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from Daro – Bellinzona - Switzerland



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### ***Family tree of the Delcò (Delco) families (Daro, Bellinzona – Switzerland)***

Dear Madam, dear Sir,

I am sending this letter to you, because I'm trying to complete the genealogic tree of my family, the **Delcò** family, from Daro, Bellinzona in Switzerland.

Out of this area and in foreign countries the family name lost the accent on the "o", so now I'm writing to all Delco families in the USA to determinate who are ancestors of the **Delcò's** from Switzerland.

From an internet research and some contact with families, I found out that the Delco's living today in the USA have different origins: From Italy (Delco or Del Colle changed to Delco), Greece (Delcos), from a change of the family name Dalcourt. It is certain that some Delco have Swiss origin too and the link to my family in this case is direct. On the Internet I found some ancestor trace too and you can see it on the next pages.

It is for this matter, that I am asking you to help me with this research:

- If you are sure, your family **does not have** a Swiss origin:  
Please fill out only the first part of the form (1 & 1a) and re-mail it to me or send me an e-mail. ([info@delcofamily.ch](mailto:info@delcofamily.ch)), so I'll be able to eliminate you from my contacts. In that case I thank you for your time in reading and replying to my letter.
- If you are sure, your family **has** a Swiss origin **or you are not sure** about the origin:  
I kindly ask you to fill out the form with all possible personal data, that will allow me to put the different families into the tree and complete or correct mistakes.  
I am aware that I'm asking personal information, and the choice to fill out the form or not is yours alone. If you decide to respond, please fill in as much data as possible. Non the less partially filled forms will help me too!

You can return the papers with the enclosed envelope. All of your information will be treated very confidentially and used only for the purpose described above.

If you mark 1b, I will inform you as soon as possible if descendants have Swiss origins from Daro. It would be my pleasure if you would contact me to view the actual genealogic tree, it is possible to view it on the web too.

I am also putting together material to print a booklet that will tell the history of the family and the village of Daro. I will be happy with all documents or copies of documents, (birth certificates, certificates of family, ecc...) newspaper clippings, pictures (possibly originals – I will return them to you as soon as I will have digitalized them), ... Electronic material can be sent to me directly by e-mail: [info@delcofamily.ch](mailto:info@delcofamily.ch)

I thank you very much for your help and for the time you dedicated to me in reading my letter and filling out the forms. I hope your answer will be positive. If you need more information, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards

David Delcò

View the back for my references

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## ***My references:***

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### ***Who am I:***

My name is David Delcò, born may 19 1970, I live in Piazzogna, canton Ticino, in the south of Switzerland. this is the only italian speaking area of Switzerland.

My parents are Graziella born Börlin and Ivo Delcò. The origin of my family is in Daro – Bellinzona. The outline of my family is listed below.

After completed my education I now work as an Emergency Medical Technician and instructor in Locarno, a town on the lake Maggiore. I'm also Emergency first responder for the area where I live. The name of this area is Gambarogno and it is on the other site of the lake in front of Locarno.

I'm a Town councilor and the family participate to the "Patriziato" of Daro (in Switzerland "patrizi" are the definition for the families that live in an area more than a century)

In the year 2000 I began the research on my family and I collected a lot of information thanks to the Church archive, Clerk offices and state institution that permitted me to have now an outline from 1530 until today. I like history and genealogy and hope you can help me with this..

### ***Family outline (my family – direct outline):***

Giovanni (b. 1530; A Capite – after, by the years: Del cho, Del co, Del cò, **Delcò**)

- Antonio
- Martino (b. 1617 Biasca, d. 1673, m. to Maria, after her dead to Caterina Laghetti, and to Apollonia Nonella)
- Carlo (b. 1650, d. 1701, m. 1667 to Margherita Pedrazzoli)
- Giovanni Pietro Fulgentius (b. 1702, m. 1724 to Anna Maria Gada)
- Giuseppe Sebastiano Maria (b. 1735, m. 1757 to Margherita Rossi, m. to Costantina Zanetta)
- Giovanni Antonio Maria (b. 1778)
  - Paolo Antonio Sebastiano Josephat (b. 1819, d. 1898, m. 1841 to Natalina Pestalaccio, m. 1860 to Santina Pedrazzoli)
  - Giovanni Felice (b. 1847, d. 1914, m. 1873 to Lucia Pedrazzoli)
  - Celeste Helvetius (b. 1874, d. 1929, m. 1897 to Marta Gada Barenco)
  - Ciriaco Giovanni Defendente (b. 1897, d. 1967, m. to Rosetta Ghignassi)
  - Ivo (b. 1940, m. 1969 to Graziella Rosalia Börlin)
  - David (b. 1970)

This is only the direct outline without relatives. The complete outline includes more than 170 family names and 1072 people and it stays on 56 sheet of A4 format.

## Data collection:

<b>1) Personal data</b>	
Family Name	
<b>First and Middle Name</b>	

- 1a)  I am sure, my family doesn't have any Swiss origins.  
 1b)  I do not know the origins of my family  
 1c)  The origins of my family are surely located in Switzerland

<b>2) Personal data</b>	
<b>Date and place of birth</b>	
Date and place of baptizing	
Names of brothers and / or sisters	
Date and place of marriage	
Maiden name of wife	
Names of your partner	
Date and place of birth of your partner	
Date and place of death of your partner	
Children Names, date and place of birth, Date and place of baptizing	
<i>Ev. 2<sup>nd</sup> Marriage</i> <i>data of the partner :family name</i> <i>(as single) name, date and place</i> <i>of marriage</i>	
Children Names, date and place of birth, Date and place of baptizing	
<i>Ev. 3<sup>rd</sup> Marriage</i> <i>data of the partner :family name</i> <i>(as single) name, date and place</i> <i>of marriage</i>	
Children Names, date and place of birth, Date and place of baptizing	

<b>3) Data of your parents</b>	<b>Father</b>	<b>Mother</b>
Family name		Maiden name
First and middle name names		
Date and place of birth		
Date and place of baptizing		
Date and place of marriage		
Date and place of death		

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## **Data collection:**

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<b>4) Data of the fatherly grand parents</b>	<b>fatherly Grandfather</b>	<b>fatherly Grandmother</b>
Family name		Maiden name:
First name and middle names		
Date and place of birth		
Date and place of baptizing		
Date and place of marriage		
Date and of death		

<b>5) Data of the motherly grand parents</b>	<b>motherly Grandfather</b>	<b>motherly Grandmother</b>
Family name		Maiden name:
First name and middle names		
Date and place of birth		
Date and place of baptizing		
Date and place of marriage		
Date and of death		

<b>6) E-mail and evtl modifications of your postal address</b>	
<b>E-mail:</b>	<b>Phone.:</b>
<b>My correct postal address is:</b>	

<b>7) Remarks</b>

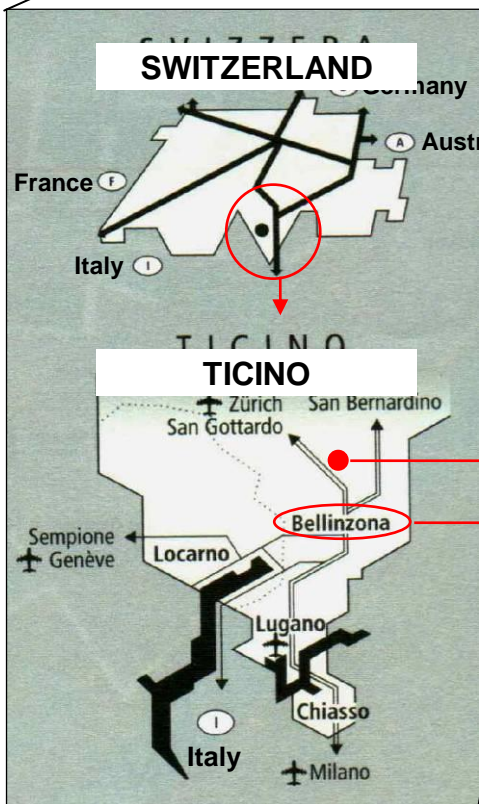
- By returning this form to David Delcò, I declare to agree that my personal data (Family and first names, date of birth, marriage and descendants) will be inserted into the genealogic tree of the family and I reserve the right, to request, consult and modify it in any moment.
- This form cannot, in any case, be used for any other purpose than the one described above and cannot be transmitted to third persons.
- I am interested in receiving information on:
  - up to date information on the state of the research (by important evolutions)  
*If you mentioned it, the information will be sent to your E-mail*
  - Publications on the family
  - Family meetings
- I am interested into receiving a copy of the complete family tree, concerning my family:  
*If you mentioned it, the information will be sent to your E-mail*

Date and signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you!**



Map of the area of origin of the family



Church of Daro, over Bellinzona

Blenio Valley

Bellinzona and Daro (Inhabitants: 16'870)



Castel Grande (one of the three Castle of Bellinzona) and a part of the old town

Other information on:

- <http://www.bellinzona.ch/>
- <http://www.ti.ch/CAN/comuni/x2.htm>
- <http://www.bellinzoneaturismo.ch/>

## Family traces found on the Internet

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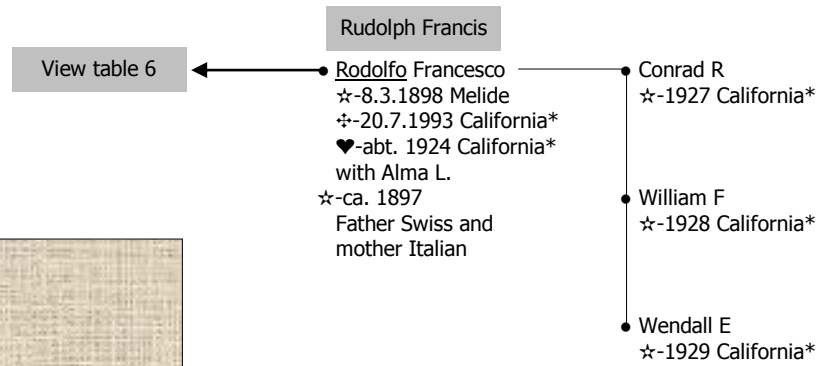
- Giuseppe Rodolfo Delcò (Rudolph Delco), arrived in New York on may 4 1891 from port of Le Havre (France) on the boat "La Gascogne". He was born abt. 1868 in Daro, Switzerland. He didn't stay a long time in the USA and returned to Switzerland.
- Rodolfo Francesco Delcò (Rudolph Francis Delco), (Son of Giuseppe Rodolfo Delcò) arrived in New York on November 19 1921 from port of Le Havre (France) on the boat "Paris". He was born march 8 1898 in Melide, Switzerland. He married to Alma L. abt. 1924. He worked as a creamery. They had 3 sons all born in California: Conrad R., born 1927, William F., born 1928 and Wendall E., born 1929. In 1930 (US Federal Census) They lived in Santa Maria, Santa Barbara County, State of California, USA.
- Giovanni Pietro Delcò (Peter Delco), arrived in the USA in 1892. He was born on April 21 1865 in Castione, Switzerland. He married April 9 1890, in Lumino, Switzerland, to Maria (said Marietta) Dellamonica. They had 5 children: Maria (said Marietta too), born September 27 1890 and Pietro Luigi (Peter Jr.) born august 25 1892, both born in Lumino, Switzerland and emigrated to the USA with their mother, arrived February 6 1893 on the boat "La Bretagne" from port of Le Havre, France. The other 3 children: Enedina (Ena Dina) born march 5 1894, Fredewinda (Fredis) born abt. 1896 and Severina born abt. 1898 was born in California. Maria jr. (Marietta) married abt. 1920 to Edward Robert Muttersbach. Ena Dina married abt. 1926 to Chester Albert Creps, she died April 21 1993 in California Peter Died July 23 1944 in California, Marietta died march 18 1914 in California. The residence of this family was in Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County, California (US Federal Census 1900, 1920, 1930) Peter and Marietta were buried in the Old Holy Cross Cemetery, Santa Cruz County, California, USA. There is a picture of this burial available on internet at URL [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com).
- Maria Delcò (Mary Delco), arrived in the USA in 1913. She was born in Switzerland abt. 1888. She is listed in US Federal Census of 1920 and 1930. On those documents she's listed as a Superior teacher in a private school. She lived in Chicago, Cook County, State of Illinois, USA. It's not clear what the relationship is with other family members.
- Alessio Delcò, arrived in the USA December 4 1893. He was born in Switzerland abt. 1874. Arrived from port of Le Havre (France) on the boat "La Bourgogne". He married but didn't stay in the USA and probably returned to Switzerland (No record on 1900 US Federal Census).

***See the examples of family-tree entry to view this data as graphic***

## Example of a family-tree entry

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**Table 1/Z**



**Information sources:**

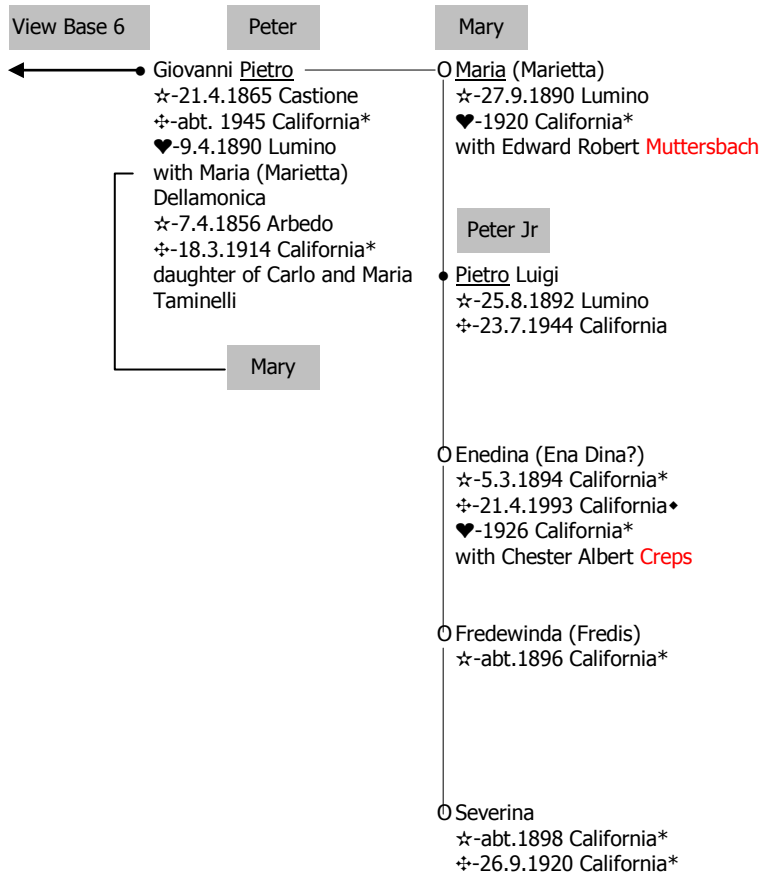
Internet sites Ancestry.com and EllisIsland.org;  
Passenger Lists / immigration & US Federal Census,

Family emigrated in 1921, see on the specific data booklet

\*) Santa Maria, Santa Barbara County, State of California, USA

## Example of family-tree entry

Table 2/Z



### Information sources:

Internet sites Ancestry.com, EllisIsland.org and Findagrave.com;  
 Passenger Lists / immigration & US Federal Census,

Family emigrated in 1893, see on the specific data booklet

- \* ) Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County, State of California
- ♦ ) Wheatland, Yuba County, State of California

- - First & middle names (man)
- O - First & middle names (woman)  
(Name in use is underline)
- ☆ - Date and place of birth
- † - Date and place of death
- ♥ - Date and place of marriage