

Georgia State Flag

Peach State • Capital: Atlanta • Statehood: 1788

Overview

Three horizontal bars of red, white, red, with a blue canton carrying a ring of stars around the state's coat of arms. The pillars and arch represent the Constitution, supported by wisdom, justice and moderation. Georgia's flag nods to the national Stars and Stripes while declaring its own creed.

Flag specifications

Adopted: 2003-05-08

Designer: Legislative adoption

Ratio: 2:3

Three horizontal red-white-red stripes with blue canton bearing 13 stars and state coat of arms.

Colors

   
#B22234 #002D72 #FFFFFF #FFD700

Symbolism

13 stars	Represent Georgia as one of the original colonies.
coat of arms	Highlights Constitution, wisdom, justice, and moderation.
red, white, red stripes	Modeled after Confederate Stars and Bars.

Historical timeline

- 1788: Georgia admitted as the 4th state.
- 2003: Current flag adopted.
- 1956 — Controversial Confederate battle flag design.

Notable facts

- Georgia has had several flag redesigns in modern times.
- Known as the Peach State for its agricultural heritage.
- The current flag design was adopted in 2003.
- The design is based on the First National Flag of the Confederacy.
- The state seal appears within the blue canton.
- The three pillars on the seal represent the branches of government.
- The words 'Wisdom, Justice, Moderation' appear on the seal.
- The flag uses red, white, and blue to reflect the U.S. flag.

Seal deep dive

stateSeal

The Georgia state seal centered within a blue canton.

Meaning: The three branches of government protected by law and military readiness

pillars

Three white pillars supporting an arch labeled 'Constitution'.

Meaning: Legislative, executive, and judicial branches of government

motto

The words 'Wisdom, Justice, Moderation' displayed on banners.

Meaning: Core principles guiding the state's governance

stripes

Three horizontal stripes: red, white, red.

Meaning: Valor, purity, and sacrifice

Vexillology notes

Design type: Modified national-style flag with state seal

Complexity: 7/10

Readability: 6/10

Printable reference sheet for classroom use.