

MONUMENTS AND SCULPTURES TO THE HEROES OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR IN RUSSIA

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On August 1, Russia celebrates the Day of Memory of Russian soldiers who died during the First World War.



At the opening ceremony of the monument to the heroes of the First World War on Poklonnaya Hill in Moscow on August 1, 2014, Russian President Vladimir Putin took part. The main figure of the hundred-ton monument was a Russian soldier with St. George's crosses on his chest. The second element of the memorial is a multi-figure composition that embodies the Russian flag. "The monument to the soldiers of the First World War is not only a tribute to great feats.



On August 1, 2014, on the day of memory of the soldiers who died in the First World War, a monument appeared in the Moscow region: in the National Horse Park "Rus" (Leninsky district of the Moscow region) the solemn ceremony of opening the obelisk "To the Warriors of the First World War" was held.



In Pskov, work has been completed to install a 7-meter stela, crowned with the symbol of the Russian Empire - a two-headed eagle. On the pedestal with the inscription "To the Heroes of the First World War" is a figure of a soldier with a "trilinear" in his hands. Behind the soldier's back there is a bas-relief with the banner of the Pskov Infantry Regiment. The monument was located in a park not far from the railway station - the place where the military units arrived. In Pskov during the First World War, the front headquarters and military hospitals were located, and the 23rd Pskov Infantry Division was deployed.





Monument to the Cossacks - heroes of the First World War was established May 7, 2014 at the walls of the Don Emperor Alexander III Cossack cadet corps in Novocherkassk. The monument is made in the form of a figure of a Cossack with a symbolic outline of the St. George cross behind - a sign of distinction of Russian soldiers, awarded for bravery on the battlefield. The monument appeared on the initiative of the administration of Novocherkassk and thanks to sponsorship. This is one of six monuments to the St. George knights who will be



May 30, 2014 at the walls of the fortress of the Astronomical Bastion in Kaliningrad, a bronze monument was created, designed by the People's Artist of Russia Salavat Shcherbakov for donations of companies and individuals. The Kaliningrad region is the only one in Russia, where during the First World War active military operations were conducted. At the 11-meter pedestal were three figures: a noble officer, a peasant and a raznochinets, embodying the unity of the people of Russia, defending their homeland.

July 28 in the center of Volgograd, a monument to the inhabitants of Tsaritsyn - participants of the First World War. The monument is a cross with a two-headed eagle sitting on it. The funds for the creation of the 600-kilogram sculpture were collected by the city residents during the year.





On August 1, 2014, the "Russian Guard of the Great War" monument was opened in front of the Vitebsk railway station in St. Petersburg. The composition depicting soldiers looking out from the train car, going to the front to defend the Fatherland, is formed into a large bronze cross.

- ◎ **I've decided to make this project because I think that we must know something about that war.**
- ◎ **Those monuments are very important for the younger generation.**
- ◎ **We must preserve the memory of the past, honor the traditions and great deeds of our ancestors.**

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