

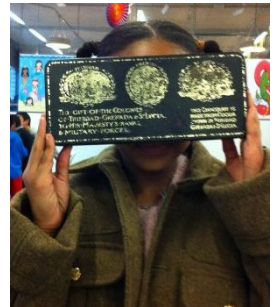
**You will see artwork inspired by WW1 medals and chocolate tins in the family Area of the Exhibition Space. This is where the Back from the Western Front exhibition will be displayed until 7 January 2018.**

**There are medal and chocolate tin colouring sheets on the following pages of this document.**

### **WW1 Chocolate tin**

This First World War chocolate box is an example of one of the many different types of gifts sent by groups of well-wishers, from both the UK and overseas, to members of His Majesty's (King George V) Forces. The tin bears the emblems of Trinidad, Grenada and St. Lucia and is marked:

'The gift of the colonies of Trinidad, Grenada & St Lucia to His Majesty's Naval & Military forces' and 'this chocolate is made from cocoa grown in Trinidad, Grenada & St Lucia'.



### **WW1 Medals**

During World War One Africa was an active theatre of war with much fighting against German or German-led forces.

African soldiers fighting in British forces in Africa could be awarded these medals: the **Distinguished Conduct Medal** and the **Military Medal** and **Africa General Service Medal**.



The West African Frontier Force ('WAFF') Distinguished Conduct Medal (DCM) was awarded by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to African non-commissioned officers and men of the following regiments: Queen's Own Nigeria Regiment (such as to Belo Akure); the Gold Coast Regiment; the Royal Sierra Leone Regiment; and the Gambia Regiment and the Somaliland Camel Corps and Nyasaland Regiment for bravery. The Distinguished Conduct Medal was regarded as second only to the Victoria Cross in prestige.

Military Medal



African soldiers also qualified for the standard British First World War campaign medals such as the Allied Victory Medal and British War Medal as if they were part of a British Army unit that was involved in opposing German forces in an active theatre of war. These medals were awarded to 'men of the British, Dominion, Colonial and Indian Forces' and the African units would have been 'Colonial Forces' in this context.

Distinguished Conduct Medal



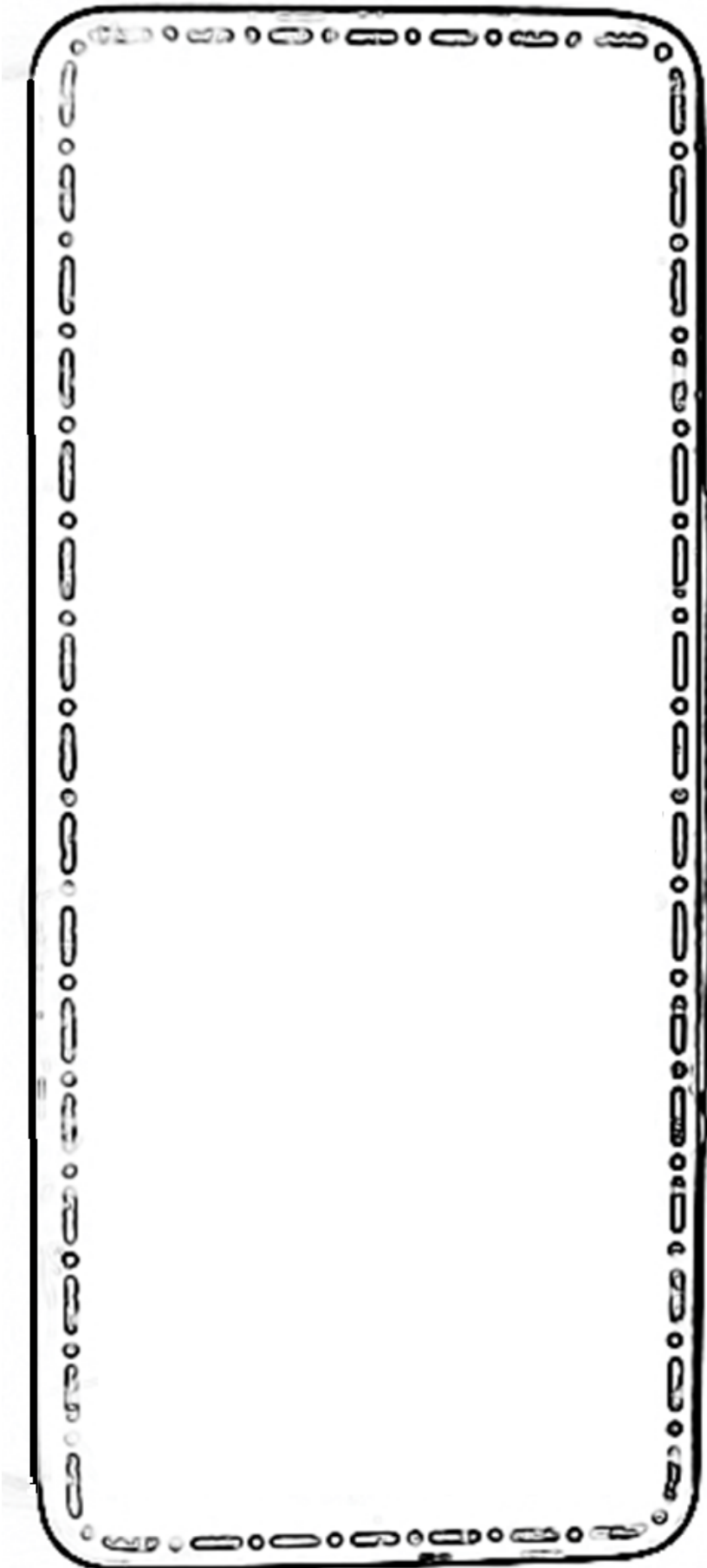
Until 1993, the **Military Medal** was a military decoration awarded to personnel of the British Army and other services, and formerly also to personnel of other Commonwealth countries, below commissioned rank, for bravery in battle on land.

The **Africa General Service Medal** was awarded to soldiers involved in local wars or rebellions between 1900 and 1956. Most medals were granted to British led local forces, including the King's African Rifles and the West African Frontier Force.

Africa General Service Medal



Design a chocolate tin





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