"From a kiwi Point-of-View", 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 flag design suggests the possibility that the humble nocturnal kiwi, foraging through the New Zealand underbrush at night, may on occasion glance upwards beyond the whitish undersides of silver fern frond canopies, and pause to contemplate the stars. If Kiwis can ponder the Southern Cross, perhaps kiwis can too. The design frames an open central area with a diagonally-symmetrical arrangement of sixteen fern fronds, representing the official regions of New Zealand proper. The central area nicely accommodates an octagon at the full height of the flag, providing a way to attractively adapt the design to those of all of the other major flags and ensigns of the nation, as shown above. A special 'banner' version of the flag, with its centred Southern Cross left-rotated by 90° as shown to the left, will be particularly suitable when it is used as a pall.