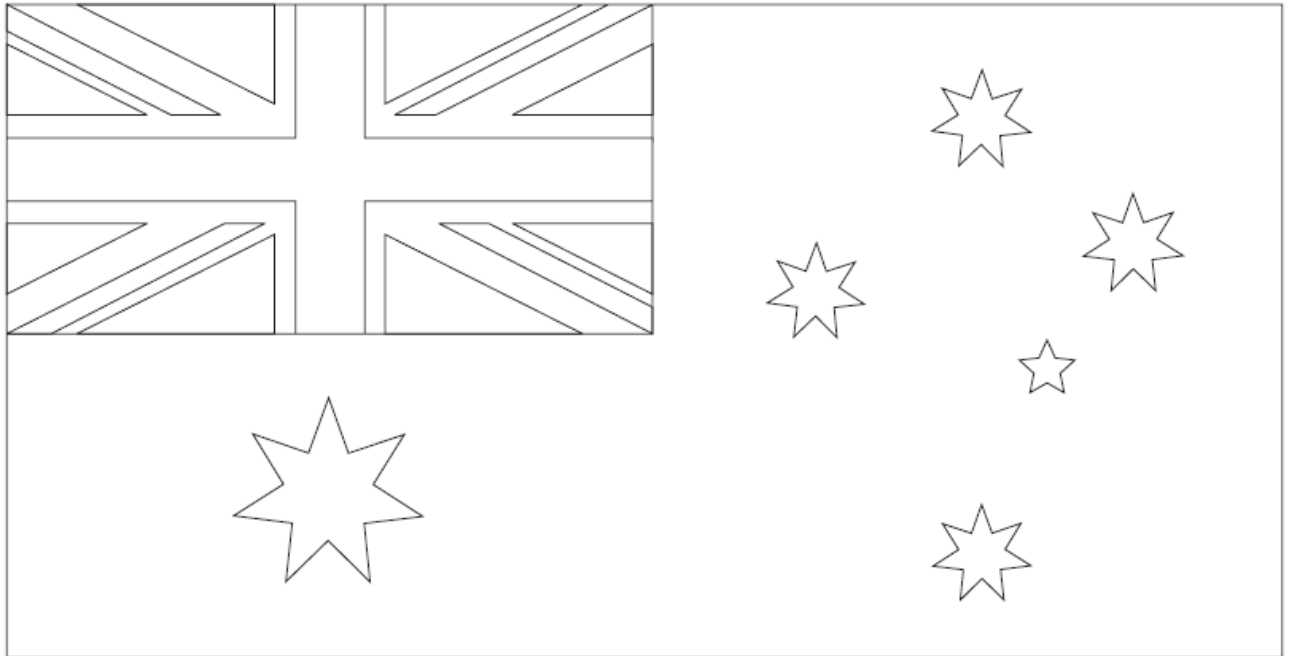


# Australian Flag



The Australian National Flag has three elements on a blue background. The Union Jack in the upper left corner acknowledges Australia's historical links with the United Kingdom.

Below the Union Jack is a white Commonwealth Star. The seven points are for the unity of the six states and the territories of the Commonwealth of Australia.

The Southern Cross is shown on the right hand side of the flag in white. This constellation of five stars can be seen only from the southern hemisphere and is a reminder of Australia's geography.