

# The Flag of Peru



*Color the flag of the Peru. The two outer vertical bands are red and the center band is white.*

The flag of Peru was adopted on February 25, 1825, a few years after Peru gained independence from Spain. The flag has three vertical bands of red, white and red. The white band holds the national coat of arms in the center. The flag was designed by Jose de San Martin, a man considered to be one of the leaders for independence of the colonies in South America's from Spain.

The red color in the flag is said to symbolize bravery and the blood shed in the Peruvian fight for freedom. The white symbolizes peace and justice. The coat of arms features a mountain llama, a cinchona tree {the national tree}, and a cornucopia with gold coins spilling out of it {symbolizing prosperity} ~ all encircled by a green wreath.