

Important Jews in 17th Century Recife

ISAAC ABOAB DA FONSECA
Rabbi from 1642 to 1654

ABRAHAM DE ACEVEDO
Involved in commerce between Holland and Portugal

MOSES RAPHAEL DE AGUILAR
Probably Rabbi of the Congregation Magen Abraham.

ABRAHAM COHEN
Purchasing agent for Government

MICHEL CARDOSO
The first lawyer and prosecuting attorney in Brazil

DAVID SENIOR CORONEL
One of the richest Jewish businessmen in Brazil

JOSEF DA COSTA
Stockholder of the West India Company

SAMUEL DA VEIGA
Member of the last *Mahamad* of Congregation Kahal Zur Israel

DANIEL & SALOMON DORMIDO
Sons of David Abarbanel, the first treasurer

ISAAC FRANCO DRAGO
Businessman and president of
Congregation Magen Abraham

BALTHASAR DA FONSECA
The engineer who built the first bridge in Recife.
He was one of the richest Jews of Dutch Brazil.
He married the daughter of Rabbi Isaac Aboab.

JOSEPH FRANCES

One of the richest Jew in the Dutch Brazil

JACOB COHEN HENRIQUES
Accountant of Maurice of Nassau

JOSEPH JESURUN MENDES
Founded the first Jewish congregation in Barbados after his departure from Recife.

DR. ABRAHAM DE MERCADO
The first physician and pharmacist in the new world

RAPHAEL DE MERCADO
A physician like his father

BENJAMIN BUENO DE MESQUITA
A member of Congregation Kahal Zur Israel

MOSES NAVARRO
Sugar and tobacco agent and tax auditor between 1636 to 1645

BENJAMIN DE PINA SARFATTI
Tax inspector who many houses in Recife

AHARON SERFATTI
Businessman

JOSHUA VELOZINO
He was a Hazan in Recife. Later in Amsterdam he became a doctor and philosopher.