



Virtual War Memorial Australia FINDING PHOTOGRAPHS

Photographs bring profiles to life!



Begin your search with
the state library...

The state library of each state of Australia holds collections of photographs that may contain images of the people you are researching. Where did your individual come from? Check the state library of that state – you may find an image!

The State Library of South Australia, for example, holds some fantastic collections of photographs taken throughout South Australia's history. Click on the link to search their catalogue.

<http://www.catalog.slsa.sa.gov.au/search/X>

For digital images in the Library catalogue, click on Advanced Search and select **Photograph** from the drop-down **Format** box. (To discover the full range of images held within the collections, whether digitised or not, perform a keyword search.)

TIPS

- You can also add the years to find photographs taken during the war – eg. 1914 to 1918 for images from World War One.
- Using just the surname in your search may turn up photographs of other family members or family group portraits.
- Not coming up with relevant photographs? Try adding “Soldiers—South Australia” as a SUBJECT.
- Or you might look for photographs of soldiers from a particular town, using the town's name as a keyword in “any field”.

Once you find a photograph that sounds like it might be related to your individual click “Look at it/more info”.



Portrait of four soldiers, three Privates and one Sergeant, one soldier is Fogarty [B 46130/88].



PRG 280/1/39/5: South Australian Military Medal Recipients

To find out more about the photograph and the people and places in it, click the blue “info” icon.



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Researching a Person -
Finding Photographs

Photograph (294,118)



Then search **The Australian War Memorial**. It has **80,621** photographs related to World War One! Click on the link to search their collections.

<https://www.awm.gov.au/collections>

Scroll down to "Collections" and click on "Photograph".

In the search box, type the name of your individual.

You can then filter the tens of thousands of pictures using the list on the left side of the screen by:

Conflicts – this will help to make your search more relevant; eg. First World War 1914-1918.

Units – you can narrow down the search even more by adding the unit in which your individual served, eg. 10th Australian Infantry Battalion

Places – you can also refine your search by the location of the photograph, eg. Adelaide or Gallipoli.



An informal portrait of Captain Harrison of the 10th Battalion sitting in a trench - AWM A00719.



Major Clayton and Captain Dawson, Gallipoli, Turkey, 1915. NLA pic-vn6448111.



Another place to search is the **National Library of Australia**.

<http://catalogue.nla.gov.au/Search/Advanced>

Enter the name of your individual into one of the "Search For" fields.

Limit your search to "Picture".

And set your date limits to date published between **1914** and **1918** inclusive. Then click on "Find".

Limit To

Format:

Current search limits: Picture

Language: (start typing to see options)

Date published between: and inclusive
For a single year, enter the same year in both boxes. For an open-ended range, enter start year