

Surrey Heritage

Black History Month: A Bibliography

October is Black History Month! Surrey Heritage supports this annual international awareness campaign but records and celebrates the lives of our county's diverse communities all year round through its library and archive collections, and website <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/surreyhistorycentre>.

For centuries Black people have lived and worked in Surrey, or passed through it en-route to London and the coast. The books and periodicals listed below give a flavour of how you can research Black History using our websites and the Local Studies Library collection at Surrey History Centre, in Woking. Our collections are free to use and open to all. Further books can be found by searching the online Surrey Libraries Catalogue at <https://www.surreylibraries.org/>.



General & Biography

Frow, Mayerline, **Roots of the future: ethnic diversity in the making of Britain**, CRE, 1996.

Laver, Ann, **Sugar, slaves and Surrey**, dissertation, 2001.

Gill, Anton, **Empire's children: trace your family history across the World**, Harper, 2007

Equiano, Olaudah, **The interesting narrative and other writings**, edited by V. Carretta, Penguin, 2003.

Morgan, Kenneth, **Guide to the microfilm edition of papers relating to the Jamaica estates of the Goulburn Family**, Microform Academy Publishers, 2008.

Craft, William and Ellen, **Running a thousand miles for freedom**, first published, 1860

Bourne Stephen, **Britain's Black Community and the Great War: Black Poppies**, The History Press, 2014.

Equiano, Olaudah, **The interesting narrative and other writings**, edited by V. Carretta, Penguin, 2003.

Dabydeen, David and Gilmore, John, **The Oxford companion to black British history**, OUP, 2015

Family History Guides

Kershaw, Roger and Pearson, Mark, **Immigrants and aliens: a guide to sources on UK immigration and citizenship**, PRO, 2004.

Kershaw, Roger **Migration Records: a guide for family historians**, The National Archives, 2009.

Gandy, Michael, **Family history cultures and faiths**, National Archives, 2007.

Grannum, Guy, **Tracing your West Indian ancestors**, PRO, 2002 .



The following periodicals may also be of use:

Ancestors, Issue 10, October/November 2002, contains an article 'Tracing African slave ancestors' by Paul Crooks.

Practical Family History, Armstrong, Boon and Marriot, 1998 to date.

Wandsworth Historian, issue 42, Sep 1984, 'Black People in 17th and 18th Century Putney'.

Online resources

The online family history sites [Ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com) and [Findmypast.co.uk](https://www.findmypast.co.uk) contain a vast range of records and guides and are free to use at Surrey libraries and Surrey History Centre. Our online guide to tracing Black History, featuring archives in our collections, will also help you <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/culture-and-leisure/history-centre/researchers/guides/tracing-black-history>. Our **Exploring Surrey's Past** website features Black History theme pages uncovering all aspects of Black History in Surrey, from slavery and abolition, to industry and literature. The website features a full list of online sources for researching the subject accompanied by research resources, further reading and useful links. Find this online at https://www.exploringsurreyspast.org.uk/themes/subjects/black_history/.

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