

EXAMPLE 1

Inquiry – *I am looking for the birth record for Francesco Stagnitta who was born in Linguaglossa in 1894.*

NOTE

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STEP 1

Click <https://familysearch.org/search/collection/location/1927178> to search “Italy Indexed Records”

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STEP 2

Input search terms.
See results.

STEP 3

Click [Italy, Catania, Catania, Civil Registration \(Tribunale\), 1866-1929](#) to search the “Italy Only Records” for “Italy, Catania, Catania, Civil Registration (Tribunale), 1866-1929”

- a. [Browse through 434,962 images.](#)
- b. CLICK [Catania.](#)
- c. CLICK [Linguaglossa.](#)

STEP 4

Since Birth is 1894, click [Nati 1894-1910 Indici decennali \(nati\) 1886-1895 Pubblicazioni 1894-1898.](#)

STEP 5

need a FamilySearch account here. It is free, so sign up.

STEP 6

After you login to FamilySearch, you will see 2663 images.

- d. Thankfully, these records start with the Year 1894.
- e. Now we want to find the 1894 Index which is at the end of the 1894 images. So we are really for when 1895 starts.
- f. To find 1985, advance the images in chunks, eg. 50 images at a time. BTW, if we were looking for 1897, you might want to advance in larger chunks, eg. 100 or 200 images at a time.
2. We find the 1894 Index starts at image “134 of 2663.”
 - a. Now move to the “S’s” in the Index.
 - b. We find the “S’s” start at image “137 of 2663.”
3. We see “Stagnitta, Francesco di Giuseppe” with Register #6 (so that may be who we need). As necessary, you may want to look though all the S’s to make sure there is not a another “Stagnitta, Francesco.” And you oftentimes find many with the same names.
 - a. As it turns out, this is who we want, so we now need to find Register #6 of Year 1984 (which means we need to move backwards).
 - b. Now go backwards and find Register #6 on image “9 of 2663” ... and the 1894 Birth Record for Francesco Stagnitta.
4. **SUCCESS & JOY!**
5. Once you find the record you are looking for, here are some best practices:
 - a. Make note of the Record page (9 of 2663)
 - b. Make note of Index page (137 of 2663)
 - c. Download the image to your computer.

- d. Copy the Citation (under "Information" in lower left hand corner).
- e. Copy the URL to your Bookmarks or to a Word document.

