"New Zild variant 4", 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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As with other variants of the original 'New Zild' design, this one uses an arrangement of sixteen Escheresque blocks to represent the official regions of New Zealand proper. In the centre of the arrangement is a three-block region in green, meant to symbolise the verdure of New Zealand's three main islands. Those who complain that geometric figures can neither represent a country nor its parts are reminded that the current flag of New Zealand represents the countries of England, Scotland, and Ireland using the geometric figures of vertical and horizontal crosses. So why can New Zealand not be represented by geometric blocks? Those in this flag design contain black-and-white, the official national colours of New Zealand, plus a good helping of red, set against a blue field in the flag's hoist area. For the national flag, the fly displays the traditional red-and-white stars of the New Zealand-style Southern Cross, and for the remaining flags and ensigns of the nation, it readily accommodates other required field colours and symbols, as illustrated above.