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Imperial War Museum
iwm.org.uk
Lambeth Road, London SE1 6HZ
mail@iwm.org.uk
020 7416 5320

Order of St John Library and Museum
sja.org.uk/museum
St. John’s Gate, Clerkenwell, London EC1M 4DA
museum@nhq.sja.org.uk
020 7324 4070

The National Archives
nationalarchives.gov.uk
Ruskin Avenue, Kew, Richmond-upon-Thames, Surrey TW9 4DU
enquiry@nationalarchives.gov.uk
020 8876 3444

National Army Museum
national-army-museum.ac.uk
Royal Hospital Road, Chelsea, London SW3 4HT
info@national-army-museum.ac.uk
020 7730 0717

Wellcome Library
wellcome.ac.uk
210 Euston Road, London, NW1 2BE
library@wellcome.ac.uk
020 7611 8722

Leeds University Library Liddle Collection
leeds.ac.uk/library/spcoll/liddle/
University of Leeds, Leeds, LS2 9JT
libraryenquiries@leeds.ac.uk
0113 343 5663

Prisoners of War

Archives Division and Research Service of the International Committee of the Red Cross
icrc.org
19 Avenue de la Paix, Geneva CH-1202, Switzerland
archives@icrc.org
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Nursing

Queen Alexandra’s Royal Army Nursing Corps Museum
ams-museum.org.uk/historyQARANC.htm
Regimental Headquarters QARANC, Keogh Barracks, Ash Vale, Aldershot GU12 5RQ
armymedicalmuseum@btinternet.com
01252 340212

Royal College of Nursing Archives
ukchnm.org
42 South Oswald Road, Edinburgh EH9 2HH
archives@rcn.org.uk
0131 662 1010

Commonwealth War Graves Commission
cwgc.org
2 Marlow Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire, SL6 7DX
01628 634 221

Hospitals

Hospital Records Database (Wellcome Trust/National Archives)
nationalarchives.gov.uk/hospitalrecords
This database provides information on the existence and location of the records of UK hospitals. There are currently over 2,800 entries, compiled by the Wellcome Library for the History and Understanding of Medicine. However, please be aware that British Red Cross hospitals are very sparsely represented, as they were temporary establishments and not part of the existing hospital system.

English Heritage Archive Services
englishheritagearchives.org.uk/
The Engine House, Fire Fly Avenue, Swindon SN2 2EH
archive@english-heritage.org.uk
01793 414600

National Trust properties
Contact the relevant property for information about their collections. Contact details can be found on the National Trust website: nationaltrust.org.uk or telephone 0844 800 1895

London Metropolitan Archives
40 Northampton Road
Clerkenwell
EC1R 0HB
Tel: (+44) 020 7332 3820
Fax: (+44) 020 7833 9136
Email: ask.lma@cityoflondon.gov.uk

Local archive services: The National Archives Archon Directory [online] contains contact details for record repositories across the United Kingdom: nationalarchives.gov.uk/archon/

Useful websites

The National Archives guide to First World War records: nationalarchives.gov.uk/records/looking-for-subject/firstworldwar.htm

1914.org - Highlighting First World War centenary events and resources from across the globe: 1914.org/

The Long, Long Trail - a website detailing the order of battle for the British army in the First World War, including sections on how to research a soldier and the battles and battlefields of the war: www.1914-1918.net/

The Great War Forum:

Books


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