



## Ploegsteert British First World War Memorial



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**This memorial and military cemetery honour the memory of the Commonwealth servicemen who died during the Great War in Communes-Warneton.**

After the first world war, thousands were buried in the mud of the trenches and in the No man's land. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission built this memorial for the families to have an official place to mourn.

This monument, inaugurated in June 1931 and erected along the Ploegsteert -Ypres road in the province of Hainaut, is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, along with 15 other Walloon funeral and memorial sites. It presents as a circular temple of impressive dimensions supported by colonnades and guarded by two stone lions.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission decided to erect this memorial to meet the expectations of bereaved families and to inscribe the names of 11,447 soldiers and officers of the British Empire.

## The Last Post Ceremony

**Each first Friday of the month**, a commemorative ceremony paying tribute to the soldiers having lost their life during the Great War is conducted within the memorial.

The Last Post is sounded at 7 pm. Civil and military authorities as well as various associations, teenagers and pupils of the region gather for the occasion.

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