



Australian Society of the Lacemakers of Calais Inc.

FRANCE MAPS

The maps are provided to assist researchers with an understanding of the streets, features and surrounds when the lacemakers lived there. However, the maps are an approximation and the researcher should always use them as a guide.

In 1848 the Calais region was comprised of two communes, the Calais commune and the St Pierre-lès-Calais commune. The Calais commune covered the fortified town of Calais including the citadel while the St Pierre-lès-Calais commune covered the village of St Pierre and the country to the east, south and west of it.

The France maps in this section are:

- Communes of Calais and St Pierre circa 1848, and
- St Pierre circa 1848

The first map covers both communes including roads and features within the landscape such as sea walls and dikes (digues), drains and watercourses (wattergands), canals, railway line and fortifications.

The second map is of the village of St Pierre and includes the village streets and adjacent roads as the village began to encroach on its surroundings and local features including the nearby canals and windmills.

The maps

- Show the street names noted in the various censuses made at five-year intervals up to and including 1846, two years before the “Lacemakers of Calais” migrated to the Australian colonies in 1848. For more information of who lived where, please refer to the census schedules located in this website.
- Were compiled from information shown on a series of maps of the region from the eighteenth and nineteenth century including those posted on the Pas-de-Calais Archives website <http://www.archivespasdecalais.fr/Archives-en-ligne>