

## Millennial Descent from Shem Tov Halevi of Gerona

The Shem Tov Halevi of Gerona and some other leading families including the Benveniste moved between Provence and Aragon. The Hebrew name Shem Tov and the Greek Kalonymos meant “of good name”. They were related to the Kalonymos *Nesim* of Narbonne.

- 1 Shem Tov Halevi of Gerona (a leading Talmudic scholar in Provence)  
(the Ha-Yitzhari family claimed direct descent from Samuel the Prophet)
- 2 Zerachiah
- 3 Yitzchak (scholar in Provence)
- 4 Zerachiah Halevi Girondi 1125-1186 (author of *Ha-Maor* and other works)
- 5 Joseph Halevi
- 6 Benveniste Halevi
- 7 Joseph Halevi ben Benveniste m Clara bat Asher ben Meshullam ben Jacob of Lunel (reputedly of Davidic descent)
- 8 Pinchas Halevi - lived near Perpignan (elder brother of Aharon Halevi, 1235-1305, who gives his descent from Zerachiah Halevi in *Bedek Habayit* )
- 9 Yitzchak Halevi
- 10 Joseph Halevi
- 11-13 (?)

From the Shem Tov Halevi of medieval Spain and Provence a sprig transplanted to Bohemia in the 15<sup>th</sup> century became the Horowitz family, taking their name from the town of Horovice near Prague where they settled before moving to Prague and beyond

- 14 Moshe Halevi
- 15 Isaiah ben Moshe Halevi Ish Horowitz ca.1440-1515 – in Prague 1480
- 16 Ahron Meshullam Zalman Horowitz 1470-1545 aka *Zalman Munka*
- 17 Israel Horowitz 1500-1572 of Prague
- 18 Pinchas Halevi Ish Horowitz Prague 1535 – Cracow 1618  
President of the Council of the Four Lands - m sister of Rabbi Moses Isserles
- 19 Jacob Horowitz died in Vienna 1630
- 20 Joshua Horowitz ABD of Przemysl died 1661
- 21 Shmuel Schmelke Horowitz ABD of Tarnow died 1694 m granddaughter of Yehoshua Heschel Charif, Chief Rabbi of Cracow (author of *Meginei Shlomo*)
- 22 Meir Horowitz of Bolechow, Zloszow, and ABD of Tykocin died 1743  
m daughter of Menachem Manish Katz , son of Isaiah Katz of Brody  
(descendants of Judah Loew of Prague )
- 23 Jacob Jokel Horowitz ABD of Glogau and Brody died 1755
- 24 Isaac Horowitz ABD of Brody, Glogau, and Hamburg died 1767
- 25 Beile Horowitz m Menachem Mendel Rubin ABD of Lesniow etc died 1803
- 26 Jacob Jokel Horowitz ABD of Bolechow 1773 - 1832
- 27a Efraim Fischel Horowitz ABD of Munkacz died 1860
- 27b Yehuda Ahron Horowitz of Solotwina and ABD of Mihaileni
  
- 28a Sarah (?) m David Isaac Gellis ca 1790 – 1868
- 28b Gittel Horowitz (?) m Hirsch Leib Weinstein ABD of Solotwina died 1884
- 29 Nahum Uri Gelles ABD of Solotwina died 1934 m Esther Weinstein died 1907
- 30 David Gelles of Vienna 1883-1964 m Regina Griffel 1900 - 1954
- 31 Edward Gelles 1927-