"The Antipodes 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 of 'The Antipodes' design is very similar to variant 9. It presents vertical bars at its hoist and at its fly, each one-quarter of the length of the flag. These have red borders, each surrounding an arrangement of black-and-white triangles like those in variant 9. The triangles still allow an abstract capitalised 'N' to be seen at the left edge of the flag, and an abstract capitalised 'Z' at its right edge, whether the flag is viewed from its obverse or its reverse sides, and again the triangles are overlain with half-white/half-green silver fern fronds. Because of the red borders, there is no need, as was the case for variant 9, to occasionally reverse the colours of the hoist and fly areas when they are added to all of the remaining flags and ensigns of the nation, as illustrated above. Since the black triangles are now uppermost, they combine with the blue central field of the national flag to form a dark, open-topped 'wedge', and the white portions of the silver fern fronds are now more dominant as well. Because of these qualities, plus the added and desirable red colour that the borders provide to the flag, the overall visual effect of this variant may be more pleasing than was the case for variant 9.