

PHILLIPS DNA PROJECT AND ONE-NAME STUDY

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- As of September 1, 2009, we have over 400 participants from all around the world in the Phillips DNA Project and One-Name Study.
- More than 50 distinct, unrelated Phillips families in the United Kingdom, Republic of Ireland, United States, Canada and many other countries have been identified through DNA analysis.
- There are over 300 Phillips family lineages in our database. The surname Phillips is ranked the 43rd most common surname in **England** and **Wales**.



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In 1891, 5% of the population of Pembroke, 4% of the population of Carmarthen, and 11% of the population of Glamorgan carried the Phillips surname

In 1891, 15% of the population of London was named Phillips, which represented the largest concentration

In 1891, Cornwall, Devon and Hampshire had 3% each of Phillips families

- The surname Phillips and its many variations are believed to be patronymic, which means they were originally derived from the male first name Philip or Phillip. Adding an “s” to the end of Philip or Phillip causes the name to mean “son of Philip” or “son of Phillip.” The first name Philip or Phillip is from the Greek and it means “friend of horses.”

- When considering the origins of the surname along with the DNA analysis of over 400 men named Phillips or some variation of Phillips, it becomes obvious a great many unrelated men who had fathers named Philip or Phillip adopted some variation of the surname as permanent surnames gradually came into existence in Europe from 1000 AD to 1800 AD.





In addition to uncovering unknown recent relatives, DNA analysis can also reveal one's deep ancestry. An Anglo-Saxon Phillips family with roots in Birmingham, England discovered that they share the same DNA as some well-preserved 3,000 year-old Bronze Age skeletons found in Lichtenstein Cave in the foothills of the Harz Mountains in Germany's Lower Saxony. This Phillips family can now claim to belong to the longest family tree discovered to date in the world!



How to participant in the Phillips DNA Project and One-Name Study

1. Recruit a male Phillips member of your Phillips family to submit his cheek cells for a DNA test. This is a painless procedure that only involves swabbing the inside of your cheek in the privacy of your own home. Phillips women cannot donate their DNA because women do not have yDNA.
2. Register with our website to receive announcements and news reports. You can also order your test kit from our website. Our website is at www.phillipsdnaproject.com
3. Submit your known Phillips family tree to the administrators of the project to be posted on our yLineages Page. You can submit your Phillips family tree without finding a male Phillips family member who will take the DNA test, although we highly recommend DNA testing to confirm your Phillips family tree. Click on the yLineages tab on our website to view Phillips pedigrees of our current members.
4. DNA donors will receive DNA results indicating whether or not they match one of our existing Phillips family groups or another unmatched member in the project. Even if the donor does not initially match anyone in the project, he will receive notification of matches as other members join our project.
5. **If you are a man named Phillips or any variation of Phillips and you live in the UK, Ireland or elsewhere in Europe, you may qualify for a free yDNA test if you are willing to provide a five generation Phillips pedigree. Please contact us if you are interested.**