Norwegian and Swedish Forest Finn Research

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- Check Church records to identify your ancestor – parish and farm
  - Look for Finnish family names!
- Check the Norwegian bygdebøker for possible Finnish names.
- Utilize Finnskog Reference Books. (See book list).
  - Try to tie into the 1823 time period and Gottlund’s 1823 census book. *C.A. Gottlunds Folkmängden på Finnskoger från 1823*.
  - Once the farm is identified, use the Jarl Ericson books.
- Use unique sources, such as tax records which are one of the best sources to find genealogical information in Norway, Sweden, and Finland.
- Take a Family Tree DNA test, as they have a Forest Finn DNA Project.
- Contact Finnskog experts to check their databases. Coordinate with Elaine at hasletonee@familysearch.org
- DNA steps:
  - Be sure to submit your pedigree to Family Tree DNA
  - Use Family Finder to help determine if it’s likely or not
Exceptional books to expand your knowledge about the Forest Finns.

- *The Forest Finns of Scandinavia* by Maud Wedin
- *Forest Finn Encounters* by Oppenheim, Florence and Daniel Svensson.

Give back by sharing your family information.

Unique source content:
- Church records (*Kirkebøker*)
- Tax records (*Skatteregister*)
- Inventory records (*Skifter*)
- Old maps (*Gamle karter*)
- Legal records (*Juridiska register*)
- Military sources (*Militære kilder/Militære ruller*)

Special unique sources:
- 1636 Household Exams of Finns in Orsa (Sweden)
- 1674 Census (Finns in Fryksdalen) (Sweden)
- 1686 Finnish Census (Norway)
- 1700 Finnish Census (Swedes and Finns) (Norway)
- 1706 Finnish Census of Hof parish (Norway)
- 1716 -17 Household exams Dalby parish (Sweden)
- C. A. Gottlund Diaries (Sweden, Finland)