

British soldiers splashing in the water at Corfu. WW1

Image: Imperial War Museum

Time spent out of the line at least offered the opportunity for the frontline soldier to get clean. Communal baths would be set up and lice-infested clothing steam-cleaned. The chance to be clean was another essential prop to morale.



**British
soldiers in
the sea at
Etaples,
France,
1917.**

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**British
troops in
the River
Tigris,
Baghdad,
1917.** Image:
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Patients from a convalescent hospital playing in the sea, France, 1918. Image: Imperial War Museum



**British
soldiers
playing with a
ball in the
water at
Corfu.**

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**British
soldiers
swim in the
Somme
region,
France,
1916.**

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War Museum



**British
soldiers in a
farm pond
near St.
Eloi,
Flanders,
1917.**

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