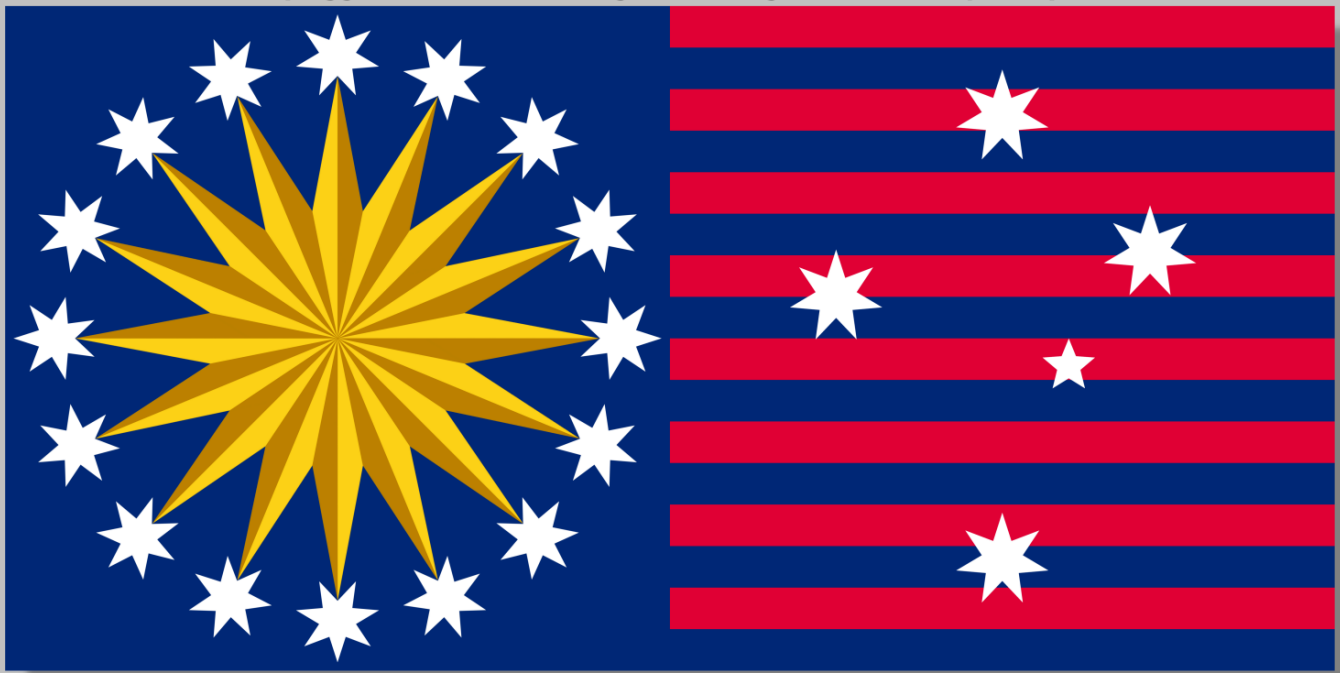


**"Sweet Sixteen", an Australian national flag design  
(suggested derivative flags and ensigns are also depicted)**



**Naval ships ensign**



**Air Force ensign**



**Civil ships ensign**



**Civil aviation ensign**



**Border Force ensign**



**Army ensign**



**Gov't ships ensign**



**United Nations ensign**



**Flag of New South Wales**



**Governor's flag**



**Flag of South Australia**



**Governor's flag**



**Flag of Western Australia**



**Governor's flag**



**Flag of Tasmania**



**Governor's flag**



**Flag of Victoria**



**Governor's flag**



**Flag of Queensland**



**Governor's flag**



Centred in the hoist, suggesting both the Commonwealth Star and Australia's abundant sunshine, a sixteen-point 'raised' gold star represents all of the nation's states and territories. The points of the star are further accentuated by white stars. In the fly, sixteen red-and-blue stripes also symbolise the full extent of the Australian realm, making it tempting to call this design 'the lower 48', since it thrice represents the sixteen states and territories of the The Land Down Under. Gracing the stripes and completing the design is the traditional Australian-style Southern Cross. In every way this design would make for a unique national flag.