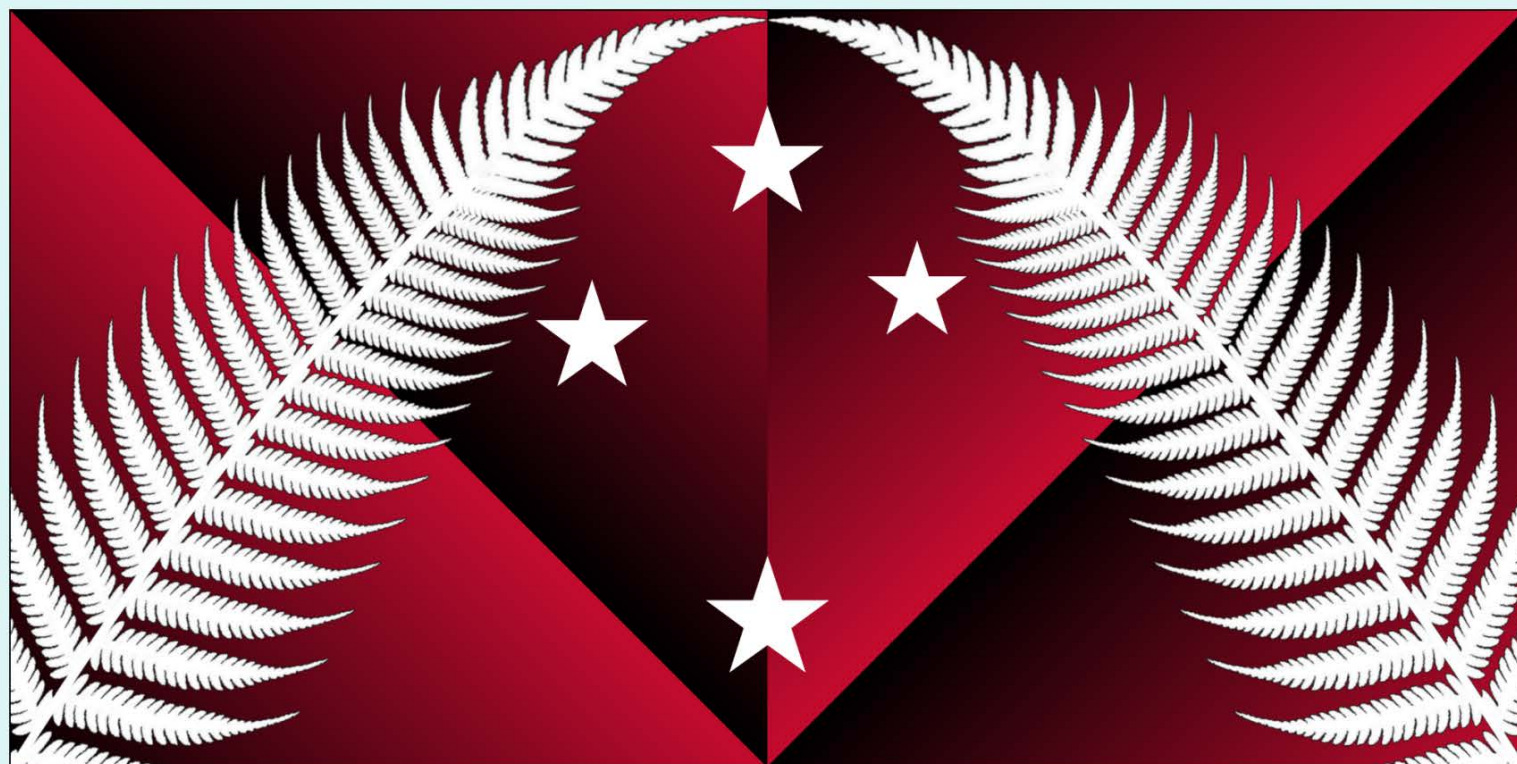


“Abracadabra variant 20A”, an alternative New Zealand national flag design  
(with suggested adaptations of the design to the other major flags and ensigns of the nation)



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Many so-called flag design experts claim that flags with graduated colours cannot be easily or economically manufactured, but they lie. Colours with thousands of graduations are no problem at all for digital flag printers, and even screen printing set-ups with as few as a dozen-or-so screens can produce acceptable colour graduations for most of the common sizes of flags. For sewn flags, sections of pre-printed, graduated-colour fabric can always be stitched into their proper locations in an overall design, in the same way that any other sewn flag is assembled. Like [variant 20](#) of the basic Abracadabra flag design, variant 20A presents a red-and-black background that is an abstract representation of the capitalised letters 'NZ', but in this case the colours are graduated, producing a look that is arguably far more aesthetic. As in most of the Abracadabra design variants, the centre of the flag's background is defaced by a white-starred, New Zealand-style Southern Cross, above which two realistically-rendered silver fern fronds gracefully arch, completing the design.