The Flag of the United States of America

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The Flag of the United States of America (USA) is a national flag representing the freedom of the United States of America and the unity of the American people. The flag features 13 equal horizontal stripes of red (top and bottom) alternating with white, with 50 white stars representing the 50 states of the United States. The stripes and stars symbolize the original 13 British colonies that declared independence from Great Britain and became the first states to form the United States of America. The flag of the United States has evolved through 27 different iterations since its adoption in 1777, with each new iteration symbolizing a new state's entry into the union. The flag's design and symbolism have become integral to American identity and pride, making it one of the most recognizable symbols in the world.
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