
Christyntyje (Christina) Vigne (c.1610–1663)

Also known as: Christine/Christyntyje Vigne; Christina Vinje/Vigné

Born: after 1610, **Walloon** community (Valenciennes/Hainaut diaspora) → family in Amsterdam

Died: 1663, **Bushwick/Western Long Island (New Netherland)**

Why she matters in the 1630s: Member of one of New Amsterdam's **earliest Walloon families**, bridging French-speaking refugee networks and Dutch colonial institutions.

Marriage into the Norwegian/Dutch frontier circle (Volckertsen) linked **Manhattan church life to Long Island settlement**. ([New Amsterdam History Center](#))

Names & variants

- Vigne / Vigné / Vinje / Vienje (Dutch phoneticization), **Christyntyje / Christina / Christine**.
 - Walloon origins through **parents Guillaume (Geleyn) Vigne & Adrienne (Ariaentje) Cuvellier/Cuvilje** are widely attested in early New Netherland studies. ([New Amsterdam History Center](#))
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Family & ties

- **Parents: Guillaume (Ghislain/Geleyn) Vigne & Adrienne (Ariaentje) Cuvellier/Cuvilje**, a well-documented Walloon couple among New Amsterdam's first households. For scholarly background see NYG&B's overview (with references to Seversmith's work on **Ariaentje Cuvilje**). ([New York Family History](#))
 - **Husband: Dirck "de Noorman" Volckertsen** (Norwegian-born carpenter/mariner). Their union ties Walloon and Scandinavian/Dutch settler networks on Manhattan and western Long Island. ([WikiTree](#))
 - **Children:** Commonly enumerated as **Grietje, Magdalena, Sarah, Rachel, Volkert, Jacob, Ariantje, Jannetje**. Confirm each with **Reformed Dutch Church** baptisms (Manhattan; some later in Brooklyn). ([Internet Archive](#))
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Church & community anchors (what you can cite now)

- **Reformed Dutch Church, New Amsterdam (Manhattan): Baptisms 1639–1730.**
Use **Evans (NYG&B, 1901)** to verify **Vigne/Volckertsen** baptisms and Christina’s sponsor network. This is a published transcript of the original registers by the Collegiate Church. (Search for the couple and each child to extract **date, parents, sponsors.**) ([Internet Archive](#))
- **Reformed Dutch Church, New Amsterdam (Manhattan): Marriages 1639–1801.**
Purple (NYG&B, 1890) is the standard edition. Christina’s marriage is often placed **c.1630/31** in compilations (slightly predating this volume’s 1639 start), but use **Purple** to document allied marriages and her kin network; then consult additional notarial/town records for earlier references. ([Internet Archive](#))
- **Old First Dutch Reformed Church of Brooklyn (First Book, 1660–1752).**
Important for **Long Island** events among the Vigne/Volckertsen circle after mid-century. Holland Society edition; cataloged at FamilySearch and Brooklyn Public Library. ([FamilySearch](#))

Land & locality (context around Christina’s household)

- **Bushwick / “Noorman’s Kill.”**
A 2021 **NYC Landmarks** report notes **Dirck “the Noorman” Volckertsen** receiving **Bushwick acreage (1643)** and building a **stone farmhouse**—useful locality context for Christina’s later life and for placing the family along the **Greenpoint/Bushwick** frontier. ([NYC Media](#))
- **Castello Plan & De Sille List (Manhattan lots, 1650s).**
For Vigne family lots on the **Castello Plan**, consult Stokes’s *Iconography of Manhattan Island* and subsequent scholarly treatments; the **NYG&B Record** discusses correlating specific lots to owners with citations into Stokes and translated deeds. Use these to footnote Vigne-related lots once you pull exact pages. ([New York Family History](#))

Note: Be careful not to conflate **Noorman’s Kill (Brooklyn/Greenpoint)** with **Normans Kill (near Albany)**—both are Dutch *kill* toponyms attached to “Noorman,” but they’re different places.

Timeline (anchor points to extract citations)

- **By early 1630s** — Christina **Vigne** present in New Amsterdam among earliest **Walloon** families; marriage to **Dirck Volckertsen** generally placed **c.1630/31** in reputable compilations (verify against church/notarial records). ([New Amsterdam History Center](#))
- **1640s–1650s — Baptisms** of her children recorded in the **Manhattan Dutch Reformed Church** (Evans). Extract entries with dates/sponsors for each child you list in the spreadsheet tab. ([Internet Archive](#))
- **After 1643** — Household closely tied to **western Long Island** (Bushwick/Wallabout/Greenpoint), per municipal reporting on the **Volckertsen** tract; check **Brooklyn First Book** for later sacramental events among kin. ([NYC Media](#))
- **1663 — Death** traditionally placed this year (pre-English takeover); look for burial mentions or widow/estate hints in church or court minutes.

Quick links (finding aids; not proof)

- **WikiTree:** Christina Vigne (Vigne-3) — bibliography & page notes to chase; use for leads only. ([WikiTree](#))
- **Geni:** Christina Vigne — tree connections; treat assertions as hypotheses pending registers/deeds. ([Geni](#))
- **Fulkerson.org (Vigne page):** narrative synthesis with citations you can follow into primary material. ([Fulkerson](#))
- **Find a Grave:** memorial for Christine Volckertszen (derivative). (List as a pointer; don't cite as evidence.)

Research notes (how to finish the footnotes for this person)

1. **Pull child baptisms** for **each** Vigne-Volckertsen child in **Evans (1901)** and footnote: *“Reformed Dutch Church, New Amsterdam/New York, Baptisms 1639–1730, ed. Thomas Grier Evans (NYG&B, 1901), p. ___, entry ___.”* ([Internet Archive](#))
2. **Scan Purple (1890)** for **Vigne/Volckertsen** allied marriages and sponsor marriages to document the wider Walloon/Dutch network. ([Internet Archive](#))

3. **Brooklyn First Book (1660–1752)** for later family rites as the household shifts to **Kings County**. Cite the Holland Society edition / local library call no. ([FamilySearch](#))
 4. **Lot/location footnotes:** Use the **NYC LPC report** for the **Volckertsen Bushwick tract** (government source), then upgrade with images from **Stokes's *Iconography*** and translated **New Amsterdam deeds** referenced by the **NYG&B Record** article. ([NYC Media](#))
 5. **Walloon context:** Cite the **New Amsterdam History Center** overview identifying **Ghislain/Guillaume Vigne & Adrienne Cuvilje** among the first families to give historical framing to Christina's origins. ([New Amsterdam History Center](#))
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One-paragraph summary (for decade packets)

Christyntje (Christina) Vigne, a Walloon daughter of **Guillaume Vigne** and **Adrienne Cuvellier/Cuvilje**, belonged to the **first wave of New Amsterdam families**. In the 1630s she married **Dirck “de Noorman” Volckertsen**, linking Walloon and Norwegian/Dutch settler circles. Their **children's baptisms** appear in the **Reformed Dutch Church** registers of Manhattan, and by the 1640s–50s the household was tied to **western Long Island (Bushwick/Wallabout)**—the area later remembered as **Noorman's Kill**. Pull the **church entries** (Evans; Purple) and **Bushwick tract references** (NYC LPC; Stokes) to replace tree-level assertions with **primary-based citations**. ([Internet Archive](#))
