The national flag of Australia dates back to 1901 when a competition was held to design a new flag. There are three elements in the design. The Union Jack, representing Australia's recent history; the seven pointed commonwealth star indicating that Australia is a member of the Commonwealth of Nations; and the Southern Cross, showing Australia's proud position in the southern hemisphere.

Similar to and not to be confused with:
- New Zealand's flag
- Fiji's flag
Colour in Australian flag