

2023
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Australian Remembrance Trail

In the footsteps of the Australian DIGGERS

The word "digger" has become linked with the concept of the Anzac legend, embodying the qualities of "endurance, courage, ingenuity, good humour."

First Australian Division who fought in France during the World War 1

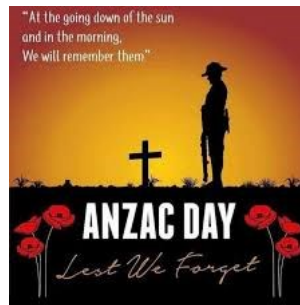
Digger is a military slang term for primarily infantry soldiers from Australia and New Zealand. Its current usage in a military context of the World War I, when Australian and New Zealand troops began using it on the Western Front around 1916-17.

25 April, known as **ANZAC Day**, is the national Remembrance day in Australia and New Zealand. The ceremony pays homage to the men who fought and gave their lives during their first engagement in the first world war .

On the 24th, 25th and 26th of April 1918 at Villers-Bretonneux, thousands of Australian soldiers were proud to give their lives on the orders of general John Monash who won a decisive battle against the Germans?

TRIBUTE TO THE DIGGERS

Since then, the Australian National Memorial at Villers-Bretonneux was one of the last memorials to the Great War to be erected in France.



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| Country | Population (in millions) | Death soldiers | Wounded soldiers |
|-----------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Australia | 4,5 | 61 928 | 152 171 |
| France | 39,6 | 1 397 800 | 4 266 000 |
| USA | 92 | 117 465 | 205 690 |

General Sir John Monash, was an Australian military commander of the First World War. In July 1916 he took charge of the newly raised 3rd Division in northwestern France and in May 1918 became commander of the Australian Corps, at the time the largest corps on the Western Front.

General Sir John MONASH (1865—1931)



Sir John Monash

« Adopt as your fundamental creed that you will equip yourself for life, not solely for your own benefit but for the benefit of the whole community. »