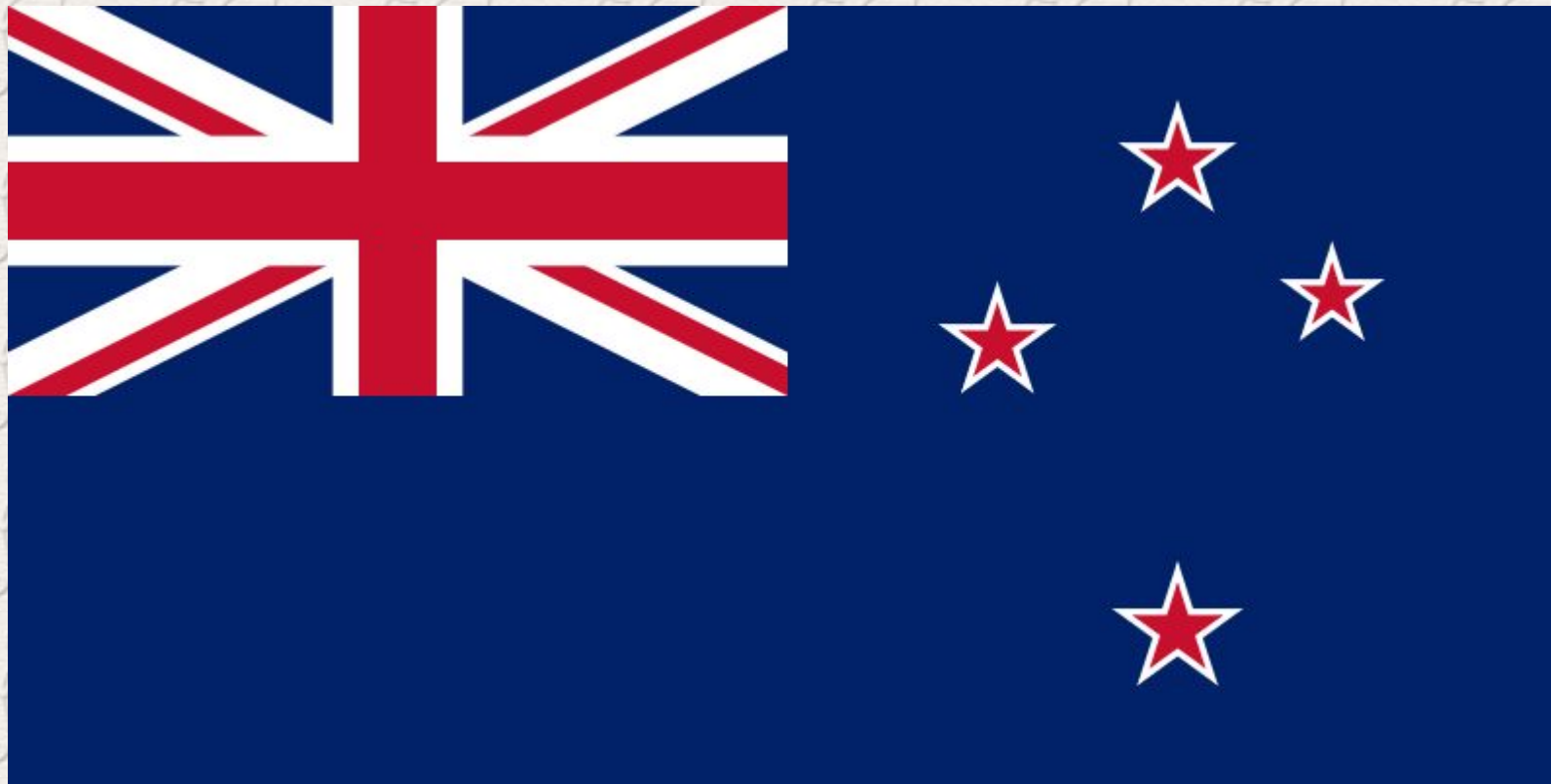


New Zealand



Two main islands



It is situated to the southeast of Australia in the Pacific Ocean. It consists of two main islands (North Island and South Island) and some smaller ones.

New Zealand is a multicultural country. In addition to whites (69% of the population), there are Maori (14.6%), Asians (9.2%) and peoples from other Pacific islands (6.9%). The Maori are the pioneers and indigenous people of New Zealand.



English, Maori and New Zealand Sign Language are the official languages of the country. English is the main language of communication, and 96% of the country's population use it as such.



ENGLISH

National Holiday	Date
New Years celebration	1 - 2 January
Waitangi Day	6 February
Good Friday	last Friday before Easter Sunday
Easter Sunday	according to the church calendar
Bright Week Monday	the first Monday after Easter Sunday
ANZAC Day	25 April
Labor Day	4th Monday in October
Christmas	December 25
Boxing Day	26 December

Since New Zealand is a unitary state, many holidays are borrowed from the UK

Among the most popular dishes are still fish and french fries, Pavlova's cake, as well as a peculiar and common meat pie, mainly in Australia and New Zealand.

