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Flags can be portraits of a country's historical past, like the American Flag. As one of America's most [historical flags](#), the American flag still has 13 red and white stripes, signifying the original 13 colonies.

According to the history books the first American flag was made by Betsy Ross who knew George Washington well. One day Washington showed up in her shop in Philadelphia and showed her the design of the flag. In 1912 the American president ordered that the American flag was to have the same design all over the country. For over 50 years the flag has not changed.

What is the relevance of Flags during Battle?

Flags have been raised in times of battle, but sometimes countries will use a different flag for battle than they do in peacetime. Some countries will take their coat of arms off the flag design in peacetime, because a coat of arms usually stands for a strong military presence. Actually, flags were most likely developed long ago as something army men could recognize as their own during a war. During war, when the air is clouded with dust, soldiers had trouble staying with their group. Looking up in the sky, a soldier could see his country's flag waving through the air, then get back with his fellow soldiers.

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What is the Gadsden Flag?

The rattlesnake was the favorite animal emblem of the Americans even before the Revolution. A patriot, Colonel Christopher Gadsden of South Carolina, had seen and liked a bright yellow banner with a hissing, coiled rattlesnake rising up in the center, and beneath the serpent the same words that appeared on the Striped Rattlesnake Flag - Don't Tread On Me. Colonel Gadsden made a copy of this flag and submitted the design to the Provincial Congress in South Carolina. Before the departure of that first mission in December 1775, the newly appointed commander-in-chief of the Navy, Commodore Esek Hopkins, received the yellow rattlesnake flag from Gadsden to serve as the distinctive personal standard of his flagship. It was displayed at the mainmast.

The 1775 flag of the Providence Train of Artillery's featured a coiled timber rattlesnake and the motto "Don't Tread on Me" along with an anchor, cannons and the motto "In God We Hope" on a

gold background. The flag presented to Hopkins as Commander of the Continental Navy is a simplified version of that design.

Although there have been several adaptations of the snake emblem, the Gadsden flag continues to be reintroduced as a symbol of defending freedom and the rule of law. Since 2009, the [Gadsden flags](#) have become associated with the American Tea Party Movement, as well as several other protest events. For historical reasons, the Gadsden is still popularly flown in Charleston, South Carolina, in tribute to the man who first presented the yellow snake flag.

What is the relevance of the Gadsden Flag today?

Over 250 years after its creation, the Gadsden Flag resonates because of its stark imagery and simple message. "Don't Tread On Me" with a rattlesnake poised to attack says all that needs to be said. It is not an aggressive posture, but rather a defensive one. It says to anyone who would tread on the liberties of free people to think twice. While free people are peaceful, their patience is not endless. It's a message that has lived on through the ages, and will continue to represent strength in the years to come.

In present day, the [Gadsden Flag](#) is iconic in its symbolism as a rallying cry for Libertarianism and individual liberty, as far as the modern mainstream political discourse will allow it to be.

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