

Date & Identify Your Family History Photos

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Tools

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Magnifying glass

<https://www.preservationequipment.com/Catalogue/Instruments/Microscopes-Magnifiers/Large-Magnifying-Glass-P610-0045>

Pencils

<https://amzn.eu/d/fy8ohFy>

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Digital callipers

<https://amzn.eu/d/gvBZl2o>

About MyHeritage Photo Dater

<https://www.myheritage.com/help-center?a=What-is-PhotoDater-tm-and-how-does-it-work---id--kRRrmbewQUyybCKZB-SYHw>

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10-step Photogenealogy Date & Identify method:

1. Context

As explained in the talk.

2. Look for the obvious

As explained in the talk.

3. Photographic process

Image Permanence Institute (2023) *Graphics Atlas: Identifying photographic processes.*

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4. Photographic type

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6. Fronts

Victorian Image Collection (2023) *Photographers of Great Britain & Ireland 1840-1940: Cartomania 4: An Introduction to dating Cartes de Visite, Cartomania 6: Victorian Photographic Studio Backgrounds & Cartomania 8: Victorian Photographic Studio Furniture.*
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7. Fashion

FindMyPast (2020) *Dating Old Photographs – Expert Q&A.*
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National Records of Scotland (2022) *Using fashion to date old photos: Some hints & tips.*
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The Victoria and Albert Museum (2023) *From the Collections.*
<https://www.vam.ac.uk/collections.>

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Shrimpton, J. (2023) *Jayne's Blog.*
<https://jayneshrimpton.co.uk/blog/>

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<https://www.family-tree.co.uk/store/back-issues/family-tree-magazine/>

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<https://www.whodoyouthinkyouaremagazine.com/magazine/>

8. Occasion

As explained in the talk.



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9. Photo combining

As explained in the talk.

10. Names to faces & faces to names

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<https://weare.xyz/>

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Apple Photos
<https://www.apple.com/uk/ios/photos/>

Mylio
<https://mylio.com/>

Adobe Lightroom
<https://www.adobe.com/uk/products/photoshop-lightroom/campaign/pricing.html>

Phototheca
<https://lunarship.com/face-recognition/>

Related Faces
<https://relatedfaces.com/>

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