



Baird Heritage

Archival Home of Clan Baird of Scotland

(Baard, Baird, Bard, Barde, Beard)

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Clan Baird Facts

- Region: Baird is a Lowland Clan or Family
- Standing: Chiefless & therefore lacking in legal & noble status
- Petitioner to the Undifferenced Arms of Auchmedden and the Chiefship of Clan Baird:
Sir James Baird, 11th Bt. of Saughtonhall
- Chief's Heraldry: The Undifferenced Arms of Baird are those of Auchmedden, 1672, currently unmatriculated
- Blazon: Gules, a boar passant, Or
- Crest: A griffin's head erased
- Motto: Dominus fecit (The Lord made)
- Seat: Strathaven, Lanark
- War Cry: *Baird to the vanguard!* In honour of Lt.-Col. Sir James Baird, 6th Bt. of Saughtonhall (c.1756-1830)
- Plant: Acer pseudoplatanus, Sycamore Maple. 8.64 meters in circumference, standing beside a ruin wall of the ancient Barde of Posso stronghold, Manor Parish, Peebles
- Tartans: Ancient, Hunting, Modern
- Clan Badge: Officially sanctioned for use by all Clanspeople. A griffin's head erased within a buckled black belt upon which is inscribed, 'Dominus fecit'
- Septs or Vassal Families: None
- Name Variations: Baard, Baird, Bard, Barde, Beard
Early Norman period, the 'd' and 't' are interchangeable, i.e. Baart. One of the earliest surnames recorded. England 1087; France 1090.
- Rare Variations: Bahard, Baiard, Bayard, Biard, Bord, Burd, Byrd, MacBard, Mackabard
It is incorrect that Ward is a variation of Baird in Scotland