Agnone

Website Questions & Answers

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Who's Our Intended Audience and User-base?

We've posted Family Group Records for thousands of Agnonese families from the 17th to the 20th centuries. We expect our site to be used by descendants and genealogists with connections to Agnone.

What is a Family Group Record?

A Family Group Record is a spreadsheet that contains the results of our research from the genealogical books and records for a specific family. The research comes from all 485+ books, both civil & religious from Agnone, often back to the start of the 17th century. Since the records often have conflicting and inconsistent spelling of names/dates, at the top of the Family Group Record is a summary of the conclusions for that family. We've added these conclusions to FamilySearch. We've created an in-depth YouTube video which explains Family Group Records. You can find this tutorial on AgnoneGenealogy.com (the website you found this document) under *AgnoneGenealogy.com > Video Tutorials*.

What applications do I need? Excel? Google Sheets?

We recommend using Excel (part of Microsoft Office 365), or, as a free and open-source alternative, LibreOffice Calc (part of the LibreOffice Suite). These applications have been tested to ensure that our spreadsheets are compatible and look consistent. Our spreadsheets contain lots of information, all from 400,000+ rows of data that has been indexed from the 485+ genealogical books, with one row for each baptism, marriage, death, or census record made by the priest or civil clerk. Excel and LibreOffice Calc can handle searching these spreadsheets. In our experience, Google Sheets is not adequate.

Why did you select Excel and FamilySearch?

We selected Excel/LibreOffice Calc and FamilySearch since they are expected to survive through the next century and other programs may not. These can be found at Microsoft Office 365 (https://office.com) and LibreOffice (https://libreoffice.org).

Can this database be placed into a commercial genealogy program?

Yes! We highly recommend that serious genealogists do so! Since it makes finding names and relationships much easier. To import the GEDCOM, first download it from *AgnoneGenealogy.com > Research Tools*. The GEDCOM file contains all the names from the Family Group Records (near 15,000 as of December 2020) with only the vital information. Various modifications and details available on most commercial genealogy programs are not included since they're often lost in the GEDCOM import/export process. Other than the basic vital information, only one general note is

provided, and that note lists all Family Group Records that mention that individual. By then going to the referenced Family Group Record (particularly those with an "+" at the end), you can see all the found references to that person, along with the variations in name spelling and dates.

I cannot find the person I am looking for. Help?

If you're having trouble, on the "Research Tools" page, find the Document "Surnames – Check for Variations" *AgnoneGenealogy.com > Research Tools*. It'll aid you in looking for various of the surname spelling, since prefixes were used inconsistently, and the spelling of surnames evolved and changed. After you've determined the various surnames, consult the document "Agnone – All Persons Included in Family Group Records" and follow its instructions. You may also use our GEDCOM file and search it using a Genealogy program. If all else fails, it's possible that the person you're looking for has not yet been included in a Family Group Record.

Is there a Family Group Record for everyone that lived in Agnone?

Sadly, no. The Family Group Records currently include over 20,000 persons. We add additional Family Group Records each week. Our best estimate is that this constitutes around 25% of all those who lived in Agnone from the 17th century to the early 19th century.

Colors on Family Group Records are weird?

To assist us in our research, we've adopted a color scheme of light green for the principal, light blue for the father, light pink for the mother, etc., with the color code listed on each Family Group Record. Your computer may show these colors completely differently. If it bothers you, you can create the same color options we've used in around 10 minutes by watching our tutorial video on *AgnoneGenealogy.com > Video Tutorials*.

Why are some columns so small? How to expand them?

There's many columns in each Family Group Record, some columns are rarely used. To allow the entire Family Group Record to show on a computer screen, columns that are not often used are temporarily made narrow. If you want to review the information that is included in that column, you can widen it, as shown in the tutorial video on Family Group Records on *AgnoneGenealogy.com > Video Tutorials*.