

Sammon **Surname 1**

The English surname Salomon is one of a set of variants which also includes Salman, Salmon and Salmond. They are all patronymic in origin, being derived from the first name of the father of the original bearer, and thus simply denotes "the son of Solomon/Salomon". This first name was imported into England from France by the Anglo-Normans, and derives in fact from the Hebrew "shalom", meaning "peace". Salomon was the common medieval form, used in the Dulgate Bible by Tyndale and Cramer and in the Rheims version of 1582. The "dictus Salomon" ("called the Wise") recording of the name in 1287 shows that it was occasionally a nickname, but the name was not uncommon as a patronym between the twelfth and fourteenth centuries, a Salamon being recorded in the Domesday Book as early as 1066. In 1086 the same source lists a Gisleberus filius Salamonis, and the London Pleas of 1382 mention a Salamon. The name was also occasionally used as the name of a cleric, a chaplain or a canon. Research is of course ongoing and we may indeed find the name recorded, as a surname, even earlier than the dates given above. Other variants of this surname include Salomons, Salaman, Salamon, Salmand, Salmon, Sammon and Sammons. Bearers of this name to the "New world" include, among others, one Joshua Solomon, Who arrived in America in 1774. He is documented as being from London. The name could have been recorded there at an even earlier date. The blazon of arms described below is associated with the name or a variant. **BLAZEN OF ARMS:** Per chevron gules and sable, a chevron vair between in chief two lions rampant, double queued or, each holding in the paws a place charged with an ermine spot, in base a cinquefoi erminois. **CREST:** A mount vert, thereon issuant out of six park pales or, a demi-lion double-queued gules, holding between the paws a bezant charged with an ermine spot. **MOTTO:** Deo adjuvante translation: God assisting **ORIGIN:** ENGLAND.

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The name Salmon in Ireland is derived from the native Gaelic O'Bradain Sept of Connaught Province. Bradden is used in Counties Donegal and Leitrim as an alternative. The name was also brought to the country by settlers from England, especially during the seventeenth century. Sammon and Fisher are other variants.

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The surname Sammon (or Salmon) was recorded in Kildare in pre-Elizabethan times, and was very common by 1659 when Petty classified Sammon as Irish in his Census of Ireland. The origin of the name is either from the Irish O'Bradain (meaning salmon) or in the midlands from the English, Seaman. In parish records of the nineteenth century the name was concentrated in the Kilcullen and Newbridge areas.