

Kiwiana #2

For something to get the name Kiwiana it may have to meet the following things:

- ❖ Known by many people in New Zealand
- ❖ Been around for a long time.
- ❖ Hold a special memory or positive feel.
- ❖ Something that people think is important.
- ❖ Unique to New Zealand.

What icon from this list do you think is the best NZ icon? Why?

Buzzy Bee

Making a lot of noise as it is pulled around on a string, **this toy was popular in many homes**. There are many toys sold, so why did this bee become so popular? If you were a toy designer you would want toys to have features that help sell your item.



Black Singlet and Gumboots

The black singlet and gumboots are common to farmers in New Zealand. The black singlet is warm, covers up the sweat from hard, manual work and is sleeveless for freer movement. Gumboots are loved by all those who go in mud on the farm or puddles on the footpath! Black is a national colour for New Zealand and it comes up in a number of other areas such as the, “All Blacks”. Checkout the gumboot song at: <http://folksong.org.nz/gumboot/index.html>



Fish & Chips

Everywhere in New Zealand there are fish & chip shops. Other countries don't really have fish and chip shops like we do! They often come wrapped in last week's newspaper. It is quite common for a family to have fish & chips once every week.

Jandals

Jandals are made from rubber, they last for years and come in a lots of different colours . The word Jandal comes from, "Japanese sandal" and became part of Kiwiana in the 1950's. Other countries call these "flip-flops."

Paua

Also known as Abalone, Paua shell is used by Maori in carving and jewellery. Pretty purple, aqua, green and blue tones make it popular with jewellery artists and craftspeople. It is a shellfish that has a hard shell. The shell has a magical range of colours. It lives in



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rocky, coastal areas at depths between one and fifteen metres. Check out the paua house here:
http://www.nzcountry.co.nz/html/fred_and_myrtle.htm

The Pipi

Pipi's are shellfish. Pipi's are only found in New Zealand and New Zealanders eat a lot of them, especially Maori.

Weet-bix

Weet-Bix is a breakfast cereal that you can **only** get in New Zealand. Some other countries have similar cereals but they are not called Weet-Bix, and they are not as near as popular.



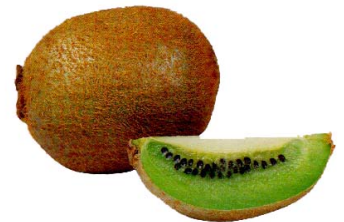
Pavlova

There is a disagreement between New Zealand and Australia about Pavlova. We say that a kiwi chef made it for a Russian ballerina named Anna Pavlova who was visiting New Zealand. Australian's say they created it. Either way, it's a special cake to New Zealand and Australia and you can't really get it anywhere else.

Kiwifruit

New Zealand brought this fruit from China where it was called the, "Chinese Gooseberry" but it wasn't very popular. Kiwi farmers started growing it and New Zealander's loved it. We now send kiwi fruit all around the world and people think of New Zealand when they eat it. Checkout:

<http://www.night.net/tucker/st-kiwi.html-ss>



Vegemite and marmite

Vegemite and marmite are both very salty! When you get people from other countries to try them, they often say how disgusting they are but lots of New Zealanders love them! After one of the big earthquakes in Christchurch the marmite factory shut down for a few months and supermarkets all over New Zealand ran out. This was named 'marmageddon' and people would spend lots of money on trademe for marmite. One jar went for \$60!

Meat Pie

Adapting meat-stew into a pastry-covered meal-on-the-run gave the Kiwi another fast food that is sold in the thousands each year. Every year a 'best pie in New Zealand' contest is held. Around New Zealand every year new flavours, with impossible ingredients are cooked up.. anything from possum meat to kangaroo meat can be used to create that 'unique' taste.

Kiwi

A kiwi is a rare flightless bird that only lives in New Zealand. A long time ago, New Zealand soldiers went to war and they used the Kiwi as their mascot. Other counties would call them the 'Kiwi's' and then over time, it became what everyone from New Zealand was called.



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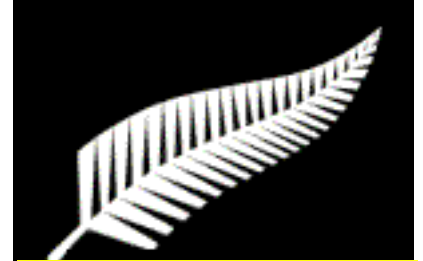
Silver Fern

The silver fern is the leaf of a tree fern (or ponga). It is unique because under the fern it is silver. The Silver Fern is used lots for both sport and nature in New Zealand.



Rugby

If the National Team of the “All Blacks” lose a game then some people seem to experience real deep disappointment. In a nation where sport has a high profile, the new professional era continues to raise new celebrities. The Silver fern symbol is used on team jerseys. Many New Zealander's have strong opinions about the game, even if the match was one played years ago or just recently.



Lemon & Paeroa

L & P stands for Lemon and Paeroa, New Zealand's most famous soft drink. It was invented in 1904 after its maker tasted some mineral water near the town of Paeroa, and mixed it with lemon to make a particularly refreshing drink. This drink is still popular throughout New Zealand today.



Sheep

From the country again, the sheep and the wool from its back have symbolised the rural nature of New Zealand. Some people in overseas countries think Aotearoa is all green grass when they learn that there are 50 million sheep and only 4.5 million people.

