The Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) honours the 1.7 million men and women of the Commonwealth forces who died in the First and Second World Wars and ensures they will never be forgotten.
Our work is truly global; we operate in more than 150 countries and territories and at 23,000 locations. We hold an extensive and internationally recognised archive of records and images which are freely available to search on our website at www.cwgc.org.
Since our establishment by Royal Charter in 1917 we have constructed 2,500 war cemeteries, plots and memorials for those with no known graves. More than a million burials are now marked at military and civilian sites.
HORTICULTURE

Our gardens are an essential part of the commemoration of the war dead. Our historic estate is of international importance and our global team of over 800 gardeners ensure our sites are maintained to the highest standards, adapting to a huge number of climatic variations from the Arctic Circle to the lush greenery of the tropics.

CONSERVATION

Commemorating and caring for the fallen across the world is a huge task. Many of our cemeteries and memorials were designed by internationally-renowned architects, sculptors and artists. Our global approach is conservation led; we seek to preserve and conserve our historic estate, mostly using our own teams of stonemasons and specialists around the world.
VISIT OUR SITES

From the Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial in Belgium to Dehli War Cemetery in India, from tiny cemeteries containing just a handful of graves to those with more than 11,000 burials, the Commission built and maintains some of the most iconic architectural structures in the world. There is so much to see and learn, so visit our website or download our app and find out where you can go next.

St. Symphorien Military Cemetery, Belgium.

CWGC RECORDS

100 years on from the end of the First World War Commission staff continue to recover the remains of war casualties from the former battlefields. CWGC records are vital to our work in helping our member governments to identify both those recovered today and those buried after the wars with out a name. Each year reburial and rededication ceremonies take place in our cemeteries. New names are added to our register ensuring that all those who made the ultimate sacrifice are commemorated with dignity and honour.
The Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) commemorates the 1.7 million Commonwealth servicemen and women who died in the two World Wars. It operates at 23,000 sites worldwide and in more than 150 countries and territories.

The Commonwealth War Graves Foundation (CWGF) is our charitable foundation highlighting the work the CWGC does by telling the stories of those we commemorate.

Find out more at www.cwgc.org/support-us

THE CWGC EXPERIENCE
Take a tour behind the scenes at the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

The CWGC Experience is a unique new visitor attraction at the centre of the First World War battlefields in Beaurains, France. Take a look behind the scenes at the work of the CWGC, who care for the fallen of the two World Wars around the globe.

Email: cwgcexperience@cwgc.org

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Located only metres from the Menin Gate, drop in and our friendly team will help you find out more about our local sites or undertake research on our casualty database. You can also pick up a souvenir or join our CWGF Supporter scheme.

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