

New Zealand's Flag & Symbols — Knowledge Organiser

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Key facts

- New Zealand's flag is blue with the Union Jack and four red stars (the Southern Cross).
- The kiwi bird is a much-loved national symbol.
- The silver fern is widely used, including by sports teams.
- The koru, a spiral fern shape, is a Māori symbol of new life.

Key vocabulary

- Flag — a national symbol made of cloth.
- Symbol — something standing for an idea.
- Southern Cross — a southern constellation.
- Koru — a spiral symbol of new life.

Symbols of identity

The kiwi, the silver fern and the koru all help express what is special about New Zealand.

Stars on the flag

The four red stars on the flag show the Southern Cross, a constellation seen in southern skies.