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, ensuring they will never be forgotten. Funded by six Member Governments, our work began with building, and now maintaining, cemeteries at 23,000 locations all over the world.

Today, over a century after we first began, our work continues through our staff, supporters and volunteers who preserve our unique cultural, horticultural and architectural heritage and ensure that the stories of those who died are told.

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.

The CWGC Experience is a unique visitor attraction. Take a look behind the scenes at the work of the CWGC. Located in Beaurains, near Arras, France.

Visit our Information Centre, located near the Menin Gate in Ieper, Belgium.

To find out more visit 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.

**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.