

“Alsophila Empire variant 11”, 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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The black, horizontally symmetrical triangular fields in this variant of the 'Alsophila Empire' design are placed at the bottom edge of the flag, leaving a 'V-shaped' central field that has half of the flag's total area. The top edge of the V extends for the full length of the flag, allowing its field and symbols to be the dominant visual element, whether these are the blue field and the New Zealand-style red-and-white Southern Cross of the national flag, or the various other fields and symbols of the remaining flags and ensigns of the nation, as illustrated above. The black fields at the hoist and at the fly serve as backgrounds for large white fronds of downward-hanging Alsophila dealbata, NZ's ubiquitous silver fern, and the fronds themselves serve as backgrounds for kiwi silhouettes. Thus the design unites all of NZ's main symbols and official colours.