

## Origin and development of the family name

### MARTIN

Martin is a patronymic family name and goes back to the first name Martin with latin origin (Martnus from Mars, -tis the name of the Roman god of war). In Germany this family name arrived as the name of St. Martin (4<sup>th</sup> century) – he founded the earliest occidental cloisters, was bishop of Tours (France) and patron of the Franconian.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martin\\_of\\_Tours](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martin_of_Tours)

Variants of the family name Martin are **Marte(n)**, **Marti**, **Merten**, **Mertin**.

Patronymic forms to Martin (e.g. son of Martin) are **Martins**, **Martens**, **Märtens**, **Me(h)rtens**, **Mertes**, **Mertins**, **Martensen**, **Martini**.

**Mert(e)l**, **Mört(e)l** are affectionate forms of Martin.

**Martínez** is a spanish patronymic from to Martin.

Slavic derivation are **Marciniak**, **Martinec**, **Martinek**, **Martinetz**, **Maresch**, **Mirtschin**.

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#### Dating of the first known implementations

Martinus	(around 1140)
Mertin	(around 1352)
Mertins	(around 1371)
Merten	(around 1381)
Martin	(around 1383/1403)
Mertens	(around 1456)

Quelle:

<http://www.baseportal.de/cgi-bin/baseportal.pl?htx=/Laidler/Familiennamen&Name~=M>

*Remark:*

*In Germany hereditary family names are known since around 1150*

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