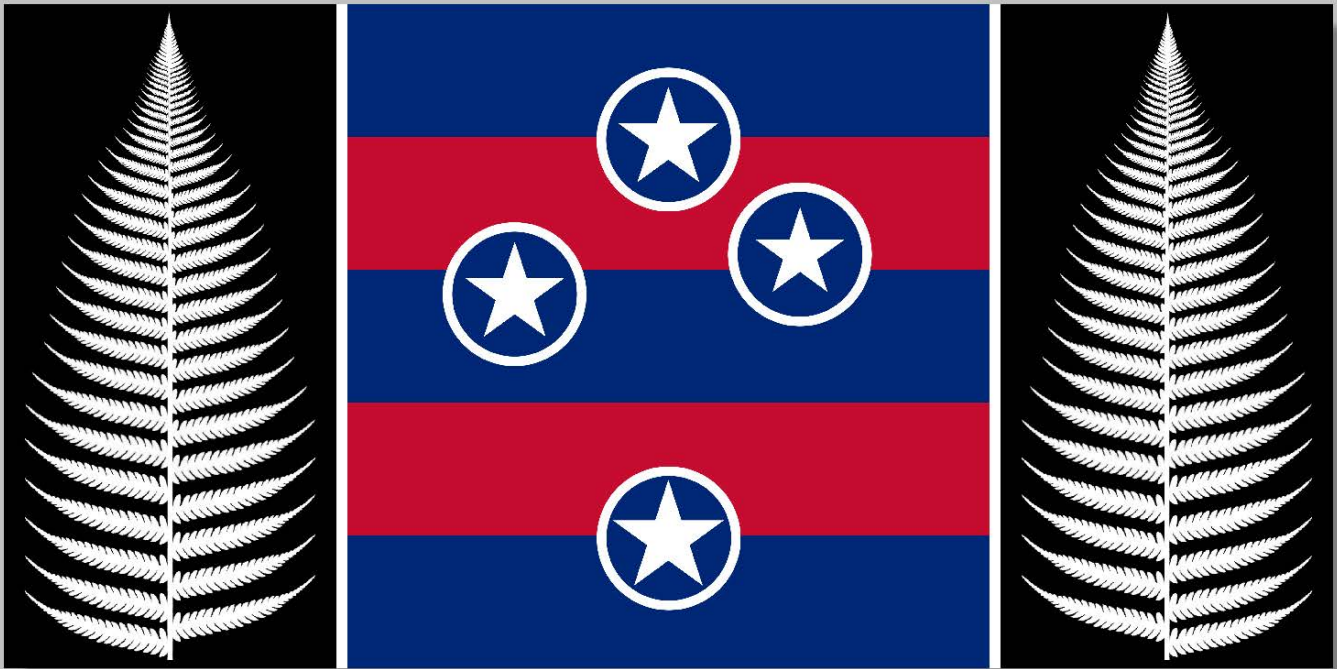


**"Flanked by Ferns", a New Zealand national flag design
(suggested derivative flags and ensigns are also depicted)**

Suggested flags for the Ross Dependency and for the South Island are based on previous designs by vexillologist James Dignan



Naval ships ensign



Air Force ensign



Civil ships ensign



Civil aviation ensign



Police Service ensign



Fire Service ensign



Customs Service ensign



Yacht Squadron ensign



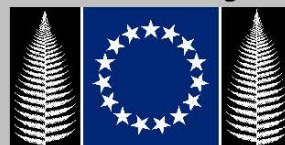
RSA ensign



Niue flag



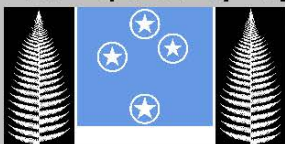
Cook Islands flag



Tokelau flag



Ross Dependency flag



Army ensign



Government ensign



UN ensign



Chatham Islands flag



Stewart Island flag



Otago flag



South Island flag



Symmetrically located at both the hoist edge and the fly edge are vertical silver fern fronds, their near-realism preventing them from looking like logos. Offset by vertical white fimbriations, the area between the fern fronds is essentially what would be the fly on other flags, here given added prominence by its centring. The five blue-and-red stripes represent the main areas of the full Realm of New Zealand: NZ proper, Niue, Tokelau, the Cook Islands, and the Ross Dependency. The stars of the Southern Cross are both white and white-haloed, affording maximum contrast and best visibility from a distance. The treatment of the centred 'fly' and the high-contrast stars has been carried over to several of the other suggested NZ flags and ensigns.

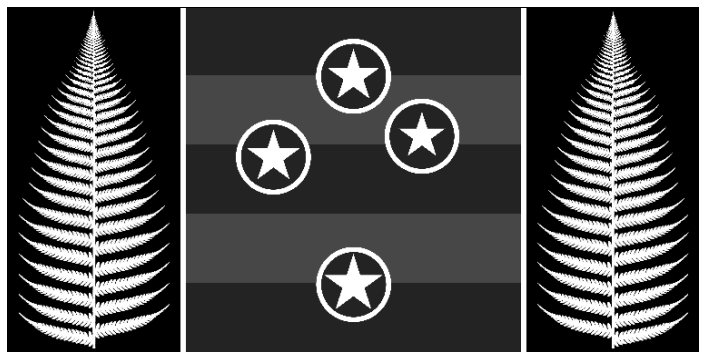
The image below shows how 'Flanked by Ferns' and its derived ensigns will appear in a lack of wind.



The image to the left shows how the flag will appear when it is draped vertically as a banner.

The image to the right shows how the flag will appear when it is published in grayscale.

The image below shows how the flag will appear when it is draped over a coffin as a pall.



The image to the left shows how the flag will appear when it is reduced in size to become a lapel pin.



The image to the left shows how the flag will appear when waving. In any wind conditions, and at any distance, it will be instantly recognisable as the flag of New Zealand.

Dozens of additional New Zealand national flag designs can be found at: newzealand.flagoptions.com