

## Scotland Overview



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## You simply CANNOT...

...do Scottish genealogy properly using Ancestry.com, Family Search, Find My Past, My Heritage, Geni and all the other commercial websites/databases.

That's not their fault – they just don't have the records.

**So who does?**

- ScotlandsPeople - [www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk](http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk)
- ScotlandsPlaces - [www.scotlandsplaces.gov.uk](http://www.scotlandsplaces.gov.uk)
- National Library of Scotland – [www.nls.uk](http://www.nls.uk)
- (to an extent) the National Records of Scotland and associated sites – [www.nrs.gov.uk](http://www.nrs.gov.uk)

## What you can expect

- We will run four Topics on each of five consecutive days.
- Each one is covered by a “handout” consisting of Notes plus a PDF of every PowerPoint slide I will show. This will avoid you having to take copious notes.
- The Days and Topics are summarised in an accompanying document.
- Each Topic will last 45 minutes or so, to allow for questions, and a five-minute break.



## Day 1 - “What’s where?”

### Sources and methods

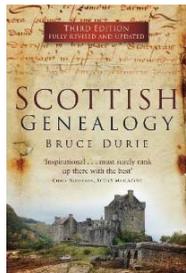
This will be an introduction to subjects we'll cover in more depth on the other days.

- 1.1 – Introduction – Who are the Scots? (Not as simple as it sounds!)
- 1.2 – Introduction to Scottish Records
- 1.3 – Finding people
- 1.4 – Surnames (Not everybody is a Mc or Mac)

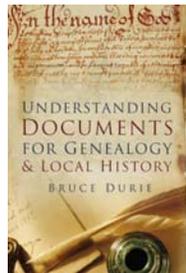




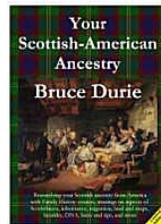
## Relevant books by Dr. Bruce Durie



Scottish Genealogy  
The History Press  
4th Edn 2017



Documents for Genealogy  
& Local History  
The History Press



Your Scottish-American  
Ancestry (Limited Edition)

[www.bruce-durie.co.uk/books.html](http://www.bruce-durie.co.uk/books.html)

## Thank you for your kind attention



**See you in October!**

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