



Gypsies

Gypsies have been present in Finland since the second half of the sixteenth century. With their unusual dress, unique customs, and specialized trades for earning their livelihood, Gypsies have stood out, and their stay in the country has not been an easy one. They have suffered periodic harassment from the hands of both private citizens and public officials, and the last of the special laws directed against them was repealed only in 1883.**

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Female Gypsy Names, Romani Names

Gypsy names are commonly associated with the country where the people take up their residence. Some popular female gypsy names are Aisha, Dike, Dona, Esmeralda, Florida, Lela, and Mala

Gypsy people are actually called Roma, which is their proper name. They were a wandering race of people that first appeared in the 16th century in England and were believed to have come from Egypt..**

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