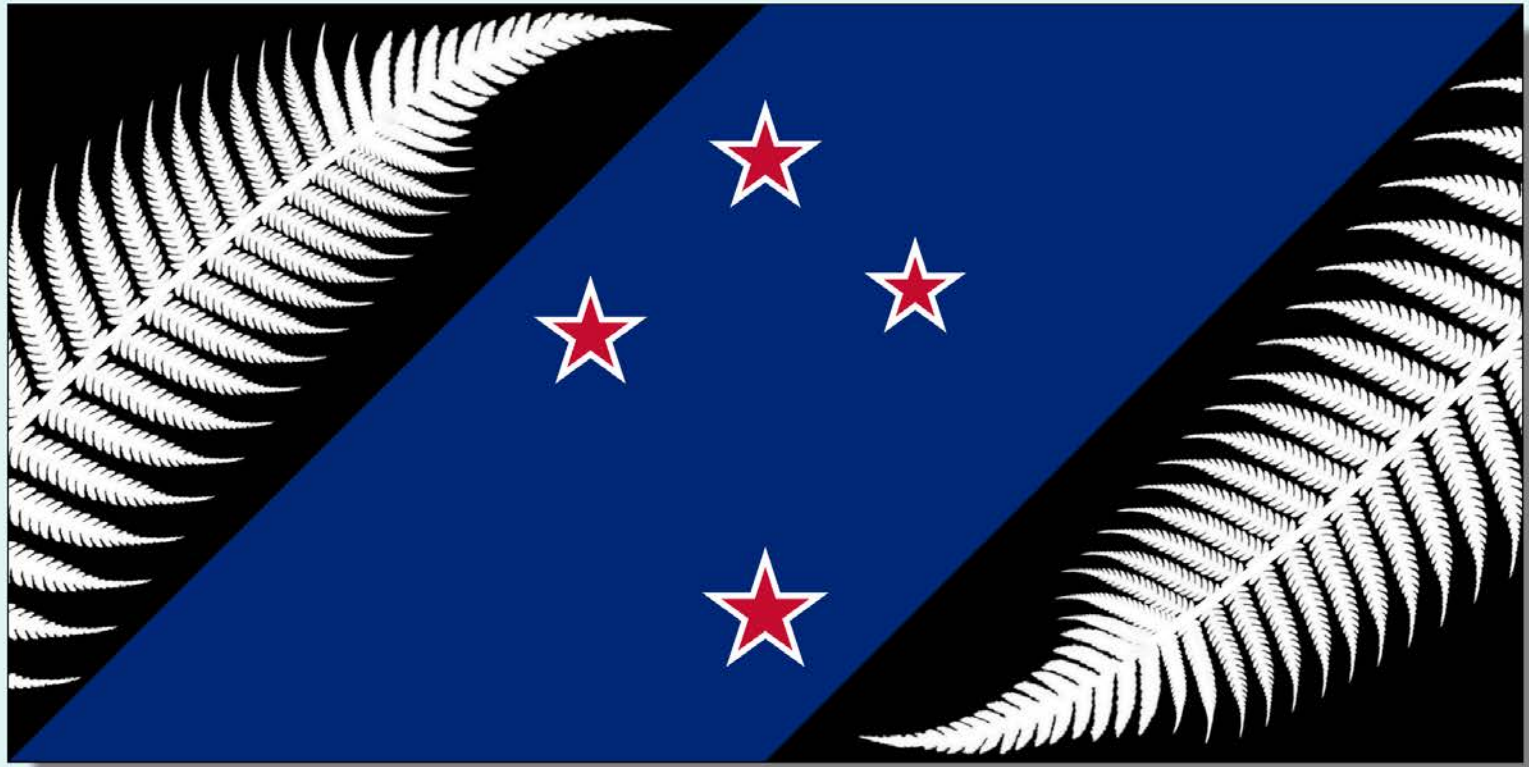


# “Alsophila Empire”, an alternative New Zealand national flag design

(with suggested adaptations of the design to the other major flags and ensigns of the nation)



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In this striking and unique design, black, diagonally-opposite triangular fields at the hoist and at the fly each occupy a quarter of the area of the full flag. Between the triangles there is a wide diagonal stripe that has half of the area of the flag. This centre stripe can easily accommodate a blue field and the traditional New Zealand-style red-and-white Southern Cross, or other fields and symbols as required by the remaining flags and ensigns of the nation, as illustrated above. The black fields are especially suitable for use as backgrounds for large fronds of *Alsophila dealbata*, New Zealand's ubiquitous silver fern. Whether waving in the wind or hanging slack, this flag will display a good bit of NZ's most well-known symbol.