

Flag of Turkmenistan - A Brief History



Where In The World



Trivia

The national flag is the most detailed flag in the world.

Technical Specification

Adopted:	24 th January 2001
Proportion:	2:3
Design:	A plain green field with five stacked carpet guls and a white crescent moon and five five-pointed stars.

Colours:	PMS	Green: 342C	Red: 187C	Orange: 1375C		
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Brief History

From 1867 the western part of Turkestan, that was to become Turkmenistan, adopted the flag of the Russian Empire. The flag is a white-blue-red horizontal tricolour.

In 1818 the area was part of the Russian Soviet Federative Socialist Republic called the Turkestan Autonomous Soviet Socialist Republic. The flag adopted was a plain red field with ACCP in the top left corner.



The Flag of Turkestan
(1867 – 1918)



The Flag of Turkestan Autonomous Soviet Socialist Republic
(1918 - 1924)

In 1925 the area became the Turkmen Soviet Social Republic and adopted a new soviet flag with a dark red field, two horizontal blue stripes with a five-pointed gold outlined star, gold hammer and sickle in the top left corner.

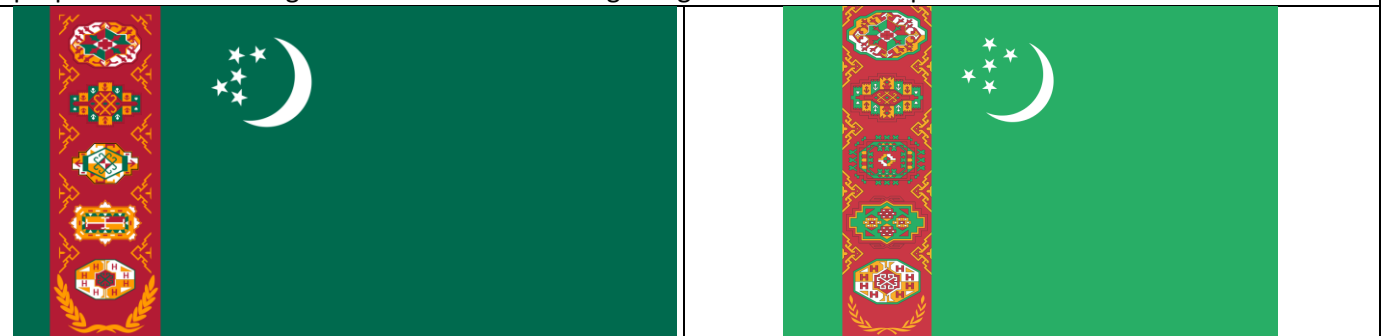
A new flag was adopted a year after independence in 1992, it was a plain dark green field with an intricate vertical stripe on the left hand side next to a crescent moon and five white pointed stars. The stripe contained five red carpet guls representing the Turkmen tribes and the stars represent the five provinces of Turkmenistan.



**The Flag of Turkmen SSR
(1925 – 1991)**

**The Flag of Turkmenistan
(1992 – 1997)**

An olive branch was added to the flag in 1997 to represent the peaceful nature of the population. In 2001 the proportions were changed from 1:2 to 2:3 and a lighter green field was adopted.



**The Flag of Turkmenistan
(1997 - 2001)**

**The Flag of Turkmenistan
(2001 to Present Day)**

The Emblem of Turkmenistan

The emblem was adopted in 2003, It features a green eight-pointed starburst symbol of Islam inside of which is a red disk with blue centre surrounded by a waxing crescent, five stars and wheat.

Inside the red disc is a blue disc with a depiction of a horse surrounded by the five carpet gulls. representing the five major tribes of Turkmenistan. The Tribes are Teke, Yomut, Arsary, Chowdur and Saryk.

The waxing crescent represents hope, the green and red colours represent the Turkmen and wheat represents welcoming guests with salt and bread.



The Historical Emblems of Turkmenistan

The First Emblem of Turkmenistan was adopted in 1992 and features all the symbols of the modern emblem but in a red bordered yellow disc. In 2000 the emblem was changed to feature a blue disc inside a red disc, inside a green disc.



The Emblem of Turkmenistan



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(1992 -2000)

(2000 – 2003)

The Standard of the President of Turkmenistan

The Standard of the President of Turkmenistan feature a green field with a white thin strip on the left side. A gold bordered eight-pointed starburst inside of which is a five-headed eagle is on the right side and a waxing crescent with five five-pointed stars in the top left.



The Flags of the Military of Turkmenistan

The Flag of the Turkmen Ground Forces features a plain green field with a white crescent moon and five five-pointed stars at the centre.

The Flag of the Turkmen Air Forces features a dark blue field with yellow sun and rays with the white crescent moon and five five-pointed stars at the centre.

The Flag of the Turkmen Navy features a plain white field with blue horizontal stripe in the lower portion representing the sea and a golden crescent moon and five five-pointed stars in the centre.

The Roundel of Turkmenistan is a dark-red bordered green disc with white crescent moon and five five-pointed stars at the centre.



The Flag of the Turkmen Ground Forces



The Flag of the Turkmen Air Force



The Flag of the Turkmen Navy



The Roundel of Turkmenistan