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THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT (7RAR), VIETNAM 1967

From the time of the arrival of the first members of the Australian Army Training Team Vietnam in 1962 almost 60,000 Australians, including ground troops and air force and navy personnel, served in Vietnam; 521 died as a result of the war and over 3,000 were wounded. The war was the cause of the greatest social and political dissent in Australia since the conscription referendums of the First World War.



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MAKING TEA NEAR BAPAUME, MAY 1916

Three soldiers warming a mess tin of tea over a candle in the reserve line before Riencourt, during the fighting near Bullecourt.

For Australia, the First World War remains the costliest conflict in terms of deaths and casualties. From a population of fewer than five million, 416,809 men enlisted, of whom more than 60,000 were killed and 156,000 wounded, gassed, or taken prisoner.



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ON LEAVE ATHENS, 1941

Almost a million Australians, both men and women, served in the Second World War. They fought in campaigns against Germany and Italy in Europe, the Mediterranean and North Africa, as well as against Japan in south-east Asia and other parts of the Pacific.



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JAFFA PALESTINE. C. 1917

The Middle East campaign began in 1916 with Australian troops taking part in the defence of the Suez Canal and the allied re-conquest of the Sinai Desert. In the following year Australian and other allied troops advanced into Palestine and captured Gaza and Jerusalem; by 1918 they had occupied Lebanon and Syria and on 30 October 1918 Turkey sued for peace.



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FRANCE. JULY 1917

Her Majesty Queen Mary visiting No. 1 Australian General Hospital (1AGH). Australian nurses served in Egypt, France, Greece, and India, often in trying conditions or close to the front, where they were exposed to shelling and aerial bombardment as well as outbreaks of disease.



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D.H.5 A9449 DECEMBER 1917

The Great War was the first armed conflict in which aircraft were used; some 3,000 Australian airmen served with the Australian Flying Corps in the Middle East and France, mainly in observation capacities or providing air support for the infantry.



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NORD PAS DE CALAIS FRANCE DECEMBER 1916

During 1916 and 1917, the Australians and other allied armies repeatedly attacked the German trenches, preceded by massive artillery bombardments intended to cut barbed wire and destroy defences. After these bombardments, waves of attacking infantry would emerge from the trenches into no man's land and advance towards the enemy positions. The surviving Germans, protected by deep and heavily reinforced bunkers, were usually able to repel the attackers with machine-gun fire and artillery support from the rear. These attacks often resulted in limited territorial gains followed, in turn, by German counter-attacks.



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FAREWELL MELBOURNE 1939

Women and children on the wharf wave farewell to friends and family on the departing troop transport ship Strathallan carrying the Advance Party of the 6th Division AIF to service overseas.

The Strathallan was launched in 1937 and requisitioned by the Ministry of Shipping for service as a troop transport on 4 February 1940. She was torpedoed by the German submarine U562, shortly after passing through the Straits of Gibraltar about 75 kilometres (45 miles) off Bougie. It was hoped that she might reach Oran, but her list increased. The SS Strathallan sank 19 kilometres off Oran on 22 December 1942.



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YPRES, BELGIUM OCTOBER 1917

The weather conditions in the Ypres salient proved quite changeable and fickle. The water table in this area is very high and parts of the battlefield were swamp or reclaimed swamp. Heavy rain in early October 1917 turned the devastated battlefield into a quagmire.

Five Australians, members of a field artillery brigade, passing along a duckboard track over mud and water among gaunt bare tree trunks in the devastated Chateau Wood, a portion of one of the battlegrounds in the Ypres salient.



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