Advice
2. Frequently Asked Questions

NB. These pages are very much a work in progress

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2. Results: Filters & Navigation

The results page tells you how many records have been found. It lists them in descending order of results and in which location.

We found 4,366 records similar to Smith for BRIGHTON in 95 transcribed files. You can filter your results below.

Home Results

BRIGHTON 1851 Census

However, it can display up to 100 datasets so it's important to use the filters (shown above) and the navigation (below).

Page 1 of 16, 1594 items in total

1 2 3 4 5 Next View all

Search Tips

1. General Tips
2. Wildcards
3. Pattern-based search

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Year Range (Optional)

Helpful Resources

'Search Tips & Data' Handout

Issued at the Conference to support the SSX Discovery Presentation

[Handout](#)

Sussex Parish Map

Credit: Based on 'the Map of Sussex Parishes as at 1894' from An Historical Atlas

Brian Short and Susan Rowland

[Parish Map Download](#)

Data Content Catalogue

[SSX Discovery April 2026 Catalogue.pdf](#)