

## The Uruguayan Flag

1. You will need a printer, some thicker paper, a thin stick, and a stapler or some glue.
2. Print your flag, cut out along the black lines and fold along the dotted line.
3. Insert your stick into the fold.
4. Staple or glue your stick into place.





**The current flag of Uruguay was officially adopted on July 11, 1830. The Sun of May has been used as a national symbol since the 19th century. El Sol De Mayo has sixteen rays, alternating from straight to wavy (this symbolizes Uruguay's independence), while the white and blue stripes indicate her former association with Argentina. The blue and white colors are modeled after the flag of Argentina, and the nine stripes represent the nine departments within the country.**

**Uruguay's original emblem was the flag of Jose Artigas, the national hero who first tried in the early 19th century to free the country from the Spanish rule. This flag was a blue, white and blue tri-band with a red diagonal running from the top hoist to foot of fly.**

