"Flanked by Ferns variant 32", 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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This variant of the 'Flanked by Ferns' flag design echoes the 'Canadian Pale' vertical tribar design of the original, but now its centre pale displays sixteen horizontal red-and-blue stripes, so as to numerically symbolise all of the official regions of New Zealand proper. The stripes are graced by a white-stars version of the New Zealand-style Southern Cross, a choice that affords good contrast between the stars and the stripes. The centre area can readily accommodate the characteristic fields and symbols of the remaining flags and ensigns of the nation, as illustrated above. With its red-white-and-blue centre field and its hoist and fly areas of white-on-black, this flag incorporates all of the de facto national colours of New Zealand, and with its bold, horizontal red-and-blue stripes, it will be utterly unique amongst all other national flag designs.