

The Australian Blue Ensign - our star-crossed federal banner

Start with the images on the left of the sheet. Use scissors to cut out the stars. Glue them in place. Cut in the middle of the white lines to reveal the artistically pinwheeled red diagonal Cross of St Patrick from the Flag of Ireland. Stick it over the white diagonal Cross of St Andrew on the Flag of Scotland. Cut inside the dashed border around the red Cross of St George on the Flag of England.

Glue it over the St Patrick's and St Andrew's Crosses to make a Union Jack. Use a ruler and a wooden skewer (or a knife) to score lines joining the colour-coded + signs. Cut out the Union Jack and glue it at the honoured top corner of the large blue block. Repeat the above instructions for the right side of the sheet. Cut inside the dashed red line, spread glue behind that rectangle, place a skewer in the middle of it and fold the paper so the skewer is gripped tightly and serves as a flag pole.

The Israelites are to camp around the Tent of Meeting ... every man under his standard, with the banners of his family (Numbers 2:2).





