



Clan CRISTIE

ARMS
CREST
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A silver shield with a black saltire between four black stars.
Not available
Sic viresco (Thus I flourish).

CHRISTIE, Christy. A diminutive of Christian or Cristinus, and perhaps also Christopher. The surname is very common in Fife, which indeed seems to have been an early home of the name. Chrystie was the name of an old Stirling family (see "The Chrisites and their doings," in *Stirling antiquary*, III, p. 212-214). In a charter dated 13th July 1457, granted by the abbot of Lindores to the burgh of Newburgh, John Chrysty appears as a burghess. John Chryste was admitted burghess of Aberdeen in 1530. Sir Robert Criste, presbyter, witness in Fife, 1547. Cristina Criste or Crystie was tenant under the bishop of Moray, 1565. Jhone Cristie was a "burne ledder" (water carrier) in St. Andrews 1560. Henry Crystie, heir of John Crystie had precept of sadine of land in the ville of Stentoune, 1605, and David Crysitie was burghess of Dysart, 1634. As forename: Cristy de Carvant of Edinburghshire, 1296, also appears as Cristine de Carvan, Dhrystie 1605, Chrysty 1688, Creste 1612, Criste 1541, Cristy 1476.

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