

# German Wanderers: Migrations to/from the Black Sea Region

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## Research on Poland and Prussia

- *Germans from Russia Settlement Locations* ([www.germansfromrussiasettlementlocations.org/p/maps.html](http://www.germansfromrussiasettlementlocations.org/p/maps.html) : accessed 19 February 2022). A great source for identifying the village where your ancestors lived in the Polish area that was Prussia.
- “Villages and Maps” at *The Society of German Genealogy in Eastern Europe* ([https://www.sggee.org/research/village\\_maps.html](https://www.sggee.org/research/village_maps.html) : accessed 19 February 2022). If you can’t find your village on the Germans from Russia Settlement Locations site, there are additional resources here.
- “Researching Poland/Prussia” at *Black Sea German Research* ([www.blackseagr.org/learn\\_poland.html](http://www.blackseagr.org/learn_poland.html) : accessed 19 February 2022). An overview of resources to use to research your Black Sea ancestors who came from areas of Poland.
- *The Society for German Genealogy in Eastern Europe* ([www.sggee.org/](http://www.sggee.org/) : accessed 19 February 2022). This group has a great set of resources for Volhynia and “Russian Poland” plus very helpful members on their Facebook page.
- *Polish State Archives* ([www.szukajwarchiwach.gov.pl/en/strona\\_glowna](http://www.szukajwarchiwach.gov.pl/en/strona_glowna) : accessed 19 February 2022). The Polish State Archives has done a tremendous amount of work to put records online.
- Kneifel, Dr. Eduard, *Geschichte der Evangelisch-Augsburgischen Kirche in Polen and Die evangelisch lutherische Gemeinde Brzezinyea* ([www.eduardkneifel.eu/](http://www.eduardkneifel.eu/) : accessed 19 February 2022). Various publication dates. This author has a series of books on Lutheran congregations in Poland.

## Research on the Donauschwaben

- *Donauschwaben Villages Helping Hands* ([www.dvhh.org](http://www.dvhh.org) : accessed 12 January 2022). This is the single best English-language source for Donauschwaben history, genealogy, and networking with helpful researchers.
- *Arbeitskries donauschwäbischer Familienforscher e.V.* ([www.akdff.de](http://www.akdff.de) : accessed 12 January 2022). AKDFF has an extensive library in Sindelfingen, Germany, and is a center for many publications and research assistance about the Donauschwaben.

- Stader, Stefan. *Sammelwerk donauschwäbischer Kolonisten*. Sindelfingen, Germany: Arbeitskreis donauschwäbischer Familienforscher e.V. 1997+. 9 volumes. This nine-volume set of books compiles references from multiple archive records into one huge reference volume documenting the origins of Donauschwaben settlers. All nine volumes are available for purchase from AKDFF. All volumes are available from the Family History Library (with volumes 1, 2, 3, 6 also available on microfilm).
  - “Ortsfamilienbücher (Online)” at *AKDFF* ([www.akdff.de/wp/ortssippenbuch-neu](http://www.akdff.de/wp/ortssippenbuch-neu) : accessed 12 January 2022). These books usually contain a history of the village and genealogy information about families in the village.
  - “Emigrant Reference Books,” on *Donauschwabien Villages Helping Hands* ([https://dvhh.org/genealogy/3.emigrant\\_ref\\_books.htm](https://dvhh.org/genealogy/3.emigrant_ref_books.htm) : accessed 12 January 2022).
  - “Regions: Banat” at *Foundation for East European History Studies* (<https://feefhs.org/index.php/regions/49> : accessed 12 January 2022). Numerous links to resources for the Banat region.
  - Fischer, Henry A. *Children of the Danube*. (Bloomington, Indiana: AuthorHouse). 2004. A descriptive history (illustrated with stories from the author’s family) of the journey down the Danube, with focus on settlements in Schwäbische Türkei. (Fischer has written a number of books about the Donauschwaben in addition to this book.)
- Tullius, Nick. “A Short History of the Danube Swabians.” 13 February 2013. *Donauschwabien Helping Hands Project* ([www.dvhh.org/history/1700s/DS-history~tullius.htm](http://www.dvhh.org/history/1700s/DS-history~tullius.htm) : accessed 12 January 2022).