

TRACING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

Using family photographs

Family Photographs

Family photographs are extremely important. Sometimes important information can simply be found written on the back of old photographs. You may find names and dates.



Many early photos are printed on cards with the name and location of the photographer which can tell you where to look for your family in official records.

The mechanical eye in Australia: photography 1841 – 1900 by Alan Davies and Peter Stanbury.



Clues may come from the types of clothing worn by your ancestors.

Dating family photos by Lenore Frost

Don't forget to look at the background.

See the old houses and the telegraph pole in the photo above.