"Fernesque Arabesque", a New Zealand national flag design (suggested derivative flags and ensigns are also depicted)

Suggested flags for the Ross Dependency and for the South Island



It will not be possible for this flag to drape in any way that does not display the silver fern fronds of its hoist, nor in any way that does not display the red-and-blue stripes of its fly. Thus whether waving or draped, the flag will be instantly recognisable as that of New Zealand. The sixteen stripes of the fly represent the official regions of New Zealand proper, whilst they prevent the high-contrast white stars of the New Zealand-style Southern Cross from being confused with the Oz Southern Cross. With its fly in traditional NZ flag colours of red-white-and-blue, and its hoist in NZ's national colours of black-and-white, this flag ticks all the boxes.