International Memorial of Notre Dame de Lorette

Ablain Saint Nazaire, France

In commemoration of the 100th anniversary of World War I, this monument is positioned on a hillside at Notre-Dame-de-Lorette and overlooking France’s largest military cemetery. The focus of the monument is the Ring of Remembrance, a circular structure listing the names of the nearly 580,000 soldiers who lost their lives at the battles of Flanders and Artois. Thanks to its use of corrosion resistant coloured stainless steel, the names etched on to the ring’s 500 panels will stand the test of time. Standing solemnly over the battlefield, the Ring of Remembrance is a work of art bridging the past to the present and spanning into the future.

Environment: rural
Material: Aperam 316L bronze coloured stainless steel
Manufacturer: Aperam
Architects: Philippe Prost Architecte / AAPP
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