"Sunset Beachcomber variant 10", 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 shares most of the DNA of variant 5A of the 'Sunset Beachcomber' flag design, but here there are only two green silver fern fronds, and the tableau of the large kiwi, having emerged from the bush to forage along a beach at sunset, occupies the full hoist area of the flag. In black-white-red-and-blue, the tableau again displays all of the de facto national colours of New Zealand, along with nice touches of gold-and-green. For the national flag, the entire fly area has been given a blue field, which is graced by the traditional red-and-white stars of the New Zealand-style Southern Cross, whilst for the remaining flags and ensigns of the nation, the fly area readily accommodates other required field colours and symbols, as illustrated above. This flag honours the namesake of the Kiwis in ways that will make it easy to identify as being that of New Zealand, at any distance and in any wind. With its six colours and with its near-realistic fern fronds, it may break some pedantic flag design rules, but so what?