



1. Why are there war graves in Pakistan?

Nearly 27,500 Commonwealth War Dead of the two World Wars are buried or commemorated by the CWGC in Pakistan in two war cemeteries: one at Rawalpindi, containing burials from both wars; and another at Karachi, established in the early 1950s as a concentration cemetery for 1939-45 War burials in civil and cantonment cemeteries in Pakistan.

Most of the graves of those who died during the First World War, in current day Pakistan, are in civil and cantonment cemeteries, and are no longer maintained by the Commission. In Rawalpindi War Cemetery, which is itself within a cantonment area, there are some 260 1914-18 graves connected mainly with the North-West Frontier operations during the war period. The war dead of the Second World War, in both Rawalpindi and Karachi War Cemeteries, mostly died during training or garrison duties.

2. Where are the war graves in Pakistan?

There are CWGC war graves and memorials at four locations in Pakistan. Study the map below to see where they are.

3. Discover where these people came from

Use the flags to discover where some of those who are buried and remembered in Pakistan had connections to or came from.



Karachi War Cemetery

738 war graves

From: Australia, Canada, France, Ireland, Malawi, New Zealand, Nigeria, South Africa, St Vincent, United Kingdom, USA, Zimbabwe 🚟





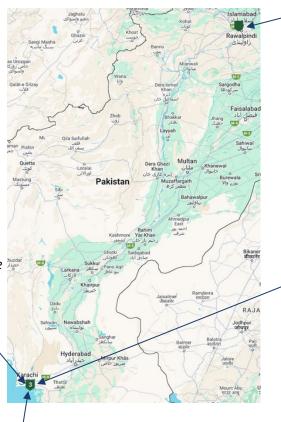












Karachi / Delhi 1939-1945 **War Memorial**

25,866 names

From: India, Nepal. Pakistan, Sri Lanka









Rawalpindi War Cemetery

357 war graves

From: Australia, Canada, Ireland, United Kingdom











Karachi 1914-1918 War Memorial

575 names

From: Australia, Belgium, Ireland, New Zealand, Switzerland, United Kingdom

















4. Discover more about the service of those buried at Karachi War Cemetery

4.1 Each headstone in the cemetery tells a different story.

As you explore the cemetery see what you can learn from the headstones. See if you can find the following;

- 1. Who is the **youngest** soldier you can find?
- 2. Who is the **oldest** soldier you can find?
- 3. How many **different countries** did they come from?



4.2 There is just one headstone which has this badge. What was the rank of the person and how old were they?

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4.3 As you explore the cemetery, look at the different badges on the headstones. These will give you a clue as to the role the person had, and maybe where they came from. As you find each badge, **write down the name of the person who served with that unit**, **or service in the box next to the badge.**



The most senior rank wore this badge. Search for it in **Plot 9**. What was his rank and who did he serve with?



There is just four headstones with this badge on. Find one in **Plot 8**. What was their name and role?



More than a million Australian troops fought across the globe in the world wars. More than 103,000 died. Can you find the RAAF airman in **Plot 3**?



The Royal West African Frontier Force was a unit which recruited in Gambia, Ghana, Nigeria and Sierra Leone. What was this soldier's role?



More than 1.6 million Canadians troops fought across the globe in the world wars. More than 110,000 died in service. Can you find the American serving with the RCAF in Plot 2?





More than 200,000 New Zealand troops, including native Māori's left New Zealand for service overseas in the world wars. More than 30,000 died.