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Tracing Your London Ancestors: A Guide for Family Historians, Jonathan Oates, Pen & Sword Family History, 2011, 942.1 OAT. Thorough, detailed, excellent bibliography.

A Guide to Ancestral Research in London, Phillip B. Dunn, privately printed, 1995, 929.1072042 DUN. Although dated provides a detailed guide to the resources.

Research in London Part I: Researching London Ancestors (Basic facts about), Lilian Gibbens, Federation of Family History Societies, 2001, 929.3421 GIB

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A Dictionary of London Place Names, A.D. Mills, Oxford University Press, 2004, 914.21003 MIL

Ben Jonson's London: A Jacobean Place-Name Dictionary, Fran C. Chalfant, University of Georgia Press, 1978, 914.21003 CHA

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The Thames about 1750, Hugh Phillips, Collins, 1951, 942.1 PHI

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London Parish Map: A Map of the Ecclesiastical Divisions within the County of London: 1903, Publication No. 155, London Topographical Society, 1999, 911.421 LON. A gem. Church of England parishes for the Dioceses of London, Middlesex, Rochester and Southwark, with the location of churches marked.

The Registers of St James, Clerkenwell; Vol. 1, Christenings, 1551-1700; Vol. 2 Christenings, 1701-1754; Vol. 4, Burials, 1551-1665; edited by Robert Hovenden, The Publications of the Harleian Society, Register Section, 1884, 1885 and 1891 (respectively), 942.1 REG, V1, V2, V4.

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Necropolis: London and Its Dead, Catharine Arnold, Pocket Books, 2007, 393 ARN

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Social History, Occupations, Workhouses and the Poor

London: A Social History, Roy Porter, Harvard University Press, 1998, 942.1 POR. From the Reformation to Thatcher's London.

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1700: Scenes from London Life, Maureen Waller, Holder and Stoughton, 2001, 942.1 WAL

Lists of Londoners, third edition, Jeremy Gibson and Heather Creaton, Federation of Family History Societies, 1999, 929.3421 GIB

London Middlesex and Surrey Workhouse Records: A Guide to their Nature and Location, Cliff Webb, West Surrey Family History Society, Reprinted 1998, 929.3421 WEB

London's East End: Life and Traditions, Jane Cox, George Wiedenfeld & Nicolson Ltd., 1994, 942.125 COX

General Resources

British Newspaper Archives: a subscription for one user at a time has been provided in the Reference Room of the City of Ottawa Archives by BIFHSGO. Speak to the city archives staff to arrange access when you visit.

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