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The types of Pride Flag and what do they mean?

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The Gilbert Baker Pride Flag 1978



The original Pride flag. Inspired by Judy Garland's "Over the Rainbow," these colours flew at the San Francisco Gay Freedom Day Parade Celebration on June 25, 1978 and each colour has their own meaning.

Traditional Gay Pride Flag 1979



Numerous complications over having an odd-number of colours led to turquoise being dropped alongside pink. There were reports that odd numbered colours were difficult to hang from street lights.

Philadelphia People Of Colour Inclusive Flag



Black and Brown were added to represent the queer people of colour who are often not fully included in the LGBT community

What comes next? Progress Pride Flag

White, pink, and light blue reflect the colours of the transgender flag



The brown and black stripes represent people of colour and those lost to AIDS.

This new flag seeks to take Philadelphia's inclusive approach a step further. "When the Pride flag was recreated in the last year to include both black/brown stripes as well as the trans stripes included this year, I wanted to see if there could be more emphasis in the design of the flag to give it more meaning," Quasar explained on his Kickstarter.

Types of Pride Flags and what they mean

Bisexual Flag, 1998



40% magenta represents same-sex attraction

40% royal blue representing heterosexual attraction

20% lavender, a mixture of both the magenta and blue, represents attraction to both sexes.

Pansexual Pride Flag, 2010



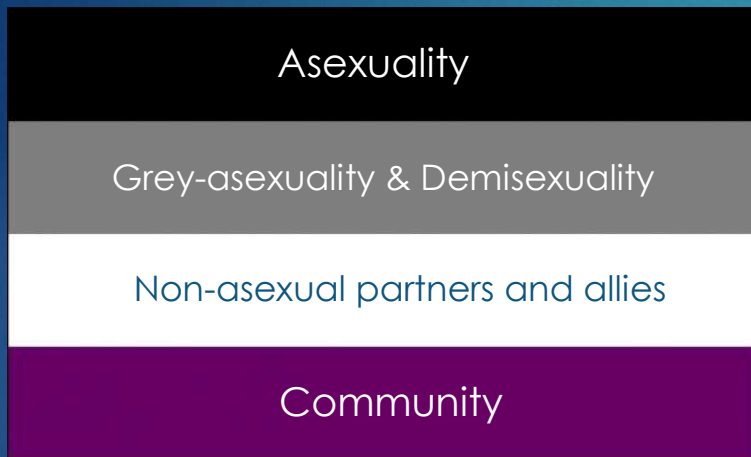
Pink stereotypically represents women

Yellow is non-binary & gender-nonconforming people

Blue stereotypically represents men

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Asexual Flag, 2010



Transgender Flag, 1999



White for those who are transitioning. Who feel they have a neutral gender or no gender, and those who are intersexed.

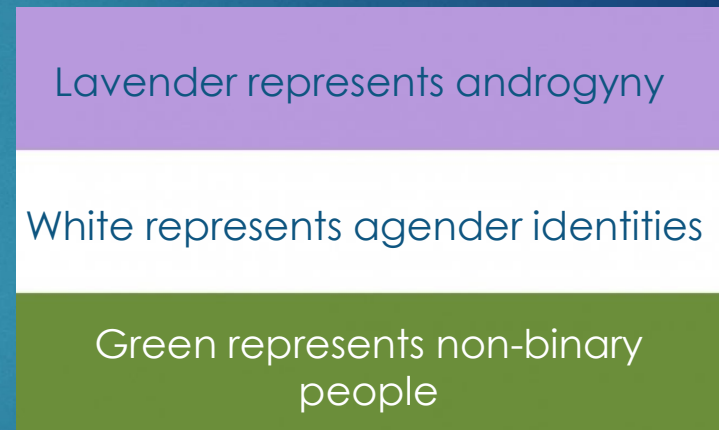
The pattern is such that no matter which way you fly it, it will always be correct. This symbolizes transgender people trying to find correctness in their own lives.

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Genderfluid/Genderflexible Flag, 2012



Genderqueer/Nonbinary Flag, 2011



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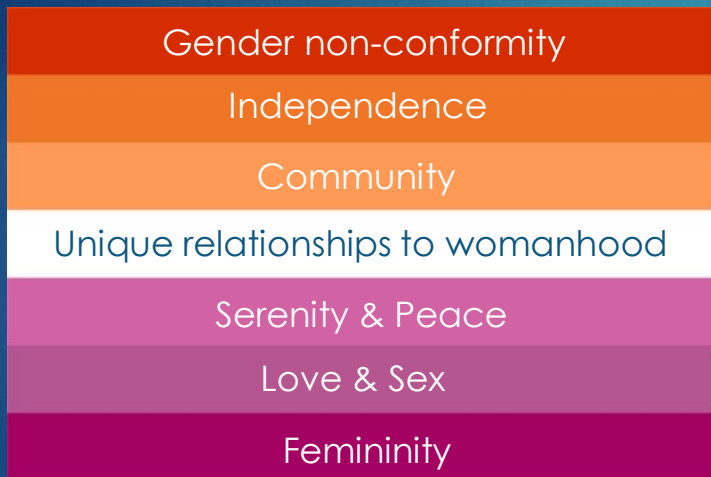
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Lesbian Pride Flag, 2018



Straight Ally Flag, c.2009



Black and White Bars:
Represents heterosexual and/or cisgender people

“A”: Represents allies, as “a” is the first letter of the word and the rainbow colours represents the LGBTQA+ community.

