Cameroon was formerly a French mandate territory (and later UN trust territory) before gaining independence from France in 1960, uniting with the much smaller former British mandate/trust territory of Southern Cameroons, which gained its independence from the United Kingdom in 1961. Cameroon became a member of the Commonwealth on 13th November 1995.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) is responsible for maintaining commemorations for 48 Commonwealth War Dead at four locations in Cameroon: Bamenda Upstation European Cemetery; Douala Cemetery; Limbe Botanical Gardens Burial Ground; and Limbe European Cemetery.

**Douala Cemetery**
This public cemetery is in the Akwa area of Douala on the opposite side of the road from the Catholic Cathedral of Rue Joss.

The Commission graves are in a single row of 26 headstones, set within a concrete covered plot on the left hand side, about 30 metres in from the entrance. Douala Cemetery contains the largest number of Commonwealth war dead, with 24 burials of the First World War and one burial of the Second World War. In addition, there is one Non-World burial.

**Limbe Botanical Gardens Burial Ground**

Limbe is a coastal town about 50 kilometres west of Douala. The Botanical Gardens are situated opposite the Limbe council offices, adjacent to the old port.
The special memorial headstones are in a kerbed plot by the river, close to the boundary fence and can be seen from the road. The plot is well signposted within the gardens.

There are six casualties from the First World War and 15 casualties from the Second World War (including one unidentified soldier from the African Pioneer Corps (West Africa), R.W.A.F.F.) commemorated here.

Cameroon casualties

Within our records, there are no individuals recorded as being from, or with family connections to, Cameroon.

However, we do commemorate nine casualties from the First World War who are noted as having served in the Cameroons campaign (1914-15).

Commonwealth War Dead (1914-1918)

BIENVILLERS MILITARY CEMETERY, Pas de Calais, France

CATERPILLAR VALLEY CEMETERY, LONGUEVAL, Somme, France

POZIERES MEMORIAL, Somme, France

GAMBIA MEMORIAL, Gambia

NAIROBI BRITISH AND INDIAN MEMORIAL, Kenya
**MANGOCHI TOWN CEMETERY, Malawi**


**HOLLYBROOK MEMORIAL, SOUTHAMPTON, Hampshire, United Kingdom**


**PORTSMOUTH (HIGHLAND ROAD) CEMETERY, Hampshire, United Kingdom**


**ROCHESTER (ST. MARGARET’S) CEMETERY, Kent, United Kingdom**