Download and install the Aldfaer genealogy program

Aldfaer is a free to use Dutch genealogy computer program which was the first program to implement The Knot System relationship notation.

Unfortunately the Aldfaer homepage and all descriptive material on Aldfaer's facilities are in Nederlands (Language of the Dutch people).

The purpose of this document is to help you download and install the program, make it "speek English" and import a GEDCOM file with your family data to be able to experience a practical implementation of The Knot System.

Download Aldfaer:

To start let your Internet browser take you to the Aldfaer homepage: http://aldfaer.net



A click on above highlighted download link will bring up a new page with this at the bottom of the page:

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... click on the Aldfaer6.exe to start a standard download and install on your Windows PC.

Install Aldfaer:



Click on the highlighted "Volgende" button to see the next dialog:

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| C:\Aldfaer | | |
| Benodigde ruimte: | 31 Mb | |
| Beschikbare ruimte: | 692 Mb | |
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| Klik op 'Volgende' om verder te gaan. | | |
| | < Terug Volgende > | Einde |

In above dialog you can select where to save the Aldfaer program and its supporting files.

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Click the "Volgende" button to continue.

| 💐 Aldfaer Installatieprogramma - Bevestiging | |
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| Bevestiging Aldfaer kan nu geïnstalleerd worden. | |
| Aldfaer wordt geïnstalleerd in map C:\Aldfaer. | |
| Klik op 'Start' om Aldfaer te installeren. | Einde |

The installer is now ready, click the "Start" button to install Aldfaer on your PC...

| 🕴 Aldfaer Installatieprogramma - Einde | |
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| Einde De installatie is gereed. | |
| Aldfaer is geïnstalleerd. | |
| ☑ Start Aldfaer | |
| | Einde |

When the install process is over, above dialog gives you the option to start or not start Aldfaer after the install. Click the "Einde" (End) button.

At the first start of Aldfaer it may show below dialog that gives you the option to download the latest versions of various support files, and it is recommended that you accept by a click on the "Installeren" button.

| Automatische update | × |
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| Nieuwe versie beschikbaar Van het onderstaande onderdeel is een nieuwe versie beschikbaar. Klik op de knop 'Installeren' om de nieuwe versie te installeren. De installatie kan eventueel ook via menu Help - Versiebeheer uitgevoerd worden. <u>Nieuwe versie invoeqtoepassinq:</u> • Bonus rapporten: 4.8.13 | |
| Installeren Annuleer |) |

The first time Aldfaer opens will display its main window empty with menu texts in Nederlands. The Program bar will state: "Geen staamboom open" meaning "No open database" as shown here:

| 🖲 Geen stamboom open | | | | | | | |
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Please observe that the "Extra" menu does not contain the menu item "Taal" that allows you to change between languages. You need to download and install language files, see next chapter.

Download and install language files and other plug-ins

An Aldfaer program downloaded from the Aldfaer homepage as described above can only "speak" Nederlands, the language of the Dutch people, but fortunately Aldfaer is prepared to communicate in other languages and the Aldfaer B_team developers has made it fairly easy to implement.

On the same homepage from where you downloaded the Alfaer program there is a menu item called "Invoegtoepassingen voor Aldfaer". (Plug-ins for Aldfaer), click on this and select the submenu "Alle invoegtoepassingen B_team:



Please observe the highlighted hyperlink you will need it later.

In Aldfaer's "Help" menu click on the submenuen "Versiebeheer invoegtoepassingen..." (Update plug-ins):



... which opens this dialog:

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| 😼 Bonus rapporten | | | ~ |
| | | Overzicht Alle Invoegtoepassingen B_team | |
| | | De onderstaande tabel geeft een compact overzicht van nieuwe invoegtoepassingen mutaties in de Bonus rapporten. | er |
| | | Installatie van een invoegtoepassing van de onderstaande lijst: Voor een goed leesbaar overzicht zet u het venster op maximale grootte en scrollt u invoegtoepassing die u wilt installeren. Klik op de blauwe link van die invoegtoepassin daarna op de "Installeer"-knop onderaan het venster; de invoegtoepassing wordl geinstalleerd. Indien de invoegtoepassing al geinstalleerd is dan krijgt u een meld Daarna kunt u de invoegtoepassing via Tonen -> Rapporten -> Overige rapporten op | na ng, t n ling ben |
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| Naam Bonus rapporten | | | > |
| Geïnstalleerd | | Inverginepassing | |
| 4.8.13 | | http://www.aldfaer.net/site/files/downloads/invoeg.html | 1 🗠 |
| Nieuwste versie 4.8.13 | Bijwerken | Installeer | |
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Type (or copy-paste) the previously highlighted hyperlink from the homepage into the input field "Invoegtoepassing" and the frame just above the field will display "Overzicht Alle Invoegtoepassingen B_team" as shown in the screenshot above. Click the button "Installeer" and the left frame will now show a new plug-in with the title "Alle invoegtoepassingen B_team".

Select this new plug-in and scroll down in the right frame until the bold text "Talen menu" is shown, it is almost at the bottom:

| 🖁 Versiebeheer invoegtoepassinge | | |
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| Invoegtoepassingen 🔂 | Informatie | |
| 🔁 Bonus rapporten | | ~ |
| Alle invoegtoepassingen B_team | Talen menu Deze invoegtoepassing geeft via Extra, Taal de mogelijkheid en teksten in Aldfaer in andere talen dan het Nederlands we geven. Er is geen invloed op de taal van de diverse rapport Door programma-beperkingen kan niet alles vertaald worden niet vertaalde teksten kunt u een vertaling opvragen via To Rapporten-> Overige rapporten-> Language Aldfaer (Taal in dan kiezen voor de gewenste vertaling. | om menu' eer te ages. J. Voor de men-> Aldfaer) e |
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| Alle invoegtoepassingen B_team Geïnstalleerd | Invoegtoepassing | |
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A click on the baby-blue "Talen menu" will change the content of the right frame into this:

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| Invoegtoepassingen 🔂 | Informatie | | |
| Bonus rapporten Alle invoegtoepassingen B_team | Invoegtoepassing voor het rapport Taal in Aldfaer | | |
| | Deze invoegtoepassing is u aangeboden door Meije van Slageren. | | |
| | De invoegroepassing maakt het mogenijk om Aldraer in een andere taal uit te voeren dan het Nederlands Onder de het Menu item Extra wordt toegevoegd de keuze Taal Door Taal te selecteren wordt een uitklap menu getoond met de onderstaande taal keuzes. | | |
| Naam | Francais | | |
| Alle invoegtoepassingen B_team Geïnstalleerd | Invoegtoepassing | | |
| 2.26 http://www.aldfaer.net/site/files/downloads/invoeg.html | | | |
| 2.26 Bijwerken | Installeer | | |

Install Aldfaer

Now click on the button "Installeer" to install all available languages and when the installation is done, close and restart Aldfaer in order to activate the new languages.

After restart of Aldfaer select the "Extra" menu and click on the new menu item "Taal" and observe all the languages that may be selected. For the rest of this tutorial please select "English":

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Please observe that you can change the language while Aldfaer is running.

Aldfaer's language files are placed in a folder named "Aldfaer Languages" which is placed in a folder named "Invoegtoepassingen", which again is placed in the systems "Documents and Settings" folder under "My Documents" as seen on this screenshot:

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The installed languages are the latest versions authorised by the Aldfaer development team, but may not be fully updated with the latest additions to the program and the terminology may not be completely in accordance with the Knot System terminology.

Therefore a package (Zip-file) of updated language files for **Danish KS** and **English KS** with <u>K</u>not <u>System terminology</u> is made available for download on this page: <u>http://www.khoejrup.dk</u>.

Unzipping the package creates a new folder named "Language AldfaerKS" which contains the two language files "Dansk KS.atr" and "English KS.atr". Move either or both files over into the folder "Language Aldfaer" as shown above and restart Aldfaer. The two new languages are now available for selection in the menu "Tools", submenu "Languages" just like the original languages.

In the menu "Tools" and submenu "Languages" select the language "English KS".

Please observe that it is not yet possible to translate all text strings in Aldfaer. Therefore the team has created a dictionary of many of the untranslatable strings. Find this dictionary by opening the dialog "Table of reports" (Shift + Ctrl + R) and select "English" under "Other reports" in the item "Languages in Aldfaer". Read the text and a click on the "Start" button will open the dictionary.

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Import reports in other languages

Fortunately Aldfaer can generate reports both graphical and text in English and other languages including French, German and Spanish. To install and activate follow these instructions:

Open the Aldfaer "Help" menu and select the menu item "Update Plug-ins..." which will open this dialog:

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| English reports Languages in Aldfaer Norwegian reports | Engelse rapporten | Engelse vertaling van alle standaard tekst en grafisc (B_team;CBG rapporten zijn/worden NIET vertaald.) |
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| 2.26 Improve | Install | |

Select the plug-in named "Alle invoegtoepassingen B_team" and the right frame now shows a table of plug-ins that may be selected including reports in various languages. The languages are ordered alphabetically by their Dutch name, here is a list of the presently available translated reports:

| Duitse rapporten | German reports |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Engelse rapporten | English reports |
| Franse rapporten | French reports |
| Friese rapporten | Frisian reports |
| Norkse rapporter | Norwegian reports |
| Spanse rapporten | Spanish reports |

Click and install the reports of your desire and when download and installation is completed you can find the reports in the dialog "Table of reports" (Shift + Ctrl + R) under the item "Other reports":

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| B. Language Aldfeer Norwegian reports Standard graphic reports Standard reporting | opstarten door op de rapportnaam te klikken. Bepaal eerst of je een voorgeslacht-, nageslacht- of gezinsrapport wil. Vervolgens kies je welke lijn of lijnen je in je rapport opgenomen wilt zien: de mannelijke en/of de vrouwelijke lijn, de lijn van personen met een zelfde achternaam of de lijn naar een opgegeven voorouder. Meer details over deze rapporten vind je via de schermen Aldfaer tekstrapporten en Aldfaer grafische rapporten. | | | |
| | Tekstrapporten | Grafische rapporten | | |
| | Voorgeslacht | Voorgeslacht | Lijn | |
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| | Naamreeks | Naamreeks | zelfde achternaam | |

If you wish to read the report explanations in English then press the button "English version" in the upper right corner.

Import GEDCOM family file

At the empty main window click on the "File" menu (Upper left corner) and select the menu item "Import from GEDCOM..." which will open this dialog:

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| Close | Ctrl+0 | 6 |
| Save | Chrlas | <u> </u> |
| Save as | Carro | |
| 🍯 Make backup | Ctrl+B | 8 |
| GED Import from GEDCOM | Shift+Ctrl+I | |
| Export to GEDGOM. | Shift+Ctrl+E | - |
| La Search Aldfaer files | | - |
| ↓ Exit | Ctrl+Q | : |
| | | |

Click the yellow folder icon to the right of the GEDCOM field and select your own Family file or any other family file in the GEDCOM format you wish to import.

Click the diskette icon to the right of the Database field and select the place for the resulting Aldfaer family file and assign a name to it.

At the end of the import Aldfaer shows a dialog with statistics and eventual errors occurred during the Import. Press OK to end the Import and start working with Aldfaer.

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| GEDCOM import gereed | |
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You are now ready to start exploring the free genealogy program Aldfaer in mostly English.

Epilogue

This Aldfaer guide is made to help users who are not in command of Nederlands, the language of the Dutch people, and who wish to experience the many facilities of the free genealogy computer program **Aldfaer** including its implementation of **The Knot System**.

This guide is **supplied as is** with no guarantee that it will work on all iterations of the Windows operating systems.

Even though Aldfaer is a "Free" genealogy program it takes a lot of monetary resources to keep the development team and homepage going, so if you use Aldfaer beyond a reasonable evaluation period, please seriously consider donating to the **Aldfaer foundation** on this link: **aldfaer.net**.

In the hope that this guide may help many happy users

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