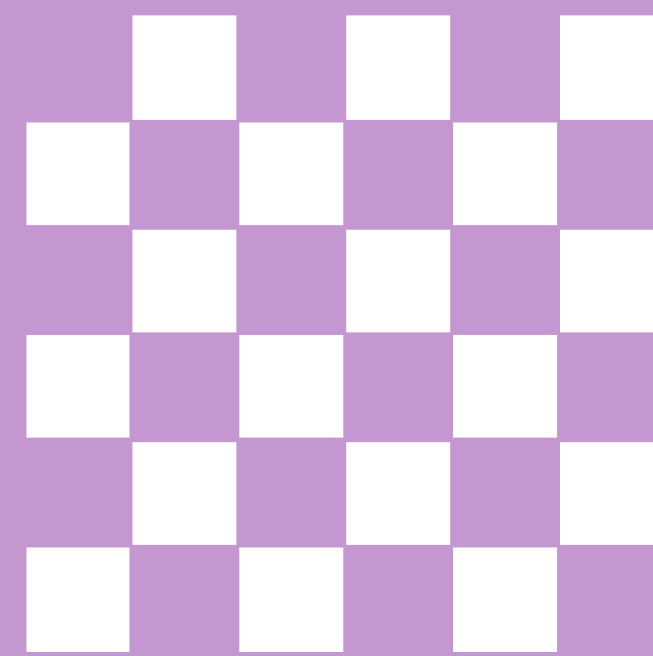
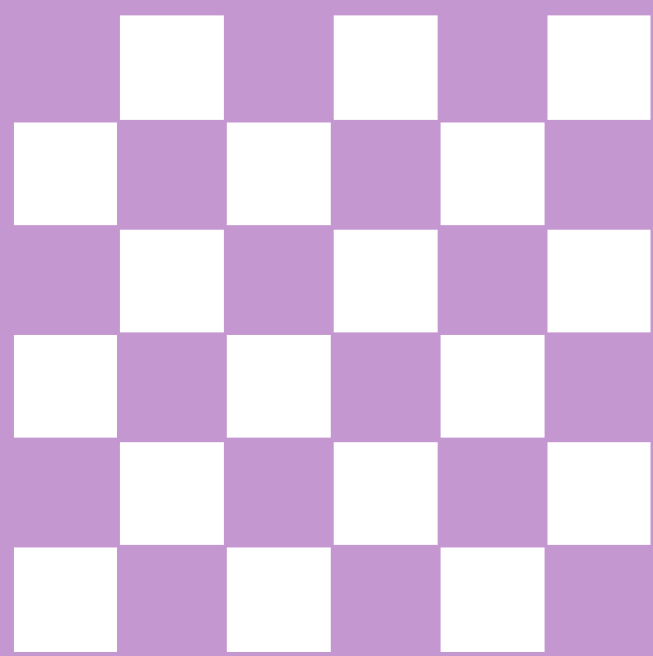
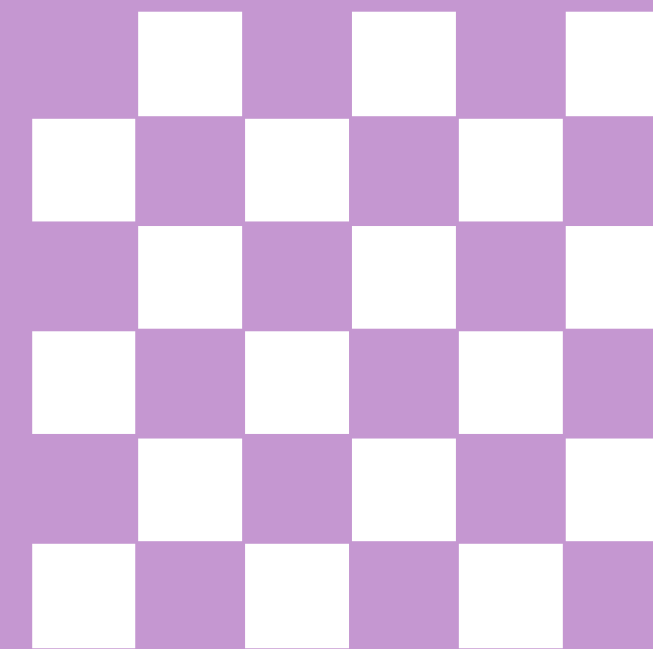
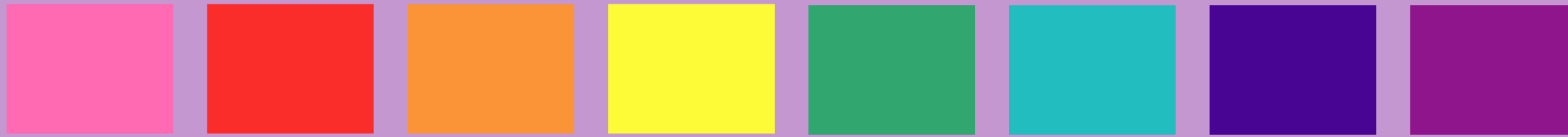


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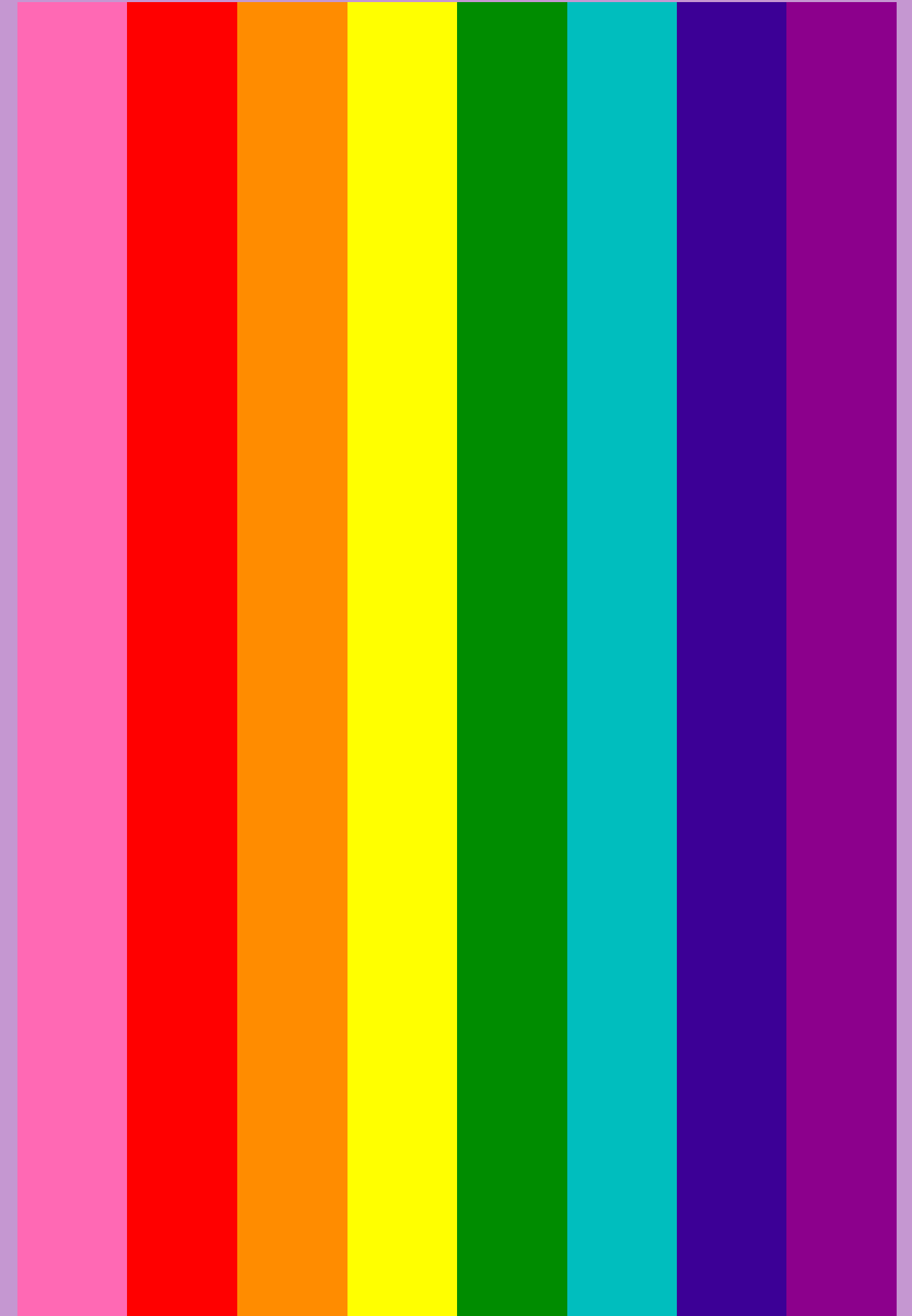


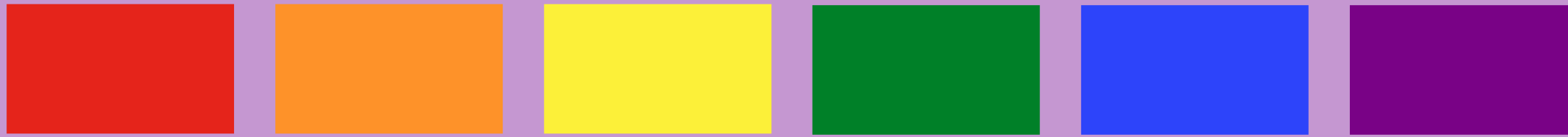
ORIGINAL PRIDE FLAG

Date: 1978

Creator: Gilbert Baker

It was created for San Francisco's annual pride parade. Harvey Milk asked Baker to create a symbol for gay pride. It has 8 colors: pink for sex, red for life, orange for healing, yellow for sunlight, green for nature, turquoise for art, blue for harmony and peace, and violet for spirit.



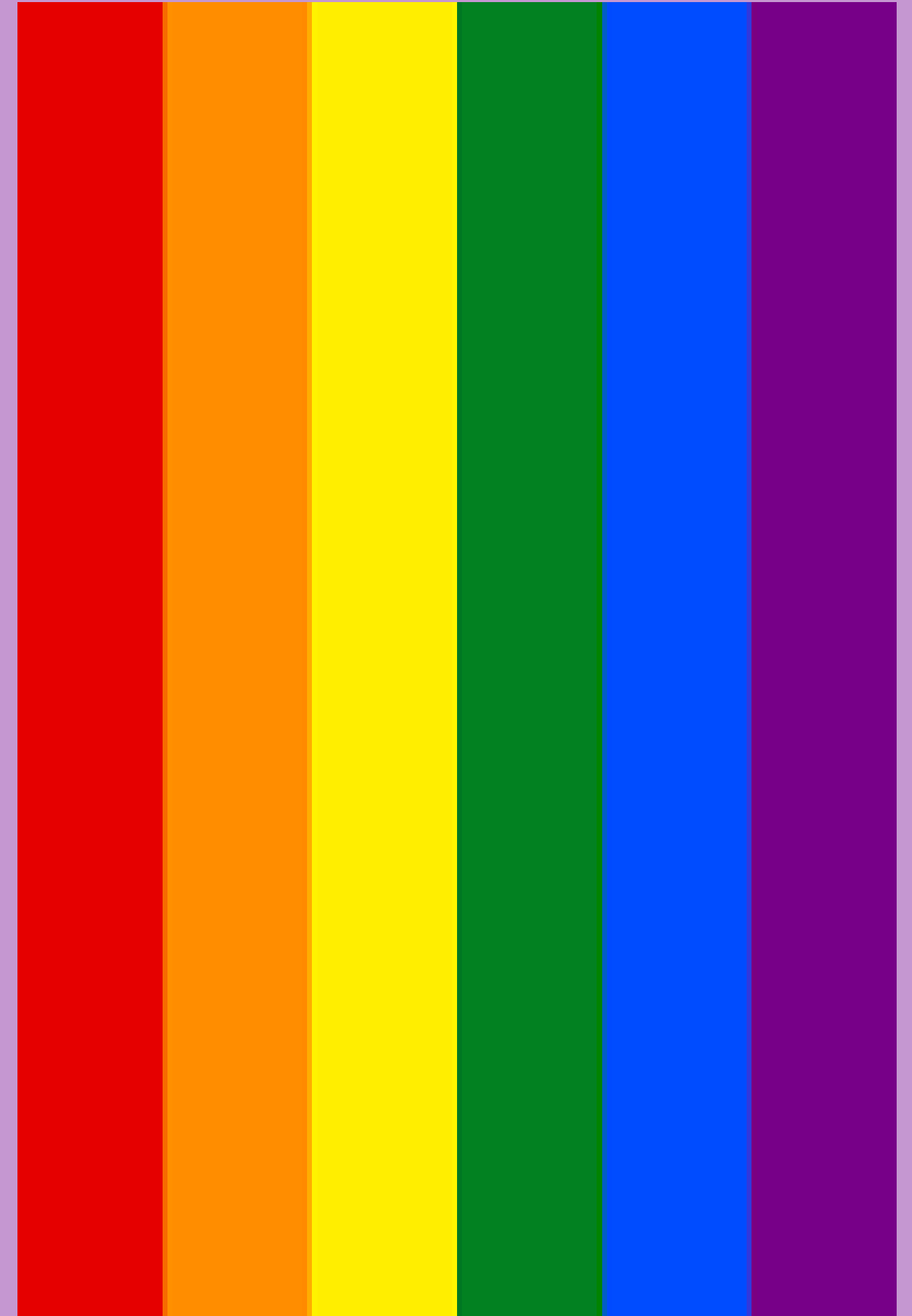


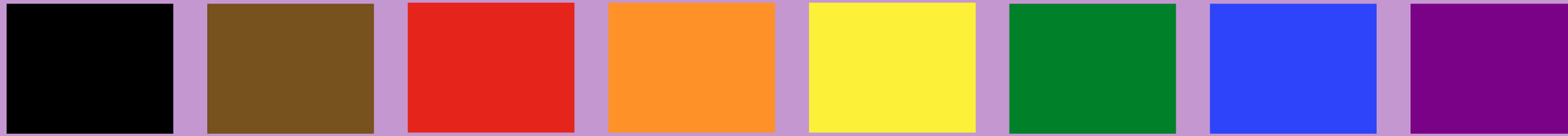
RAINBOW FLAG

Date: 1978

Creator: Gilbert Baker

After the assassination of Harvey Milk, the rainbow flag was in high demand. Due to manufacturing issues, the hot pink stripe was removed. The turquoise stripe was removed from the flag as a design choice from Baker. The six color pride flag has represented the community for over 40 years and is still one of the most common LGBTQ+ flags.



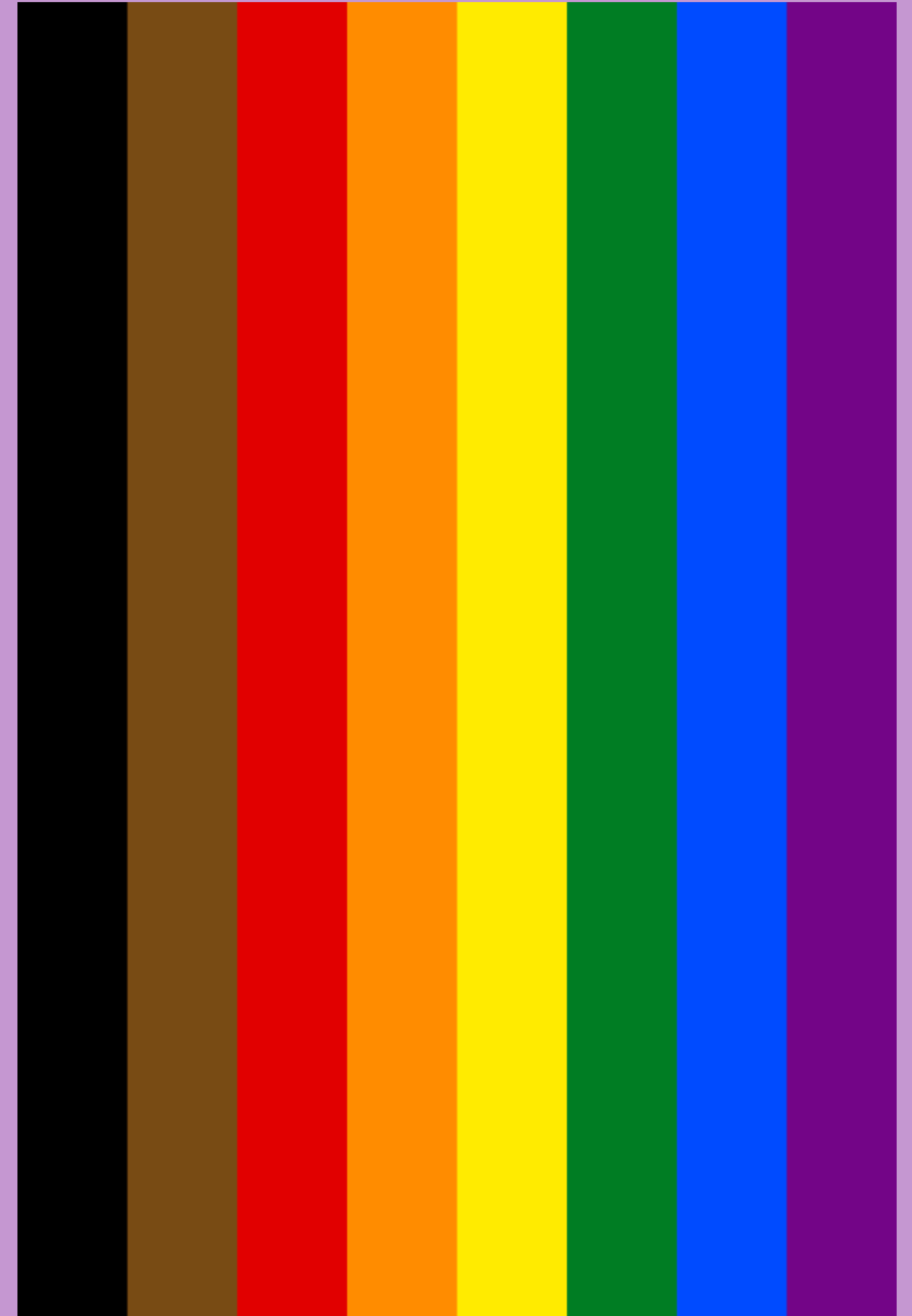


PHILADELPHIA PRIDE FLAG

Date: 2017

Creator: Philadelphia's Office of LGBT Affairs & Tierney Design Agency

The Philadelphia City Council commissioned the creation of this flag as they wanted to incorporate queer communities of color that have often been overlooked in the mainstream LGBTQ+ movement. The addition of the black and brown stripes symbolize communities of color and their contribution to the movement.



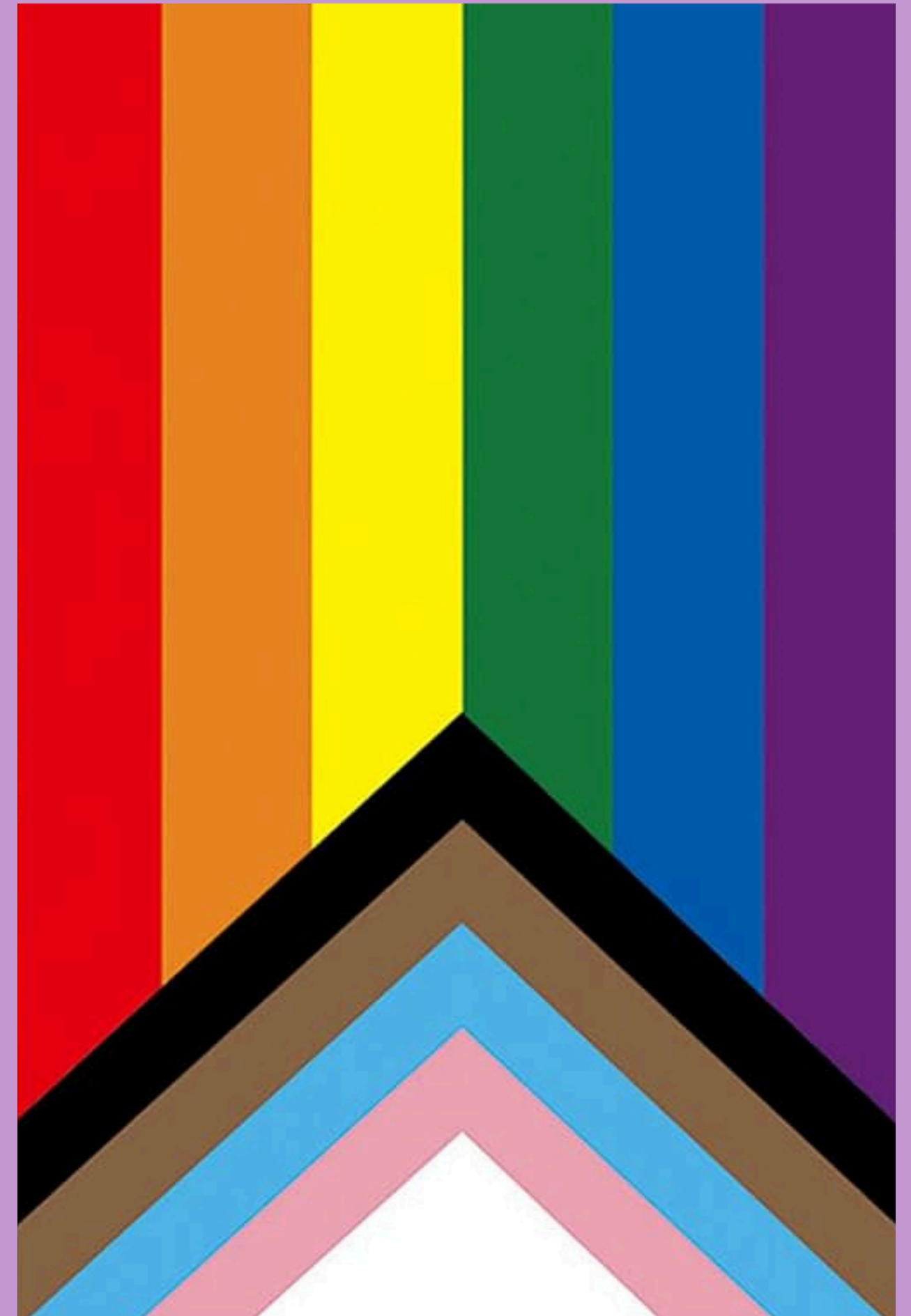


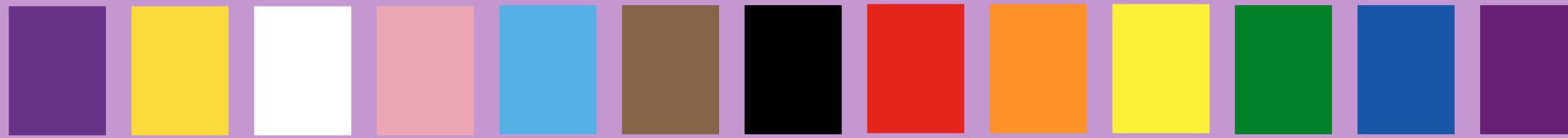
PROGRESS FLAG

Date: 2018

Creator: Daniel Quasar

The Progress Pride Flag evolved from the Philadelphia Pride Flag. It adds a white, pink, and light blue stripe to represent the Trans community. While the black and brown stripes still represented communities of color, the black stripe is also a nod to the thousands of individuals that the community lost during the HIV/AIDS crisis in 1980s and 1990s.





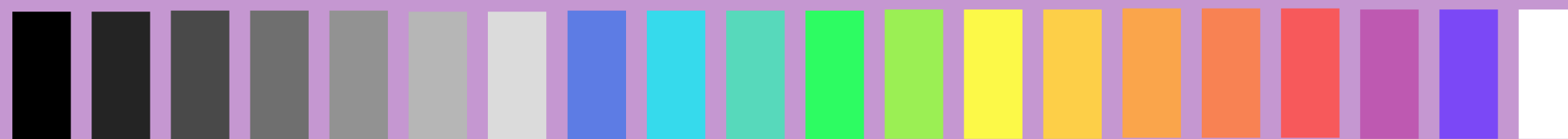
INCLUSIVE FLAG

Date: 2021

Creator: Valentino Vecchietti

The shape of the arrow containing the trans colors, the intersex flag, and the black and brown colors represent progress being made and progress to be done—as opposed to the rest of the rainbow’s colors, which span the entire flag. The flag itself shares its colors’ meanings with its constituent flags.



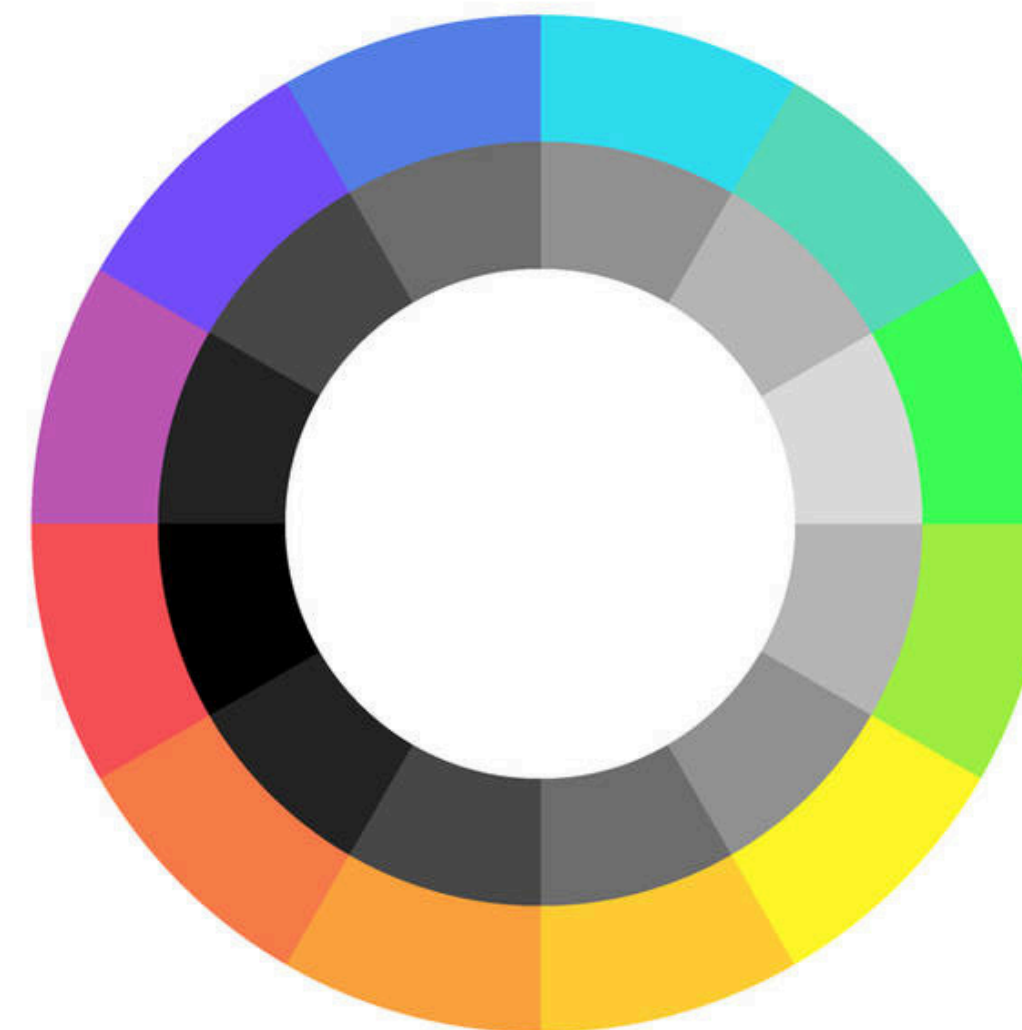


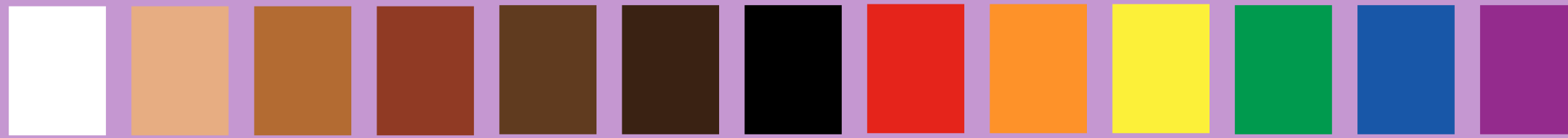
MOGAI (MARGINALIZED ORIENTATIONS, GENDERS, AND INTERSEX) FLAG

Date: 2015

Creator: @fancyblogurl on Tumblr

Due to the original Tumblr post being deleted and not archived in time, the exact meanings behind the flag's design are unknown.





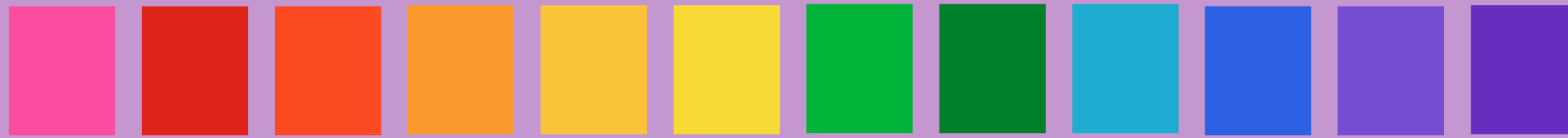
QUEER PEOPLE OF COLOR FLAG

Date: 2019

Creator: Unknown

The Queer People of Color Flag appeared at San Francisco Pride in 2019, but rose to prominence in 2020 during the Black Lives Matter Protests. The flag signifies how the struggle for racial equality and queer equality often intersect. It also honors the number of QPOC that have spent their lives fighting for both queer and racial equity.





PRIDE OF AFRICA FLAG

Date: 2019

Creator: Pride of Africa Foundation

The flag debuted at Johannesburg Pride. This is the first pan-African LGBTQ+ flag. It is inspired by the flags of all the countries in Africa.





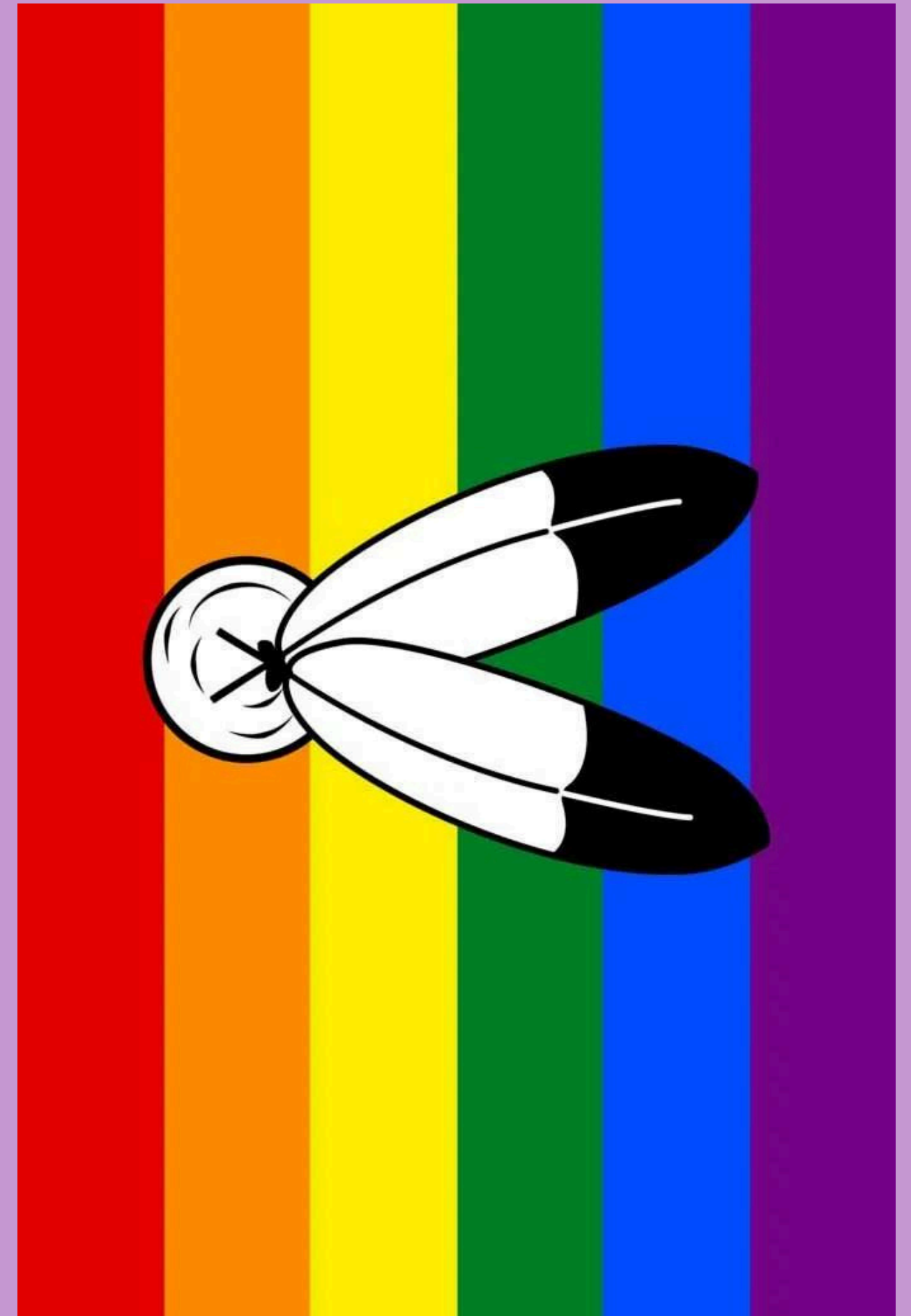
TWO SPIRIT FLAG

Date: 2016

Creator: @2Sanon on Tumblr

The two feathers at the center represent masculine and feminine identities, and the circle to which the feathers are attached represent the unification of masculinity and femininity into a separate, unique gender. Its placement in front of the rainbow flag signifies explicit inclusion of two-spirit experiences in the 2SLGBTQIA+ community.

Definition: Two Spirit refers to a number of precolonial indigenous understandings of gender and/or sexuality. These identities were often spiritually and culturally connected to tribal identities.





MĀHŪ FLAG

Date: 2016

Creator: Anonymous Māhū identified submission to @ask-pride-color-schemes on Tumblr

For the flag, the plant is meant to be what is known in Native Hawaiian as pamakani mahu. The colors from the background come from the Kanaka Maoli, which is a flag that was made to represent Native Hawaiians.

Definition: Māhū is a Native Hawaiian and Tahitian gender identity and/or sexuality that is precolonial. The term refers to those that embody both male and female spirit and traits. They were spiritual and cultural leaders and teachers historically.





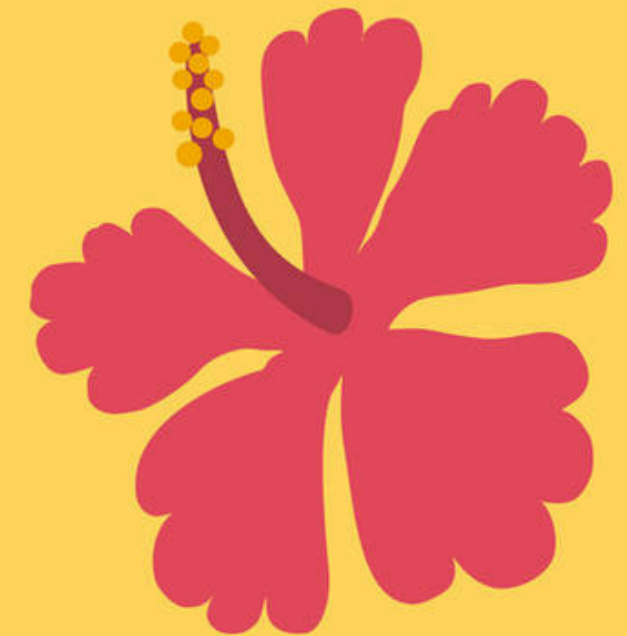
FA'AFAFINE FLAG

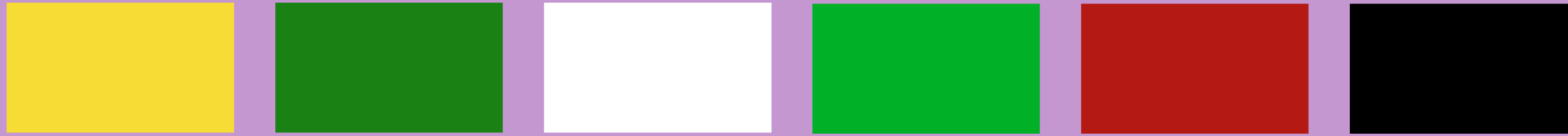
Date: 2016

Creator: Anonymous Fa'afafine identified submission to @ask-pride-color-schemes on Tumblr

The three bars, dark red then yellow then dark red, and the hibiscus in the middle, are all inspired from the logo of Society of Fa'afafine in American Samoa. Hibiscus is traditional associated with tropical islands like the Samoas, and pink ones in particular with femininity and fa'afafines.

Definition: Fa'afafine is one precolonial gender identity and/or sexuality from Samoa. It is a fluid gender role that moves between male and female worlds. They are often caretakers and teachers in Samoan culture.





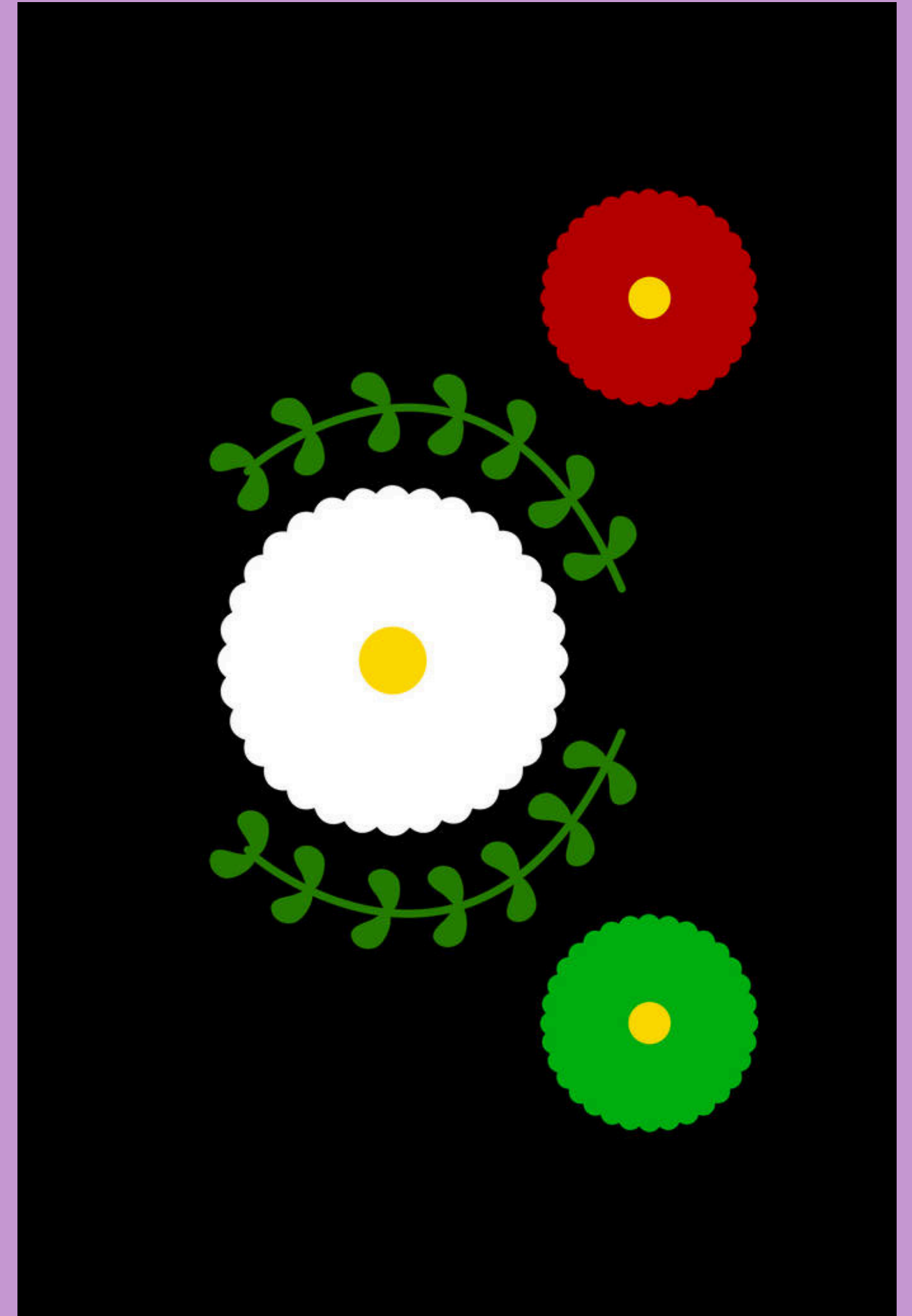
MUXE FLAG

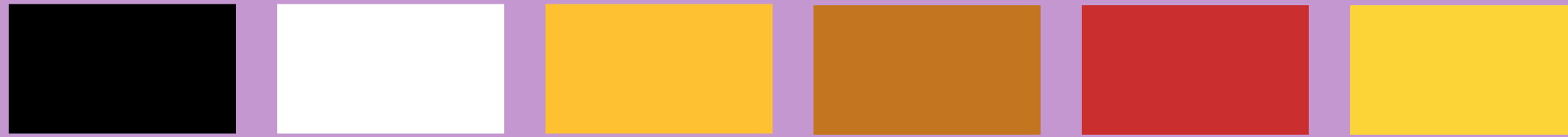
Date: 2016

Creator: Anonymous Muxe identified submission to @ask-pride-color-schemes on Tumblr

The flag is based off of traditional Zapotec Mexican dresses. The black background represents the deep jungles of Mexico, the flowers were made to look like what you would see on many traditional dresses. And the colors of the flowers are meant to represent the same colors as those on the Mexican flag.

Definition: Muxe is a precolonial gender identity and/or sexuality among the Zapotec people of what is modern Mexico. Muxe were historically respected as bridges between male and female work. Traditionally, they are considered to bring good luck to their communities.





QUARIWARMI FLAG

Date: 2017

Creator: Anonymous Quariwarmi identified submission to @ask-pride-color-schemes on Tumblr

The choice of colors for the bars come from the colors traditionally used for depictions of Inti, a very important deity to Native Peruvians. The jaguar comes from the Golden Jaguar that quariwarmi historically performed rituals to.

Definition: Quariwarmi refers to a shamanic gender identity and/or sexuality that is procolonial Inca Peruvian. The term is translated as men-women, and they often held mixed-gender roles.





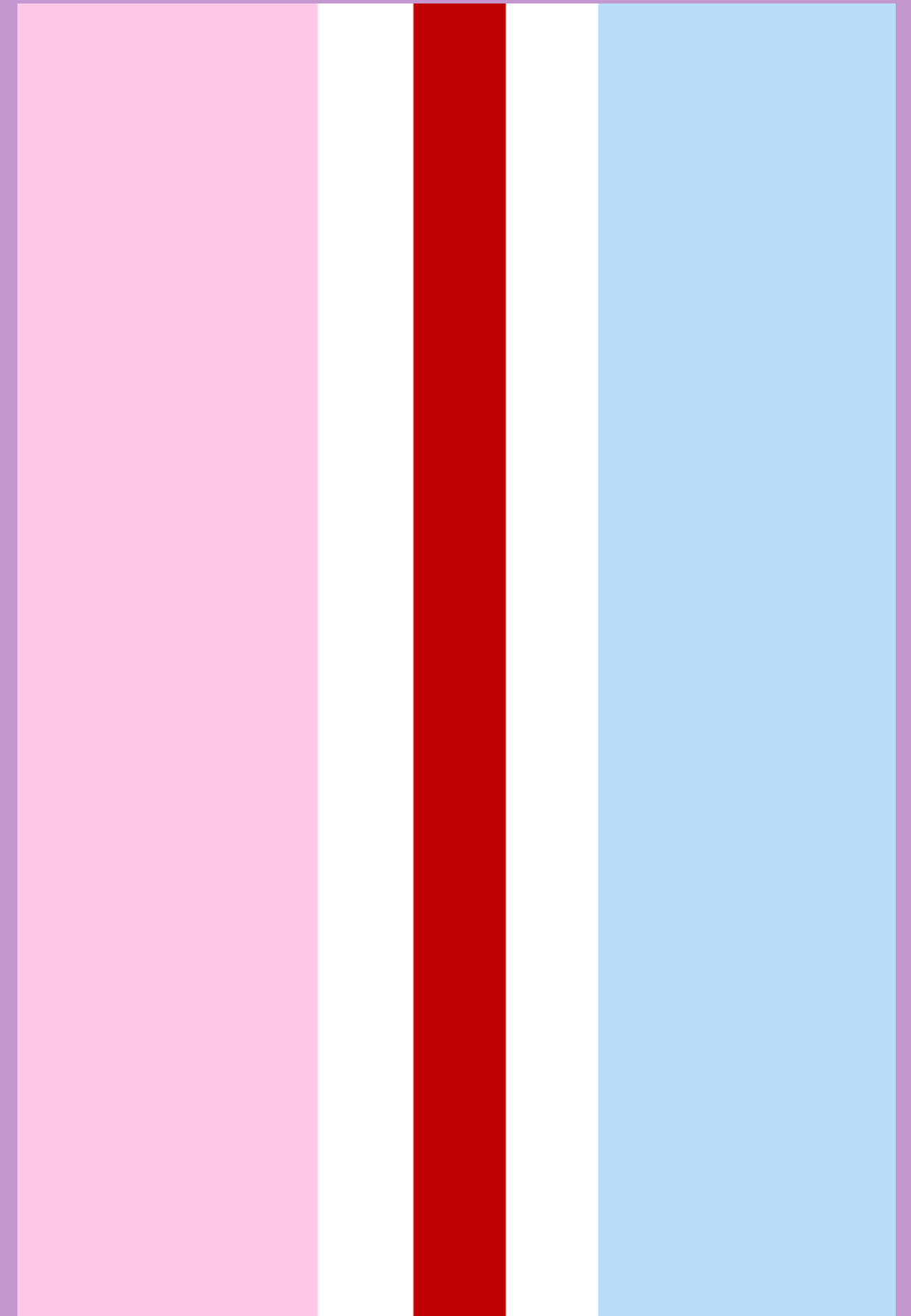
HIJRA FLAG

Date: 2018

Creator: @divinehijra on Tumblr

The flag was created to represent the Hijra gender traditionally in south & south-east Asia, the symbolism is described as “pink and blue are for those who identify with binary genders as trans people, while the white is for those of us who are nonbinary, the red represents the divinity we were blessed with by Rama.”

Definition: Hijra is a South Asian gender identity and/or sexuality that is most often interpreted as a third gender with origins predating Abrahamic religion and precolonial. It is an umbrella term, however, that covers a large range of experiences and geographies. They have historically been sought after for blessings of fertility and prosperity. Many are closely tied to Hindu and Islamic religious practices, though not all.





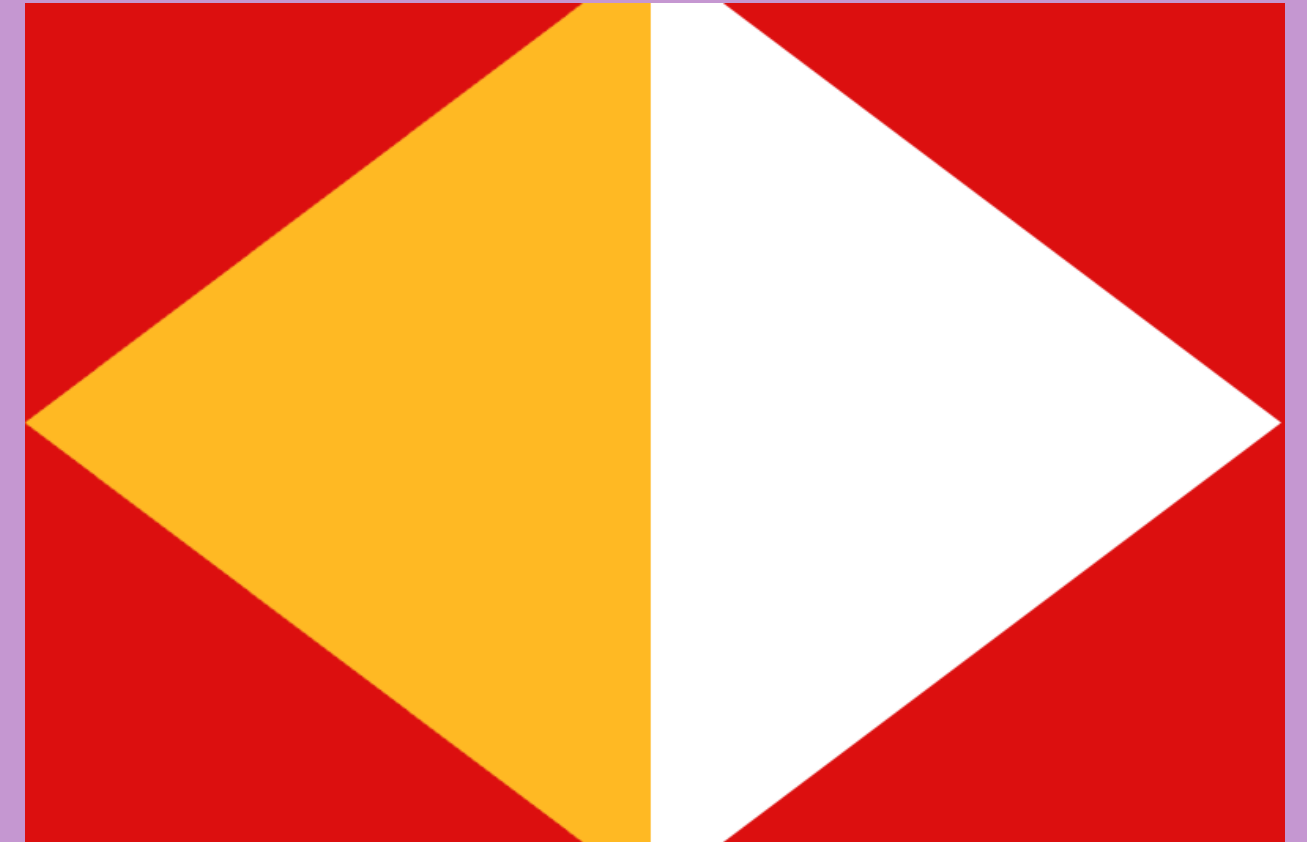
BISSU FLAG

Date: 2016

Creator: Anonymous Bissu identified submission to @ask-pride-color-schemes on Tumblr

The red is significant in Bugis and Indonesian culture, symbolizing joy and good luck. Yellow is often associated with women, and white with men, hence the colors of the rhombus.

Definition: Bissu is an Indonesian, more specifically Bugis culture in Sulawesi, gender identity and/or sexuality that embodies all genders. Historically, they were considered sacred. They often perform several rituals during important cultural ceremonies.



WARIA FLAG

Date: 2021

Creator: @WiiFyneLM on LGBTQIA+ Wiki

The red stripe represents blood and courage. The black stripe represents the lives unfairly lost. The pink represents femininity. The gold represents the preciousness of warias to Indonesia. The brown stripe represents the history of warias in Indonesia. The white stripe represents purity and spirit. The red and white stripes, as well as their meanings, were inspired by the Indonesian flag.

Definition: Waria is an Indonesian identity that is diverse and broad. It can be a gender identity and/or sexuality, and historically held respected traditional roles.





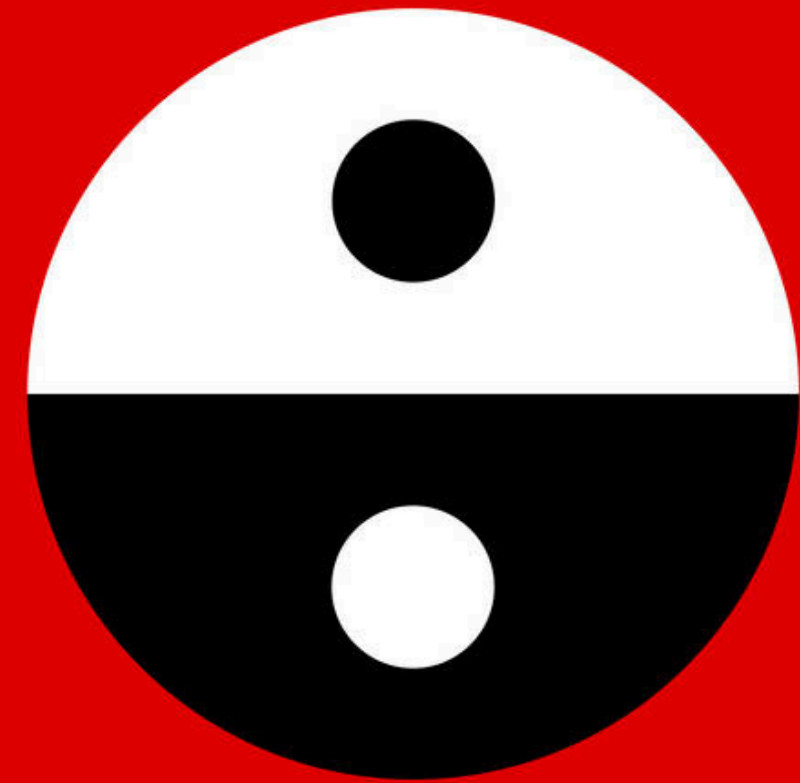
YINYANG REN FLAG

Date: 2017

Creator: Anonymous Yinyang ren identified submission to @ask-pride-color-schemes on Tumblr

The concept is that a person has a balanced amount of yin energy (femininity) and yang energy (masculinity), which makes them a very balanced person. This is reflected in the flag, where the circle is meant to be a perfect symmetry version of the traditional yinyang symbol from Taoism. The red background comes from a novel known as “The Dream of the Red Chamber,” which is an important novel in China whose protagonist is a yinyang ren.

Definition: Yinyang Ren (traditional Chinese 陰陽人, simplified Chinese 阴阳人, Pinyin yīnyáng rén) is a gender identity and role in Chinese culture, referring to those who have both masculine and feminine qualities.





SEKHET FLAG

Date: 2017, 2019

Original: Anonymous user on Tumblr

Redesign: @aaruslobby on Tumblr

Orange is the color of the reeds in Aaru, resembling freedom, sentimentality and sincerity. Gold represents unity, love, and the embracing warmth of the sun. White represents purity, indefinability. Lapis lazuli represent the Netjeru and the connection to them, divinity, and spirituality. Blue represents the primordial waters of Nu and the fluidity of its' nature, and the mysterious infinity that which all is created from. It is larger than the other stripes to symbolize the eternal expanse of the water.

Definition: Sekhet is a 2000–1800 BCE originated Egyptian gender identity and/or sexuality. It was a respected and sacred identity, connected to ritual and spirituality.





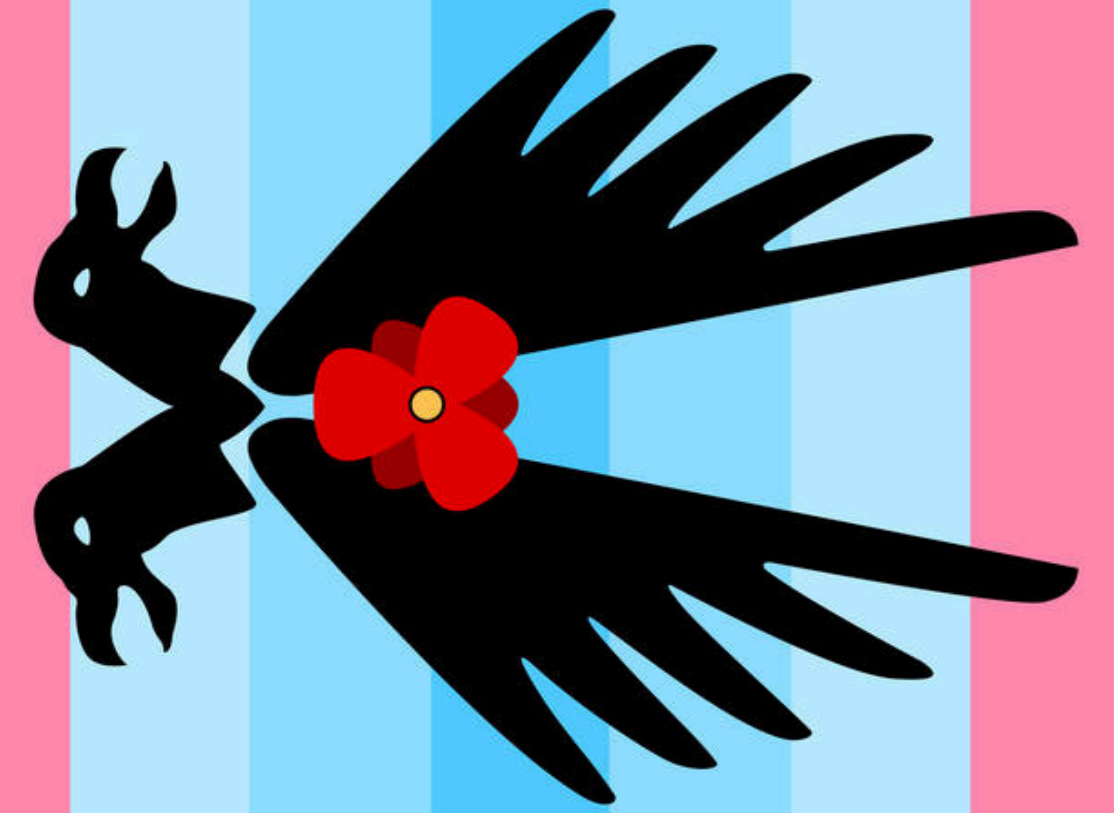
BALKAN SWORN VIRGINS OR BURRNESHA FLAG

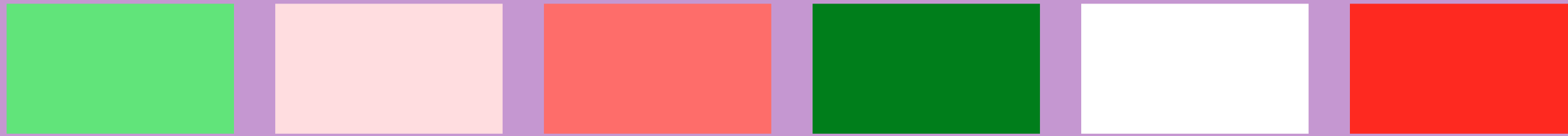
Date: 2017

Creator: Anonymous Burrnesha identified submission to @ask-pride-color-schemes on Tumblr

The background is the trans man flag, since it is felt that burrnesha has become an identity similar. The two head black eagle is a symbol found throughout the Balkan countries. The flower is a red poppy, a national flower of Albania and associated with Balkans. It is a symbol of blooming into self, while the eagle is meant to be pride in continuing an ancient tradition.

Definition: Burrnesha is an Albanian and Balkan gender identity and/or sexuality that originates in the Ottoman era. They are typically born female, and then swear an oath to adopt male societal roles and practice celibacy. They often use masculine names and pronouns.





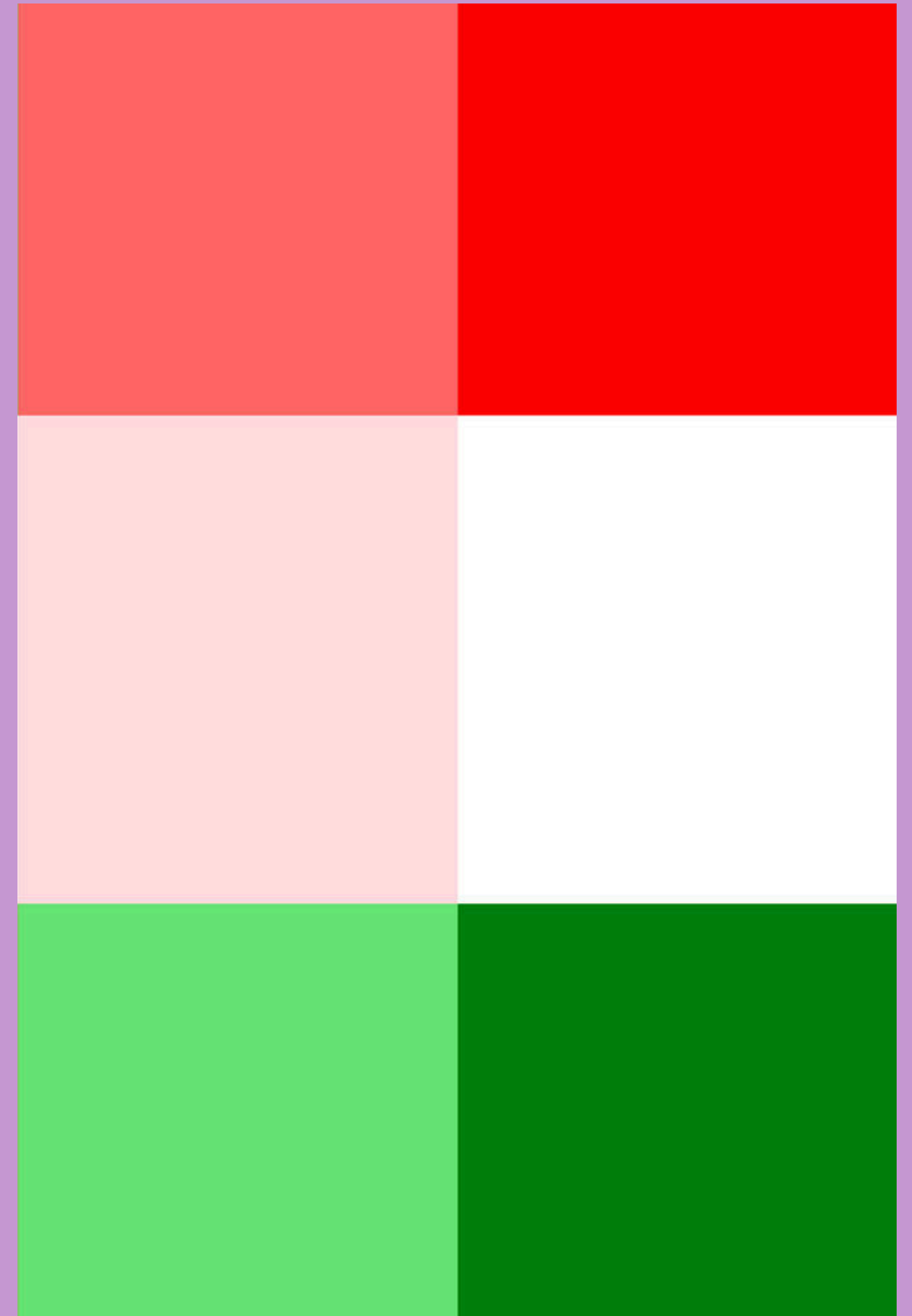
FEMMINIELLO FLAG

Date: 2020

Creator: Anonymous Femminiello identified submission to @ask-pride-color-schemes on Tumblr

It is the Italian flag, with the top half more pastel (with the white in the middle being more pink). Pastel and pink are usually related to femininity.

Definition: Femminiello is a traditional Neapolitan cultural gender identity and/or sexuality. They are traditionally believed to bring good luck. They are often linked to Greek mythological tradition, and are considered to be wise due to their connection to both masculine and feminine worlds.





COLORADO PRIDE FLAG

Date: Unknown

Creator: Unknown

The Colorado Pride Flag combines the original Colorado state flag with the rainbow stripes from the LGBTQA+ pride flag. Blue represents the sky. White represents the snow-capped mountains. The C is for Colorado. The yellow represents the sunshine Colorado gets.





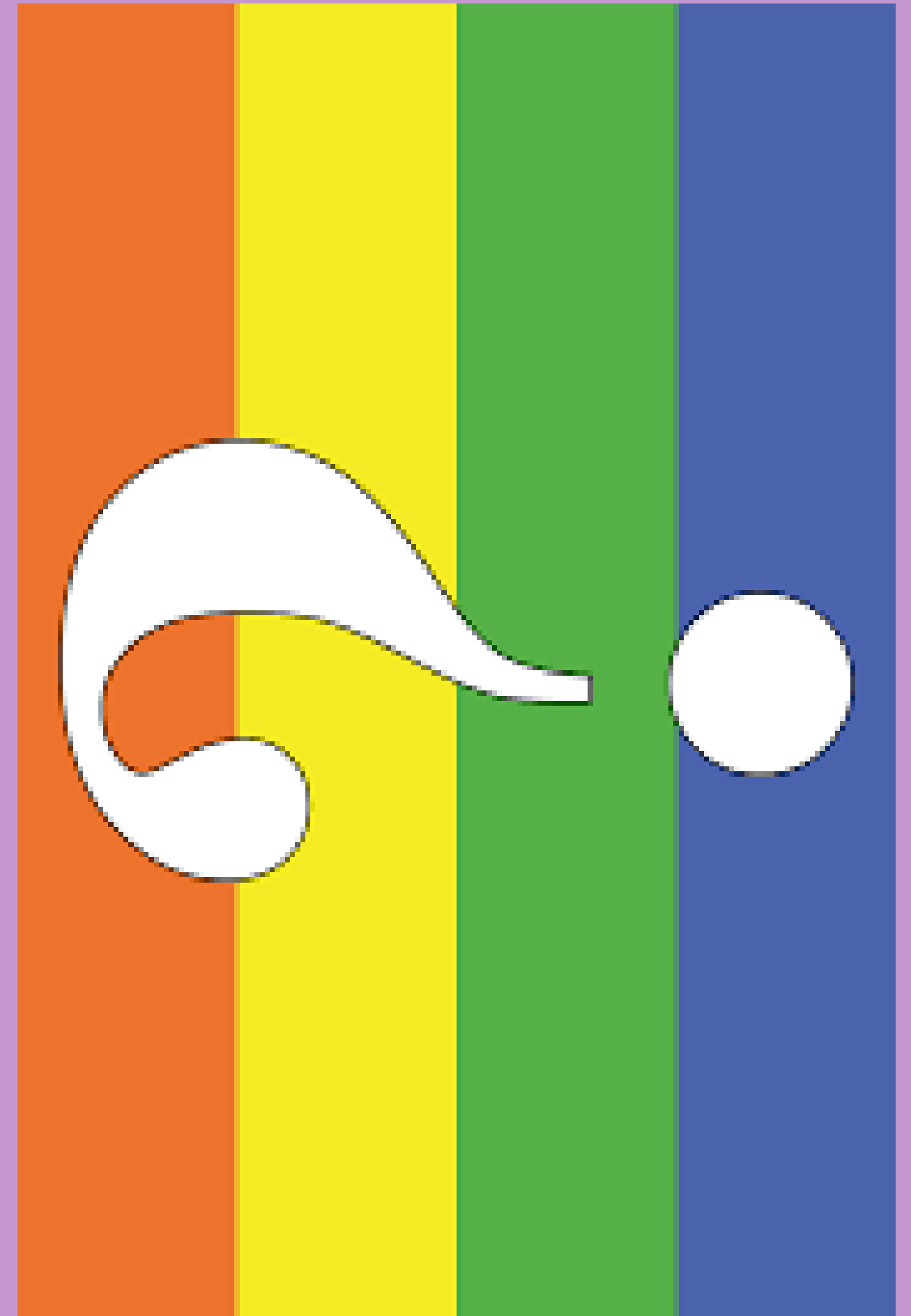
QUESTIONING FLAG

Date: 2017

Creator: Unknown

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Definition: Questioning is an identity that refers to either gender identity or sexuality, or both. It is simply the process of having questions or uncertainty around how you identify. This may be a temporary label for those using it, or a more long-term label.





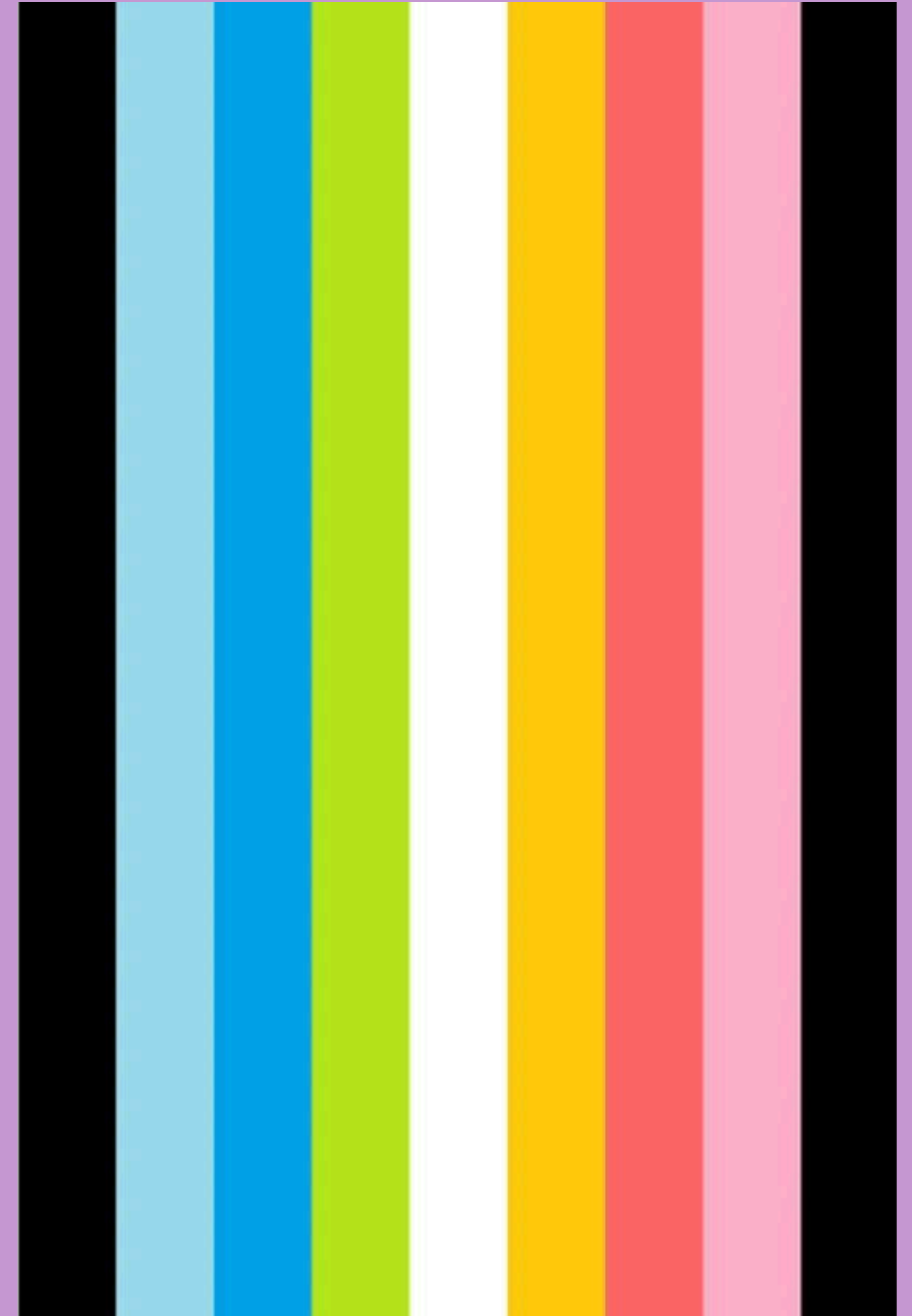
QUEER FLAG

Date: 2015

Creator: Unknown

The flag represents all aspects of queerness as the label 'queer' has become more celebrated. The pink and blue shades represented same-gender attraction while the orange and green stripes stand for non-binary and gender non-confirming individuals. The black and white stripes symbolize asexual, aromantic, and the agender community.

Definition: Queer can refer to sexuality or gender identity, or both, depending on the intention of the person using the label. Typically queer is understood as a catch-all term for noncisgender and nonheterosexual identity. It is also often used to intentionally complicate identities. It is also a reclaimed slur, so not all people are comfortable with the term.



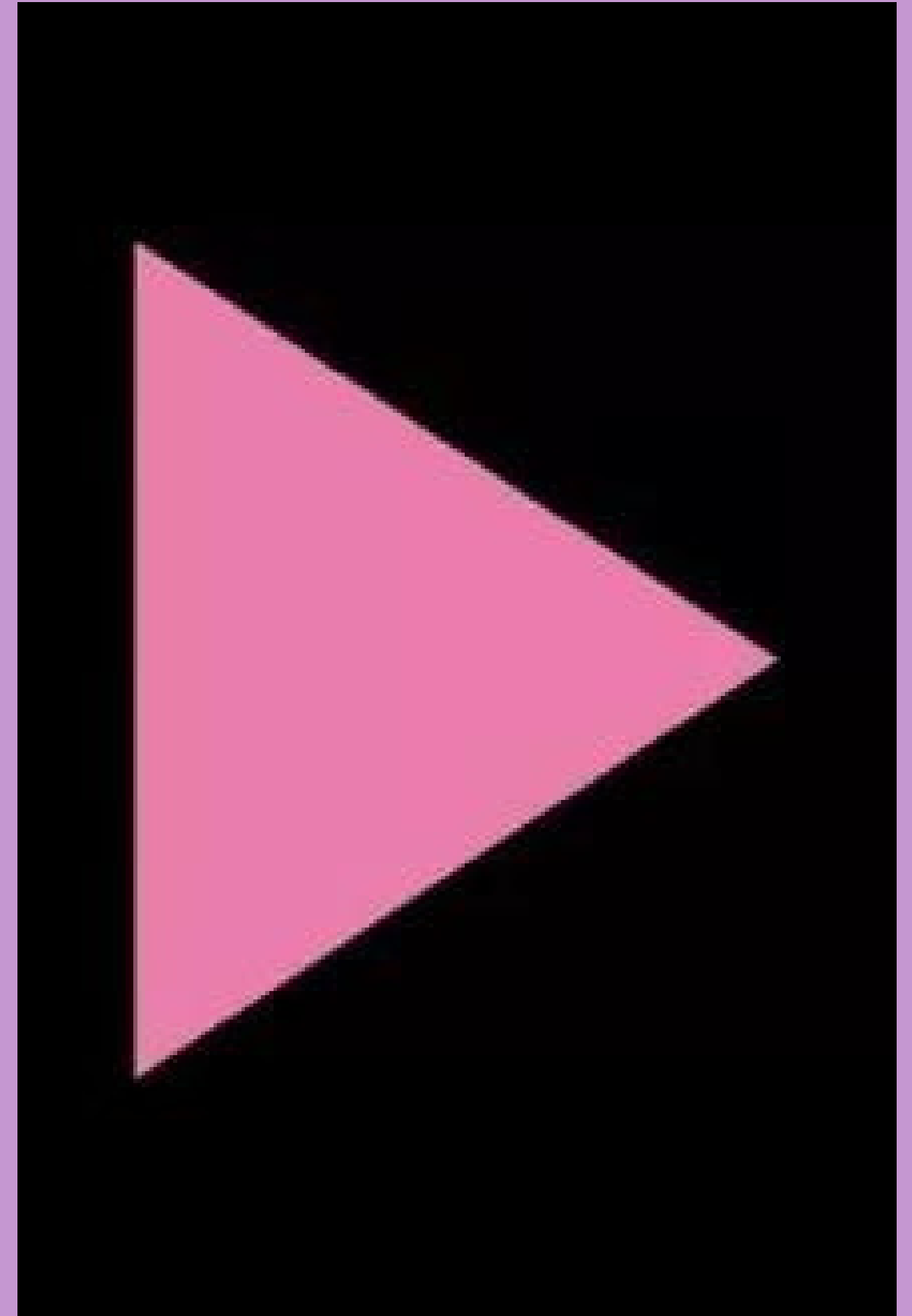


PINK TRIANGLE FLAG

Date: 1986

Creator: ACT UP

The pink triangle was used as a uniform marker for people labeled as homosexuals in Nazi concentration camps. It was reclaimed by a post-war German gay rights organization as a symbol of liberation in 1973. This inspired the creation of the organizational symbol for ACT UP in 1986, which included a pink upwards triangle and the words "SILENCE=DEATH" to call attention to the AIDS crisis.



INTERSEX FLAG

Date: 2013

Creator: Morgan Carpenter

The colors of the intersex flag were carefully chosen to prevent any allusion to gender—the yellow and purple colors are genderless. The main idea behind the flag lies in the circle, which represents wholeness and completeness, as a symbol of celebration and a voice to protest the way contemporary medical systems have treated intersex individuals.

Definition: Intersex is a term that describes people whose biological sex does not hormonally, physiologically, and/or chromosomally align with what we define as male or female. This does not refer to a gender identity or sexuality. Those born biologically male or female are referred to as perisex.





TRANS INTERSEX FLAG

Date: 2017

Creator: Jesse Bananasaurus on Facebook

The transgender pride flag has been inserted within the circle of the intersex pride flag to signify the inner identities of intersex people who do not identify with the gender their doctors and/or parents assigned them at birth.





TRANSGENDER FLAG

Date: 1999

Creator: Monica Helms

The light blue represents the traditional Western color for boys, and the light pink represents the traditional Western color for girls. The white in the center represents all those who are in the process of transitioning, see themselves as having a neutral, undefined, or non-binary gender, or are intersex.

Definition: Transgender is an umbrella category that refers to those whose gender identity and biological sex at birth do not align in the way that is culturally expected (i.e. male men, female women). This includes those born female who identify as men – transgender men, those born male who identify as women – transgender women, and also often those who identify as nonbinary and other marginalized genders.





NONBINARY FLAG

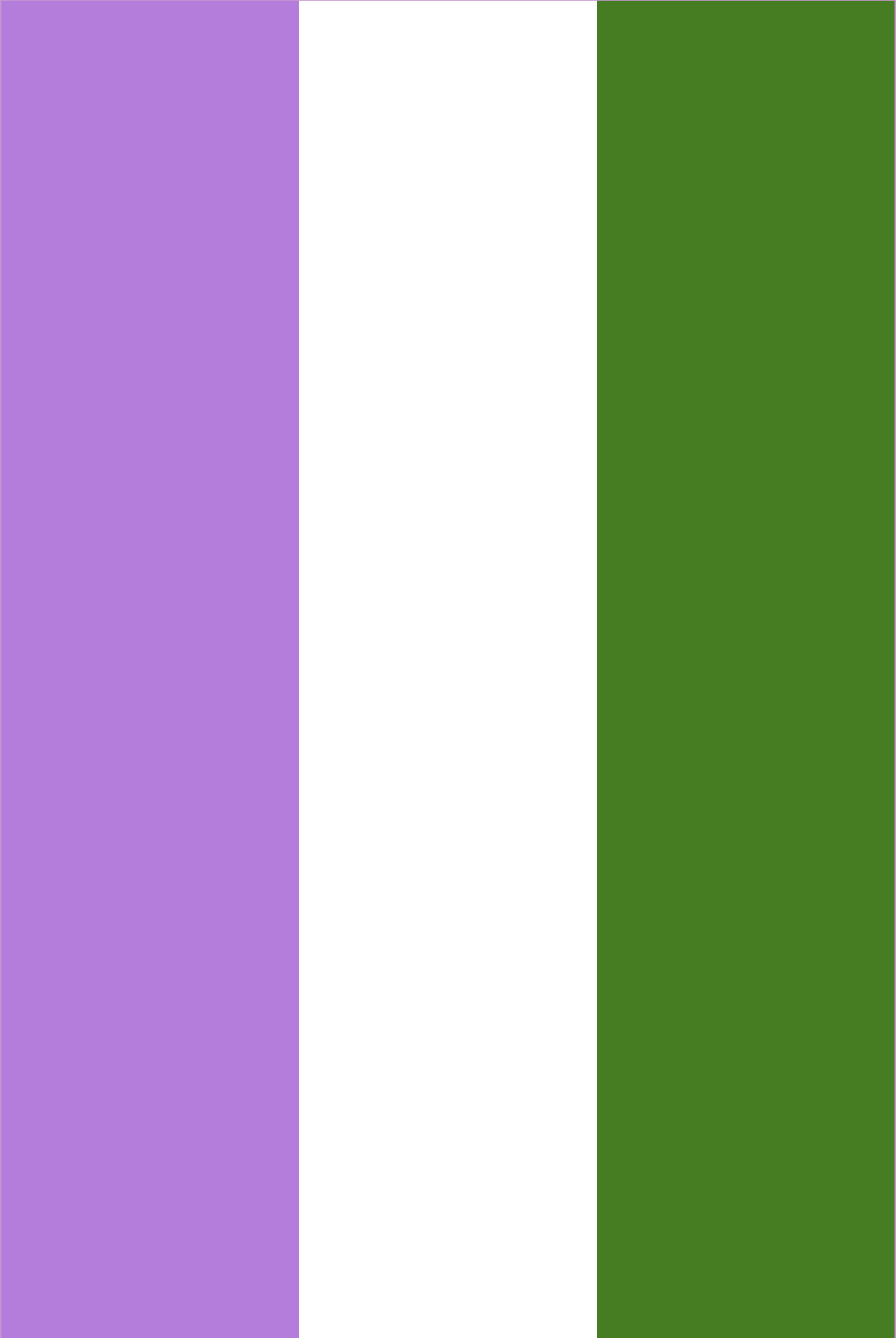

Date: 2014

Creator: Kyle Rowan

The yellow represents those falling outside, or otherwise defining self without any reference to, the gender binary. The white represents a multiplicity of genders. The purple represents gender identities that lie between man and woman. The black represents an absence of gender.

Definition: Nonbinary is a gender identity that refers to those who do not experience gender within the culturally expected binary system of man and woman. Nonbinary is both a specific identity and a larger umbrella term.





GENDERQUEER FLAG

Date: 2011

Creator: Marilyn Roxie

The lavender is a mixture of blue and pink—the traditional colors associated with masculinity and femininity in the West—representing androgyny. The white in the middle represents the agender spectrum and reflects the white in the middle of the trans flag. The green is the inverse of the lavender and represents non-binary identities.

Definition: Genderqueer is a gender identity. Typically, genderqueer is understood as a catch-all term for noncisgender identity. It is also often used to intentionally complicate gender identities. It is also a reclaimed slur, so not all people are comfortable with the term.



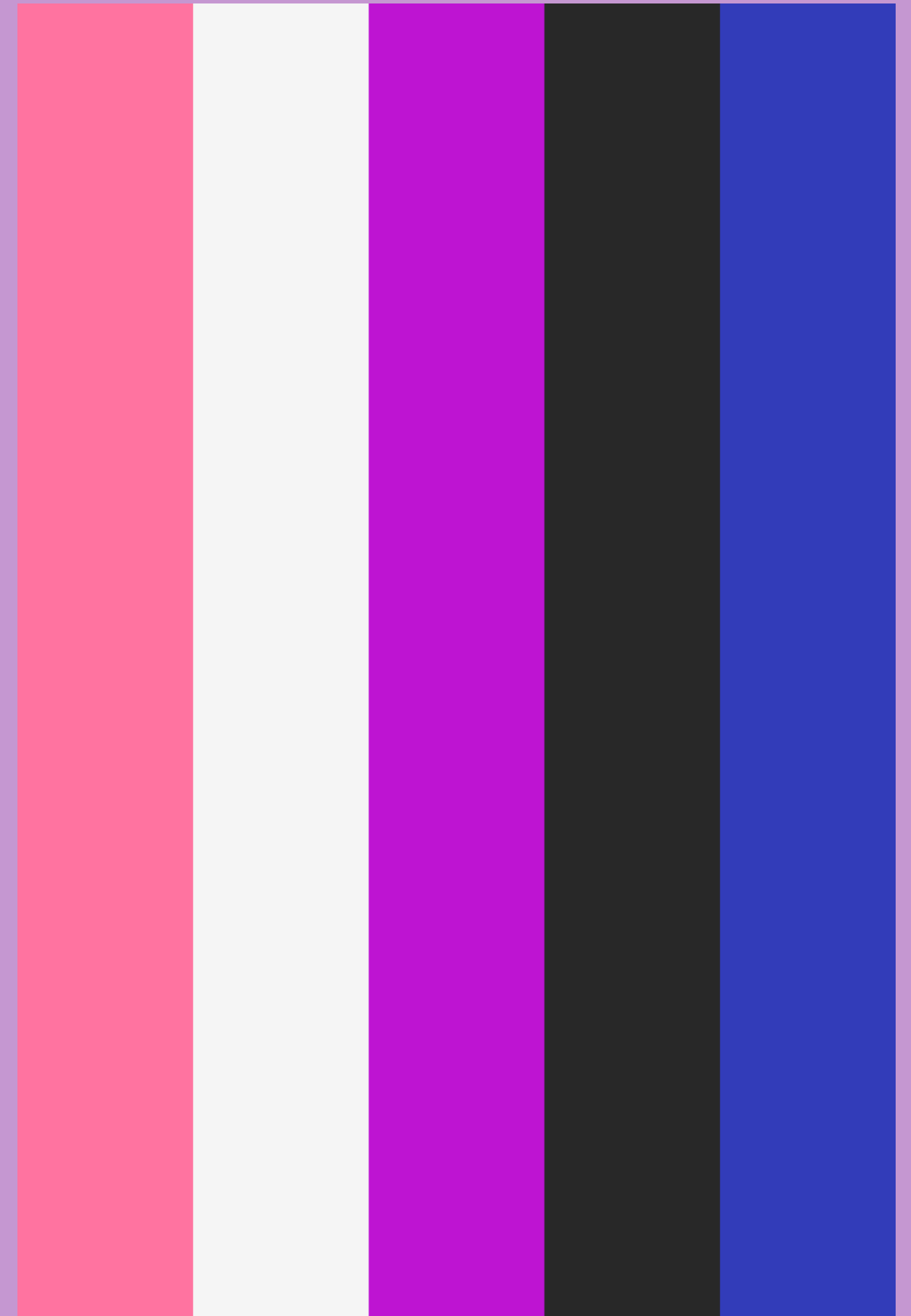
GENDERFLUID FLAG

Date: 2012

Creator: JJ Poole

The pink represents femininity. The white represents a lack of gender. The purple represents androgyny. The black represents the non-binary spectrum of identities. The blue represents masculinity.

Definition: Genderfluid is a gender identity that refers to an experience of gender that changes over time. This may be over short or long spans, and manifest in language or presentation changes, or not.





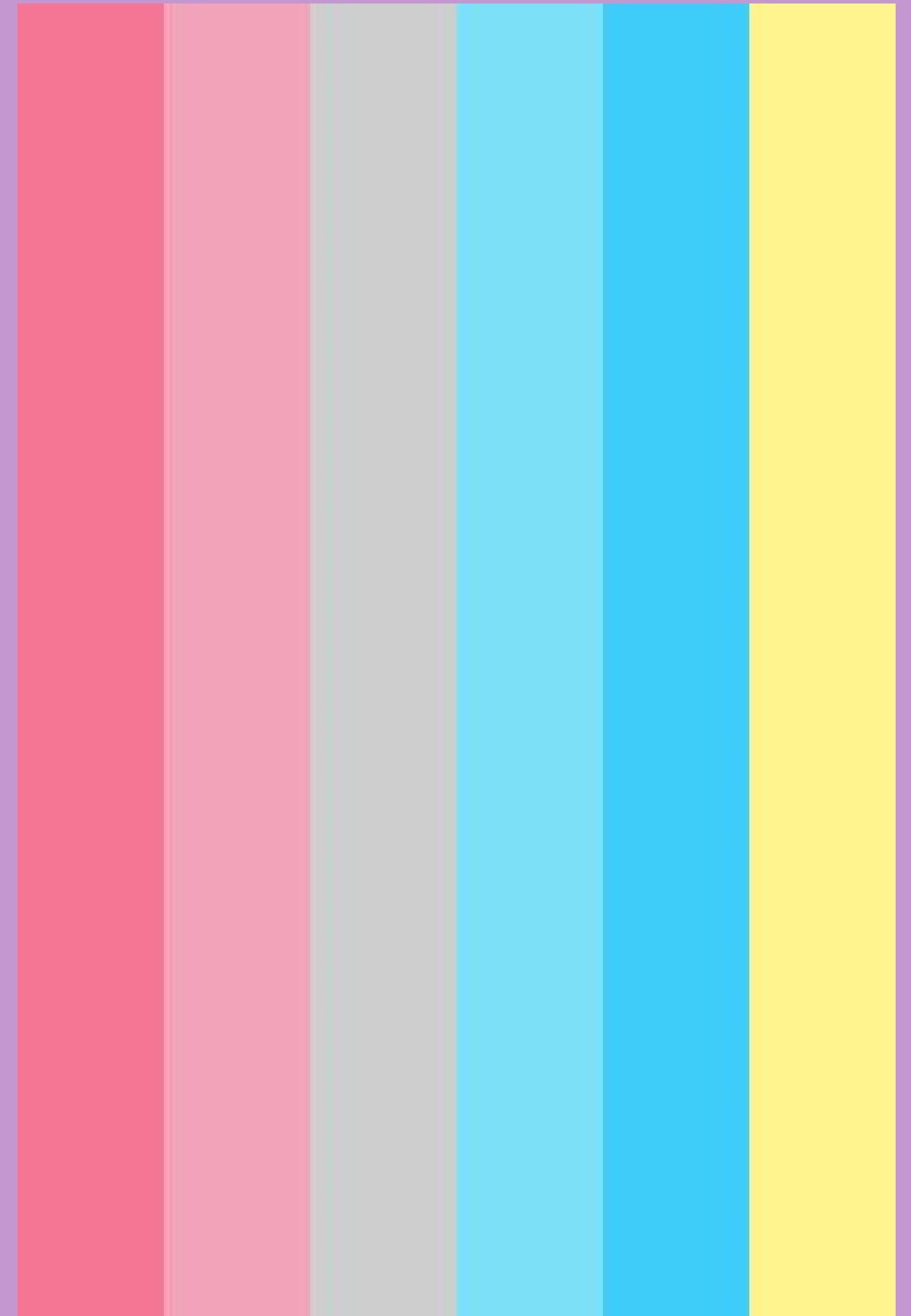
GENDERFLUX FLAG

Date: 2012

Creator: @campcounseling on Tumblr

Dark pink represents women; light pink represents demigirls; grey represents agender; light blue represents demiboy; dark blue represents men; and yellow represents non-binary genders.

Definition: Genderflux is a gender identity that refers to the experience of having gender identity that changes in intensity. This may mean that they feel a lot like a certain gender, then less like that gender, then somewhat, not at all, etc. This can be over short or long periods of time, and may or may not result in language and presentation changes.





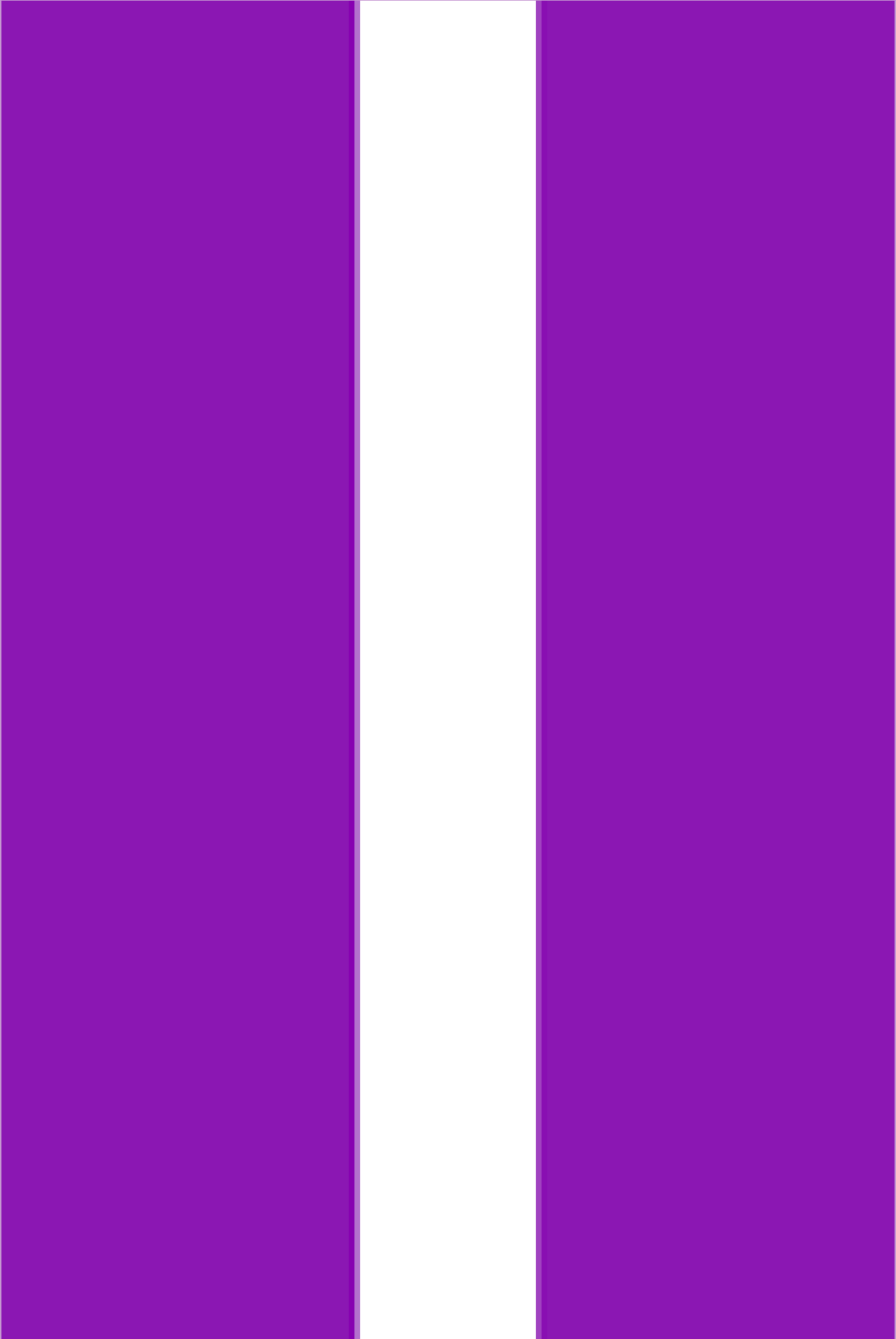
GENDER CREATIVE FLAG

Date: 2015

Creator: Leslie Ellen

The banner is constructed of two exterior lavender fields in opposition, a composite of the pink and blue fields found in the transgender pride flag and an interior white field one-fifth the proportion to the remainder. Lavender symbolizes the blurring of the conventional ideals associated with masculinity and femininity whereas white represents freedom of gender expression.

Definition: Gendercreative is defined as an umbrella gender identity that refers to rejection of expected gender roles and stereotypes. It was originally coined to refer to young children, but can be used by anyone of any age.





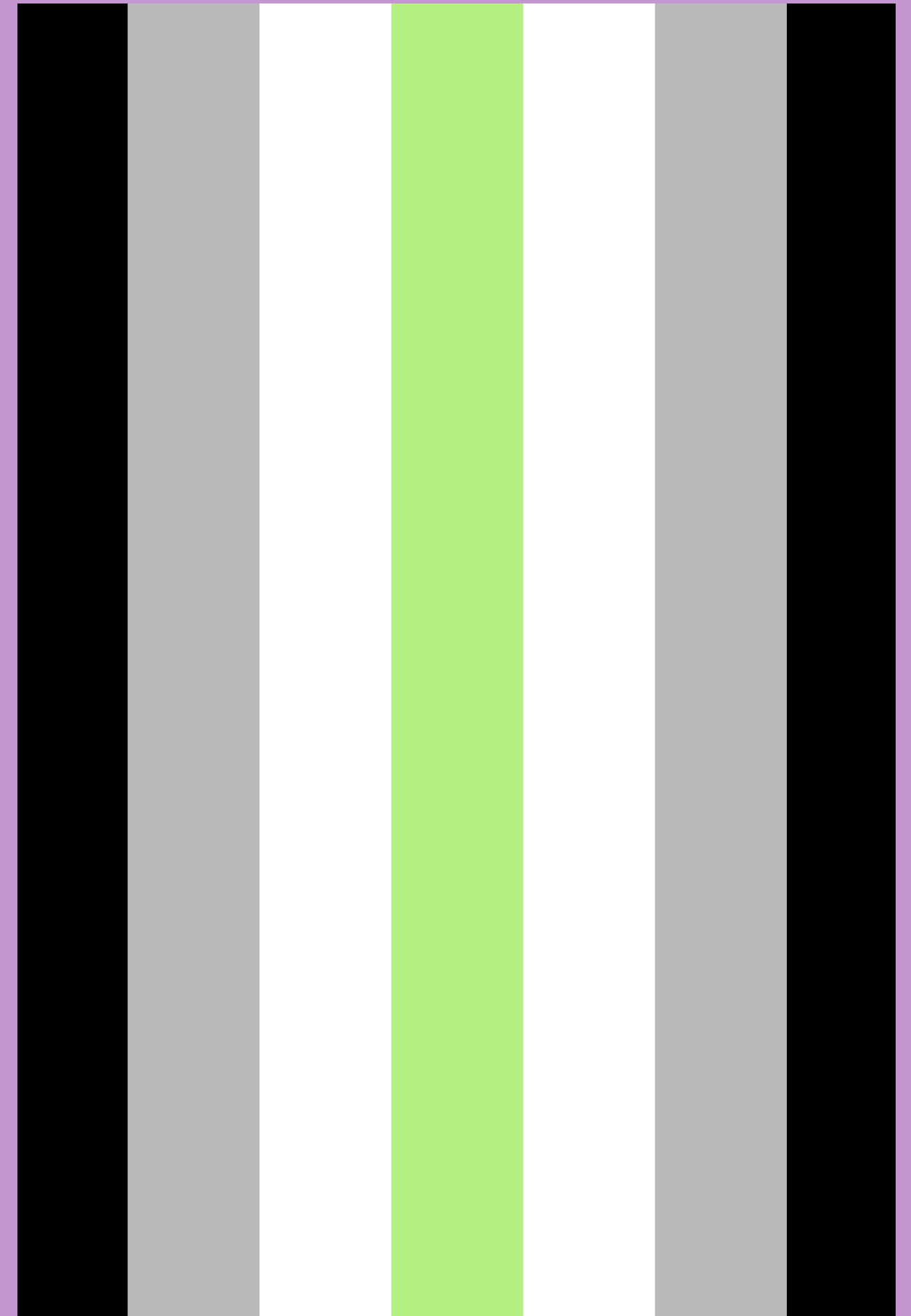
AGENDER FLAG

Date: 2014

Creator: @transrants on Tumblr

The black and white stripes represent a lack of gender. The grey stripes represent being semi-genderless. The green stripe represents non-binary genders.

Definition: Agender is a gender identity defined by having little or no connection to gender.





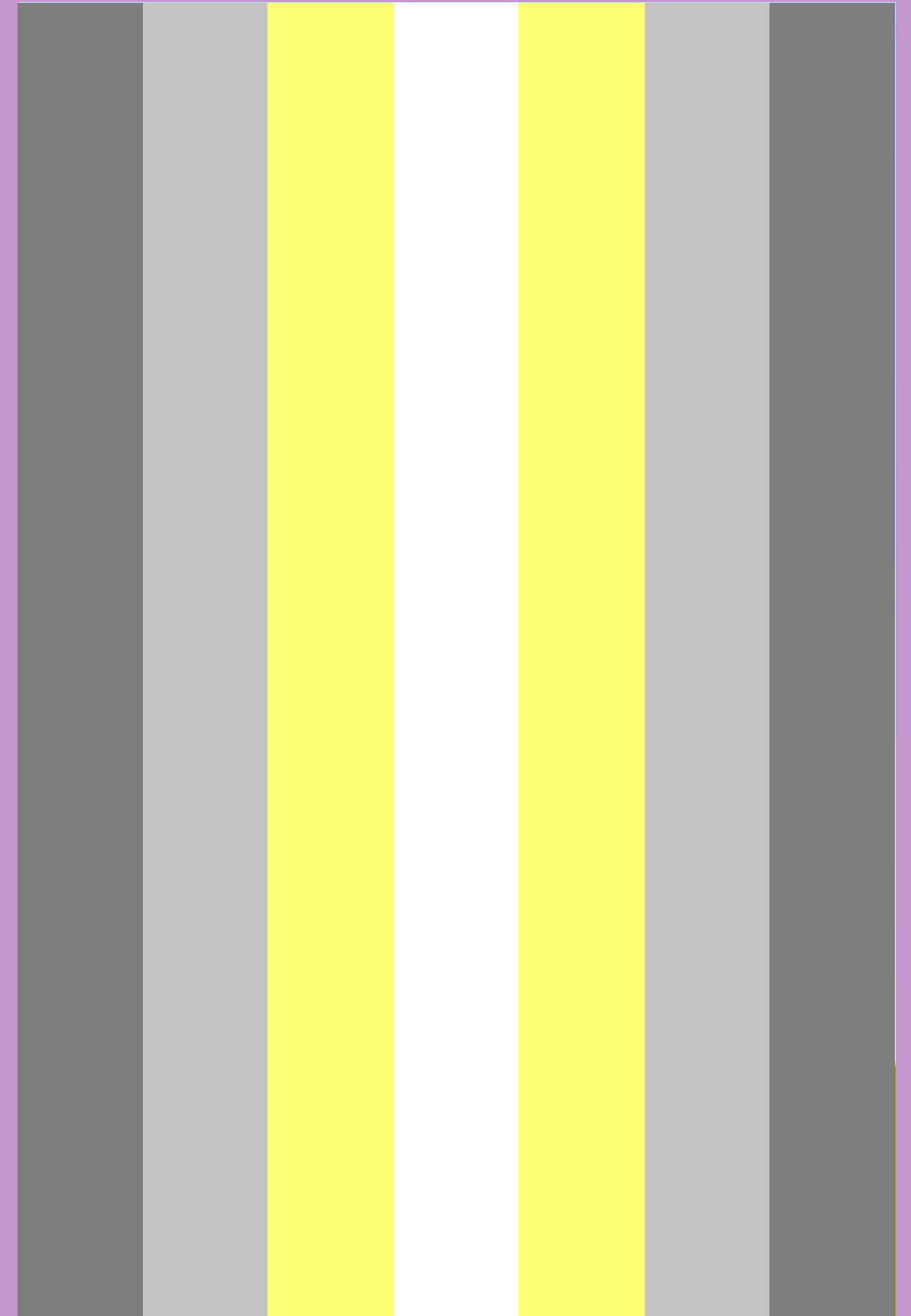
DEMIGENDER FLAG

Date: 2014

Creator: @transrants on Tumblr

The flag features a white stripe in the middle, which represents people who identify as agender or a third gender. Flanking the white stripe on the top and bottom are dark gray, light gray, and yellow. Those stripes represent the gender binary and non-binary genders.

Definition: Demigender is a gender identity that describes feeling a partial connection to a specific gender or concept of gender, but not a full connection.





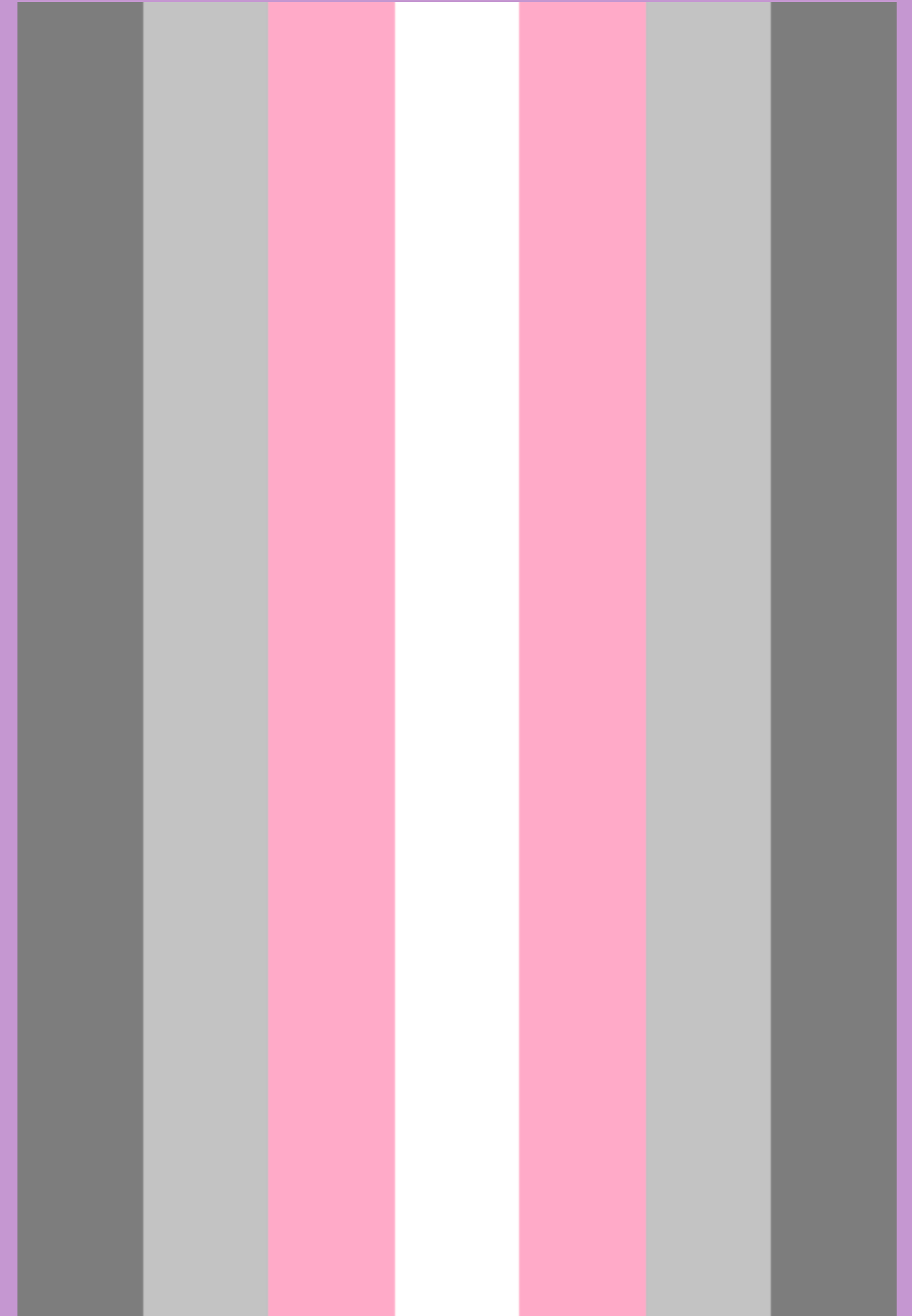
DEMIGIRL FLAG


Date: 2014

Creator: @transrants on Tumblr

The color meanings are the same as the demigender flag, but replacing the yellow with pink – the color most associated with girls in Western culture.

Definition: Demigirl is a gender identity that describes feeling a partial connection to girl/womanhood or concept of girl/womanhood, but not a full connection.





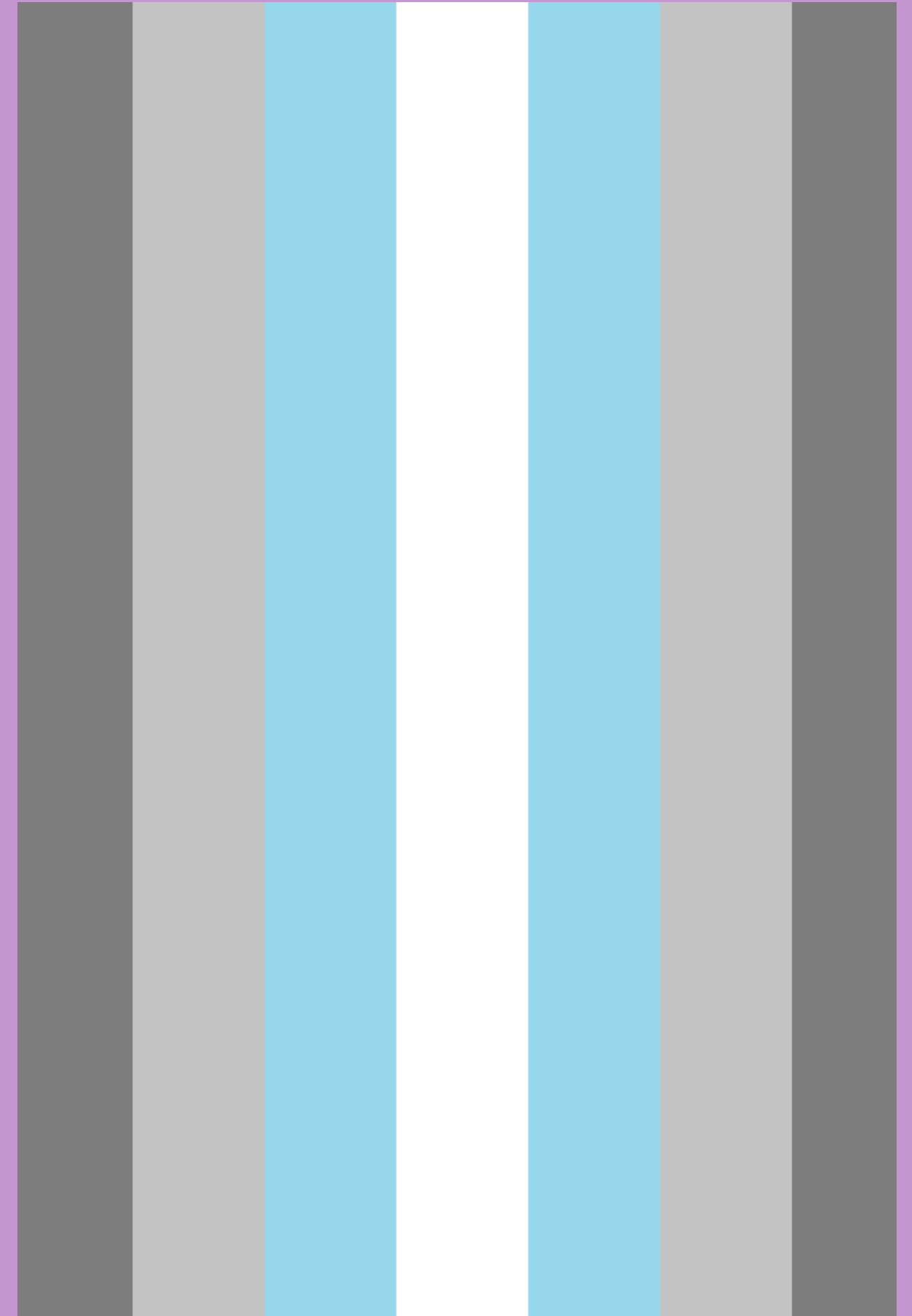
DEMIBOY FLAG

Date: 2014

Creator: @transrants on Tumblr

The color meanings are the same as the demigender flag, but replacing the yellow with blue – the color most associated with boys in Western culture.

Definition: Demiboy is a gender identity that describes feeling a partial connection to boy/manhood or concept of boy/manhood, but not a full connection.





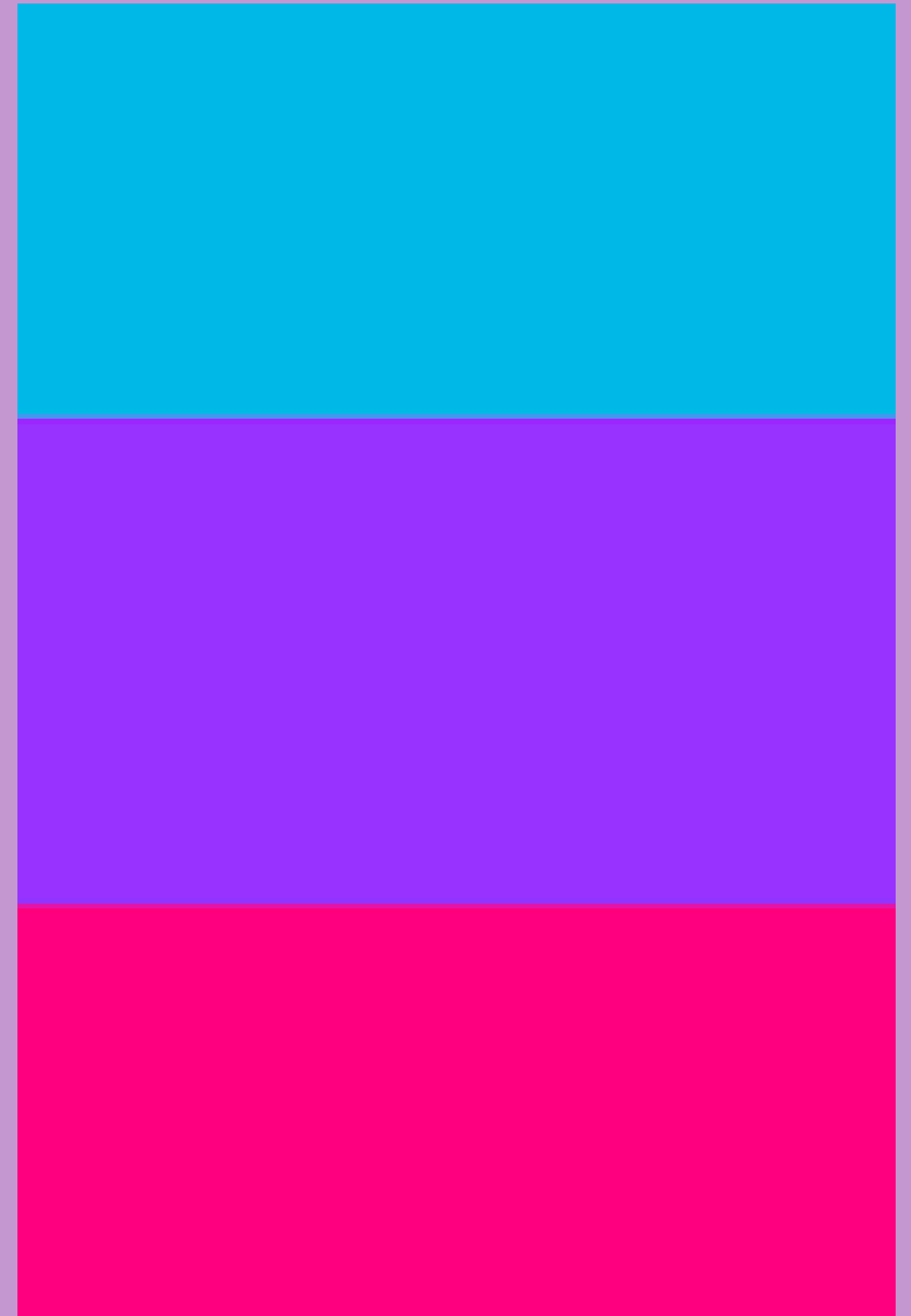
ANDROGYNE FLAG

Date: 2011

Creator: @saveferris on Tumblr

The pink represents femininity, the blue represents masculinity and the purple represents a combination of the both.

Definition: Androgyne is a gender identity that describes being simultaneously a man and a woman, or in between the two.





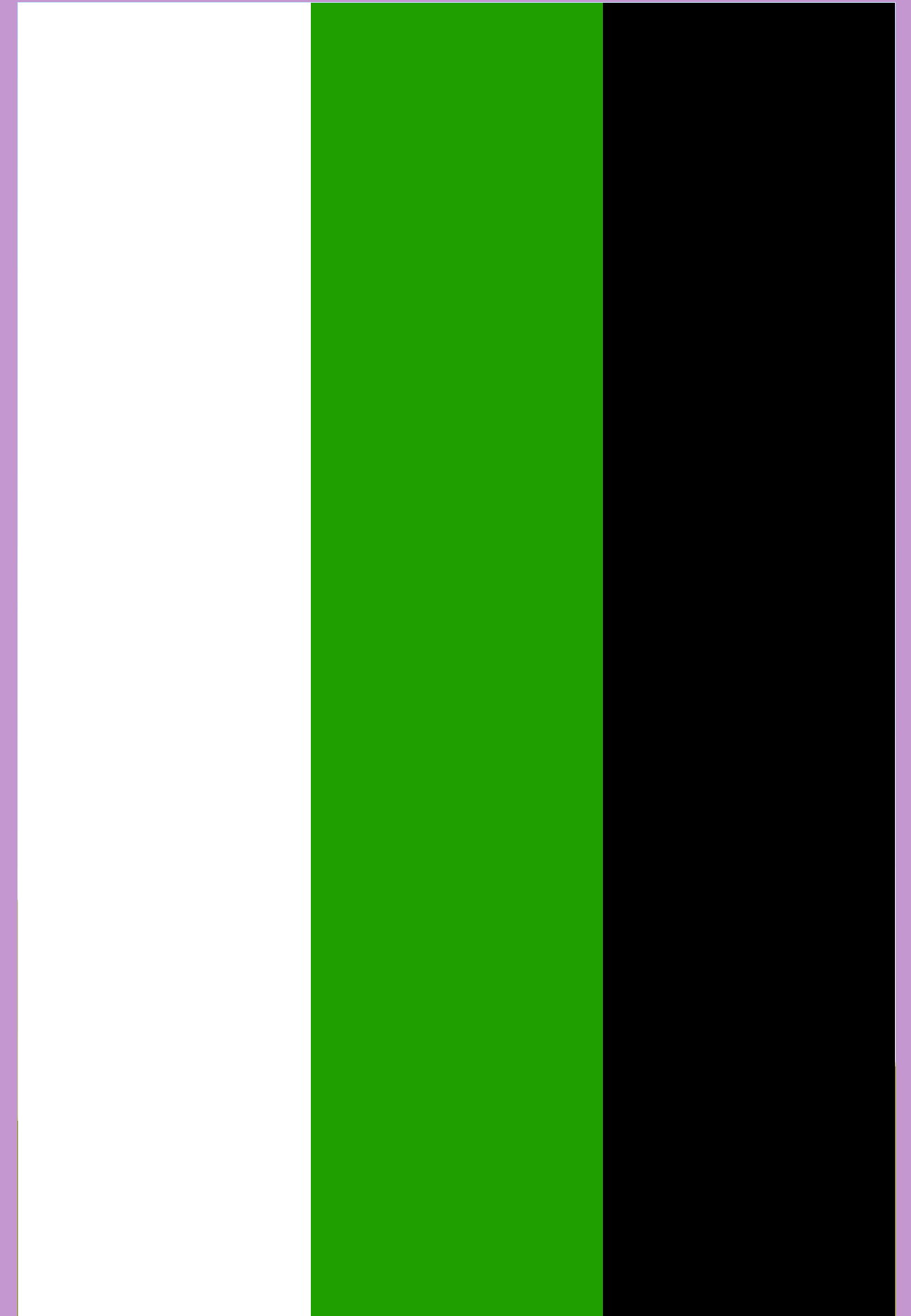
NEUTROIS FLAG


Date: 2016

Creator: Unknown

White means neutral, unidentified, or questioning gender. Black is agender or genderless. Green is for nonbinary gender.

Definition: Neutrois is a gender identity that is characterized by being neither man nor woman, having no gender, or no gender expression. Typically, those who identify with the term describe feeling neutral towards their own gender identity and expression.





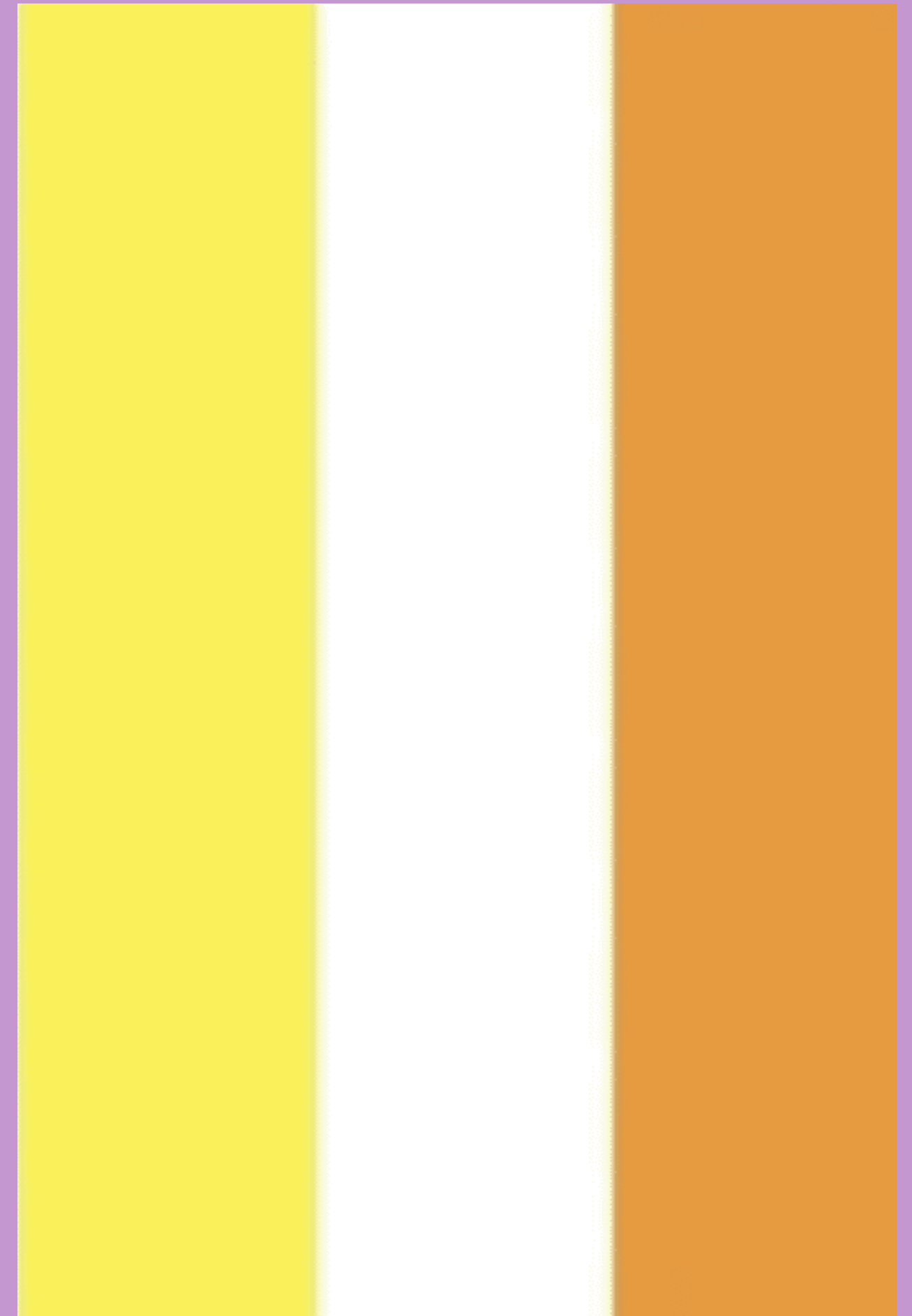
MAVERIQUE FLAG

Date: 2014

Creator: @queerascat on Tumblr

The yellow stripe is a color commonly associated with non-binary individuals, the white stripe represents freedom from gender binary, and the orange stripe represents the inner conviction and uniqueness that Maverique persons express.

Definition: Maverique is a gender identity that is a present feeling of gender, but one that is not definable within cultural context.



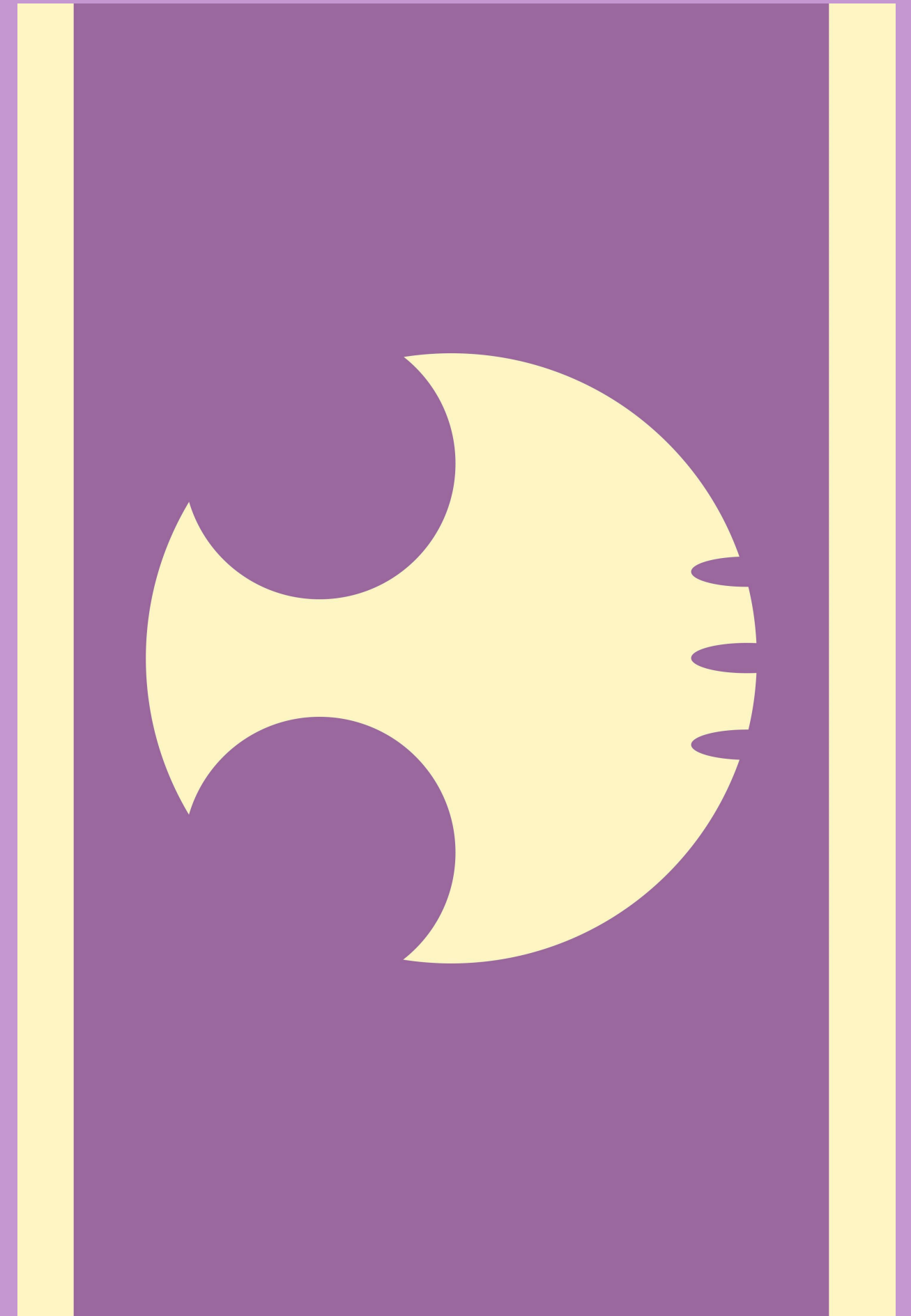
GENDERFUCK FLAG

Date: 2016

Creator: @yo-ho-sebastian on Tumblr

Purple combines pink and blue, the traditional colors for girls and boys. Yellow represents the opposite of purple, including neither feminine nor masculine elements and completely rejecting and existing outside the gender binary. Purple and yellow complement each other to represent those whose identities combine both of these experiences. The skull represents the rebellious and gender non-conforming nature of this identity.

Definition: Genderfuck seeks to subvert traditional gender binary by mixing or bending one's gender expression, identity, or presentation.





GENDERPUNK FLAG

Date: 2015

Creator: @Pride-Flags on DeviantArt

The red stripe represents femininity. The blue represents masculinity. The purple represents androgyny. The black stripe in the middle represents the primarily dark color scheme of many punk subcultures.

Definition: Genderpunk is a colloquial term for the culture of resistance and resistance itself of gendernormativity. It is a resistance against gender norms, cisheteronormativity, and oppression.





XENOGENGENDER FLAG

Date: 2017

Creator: @Pastelmemer on DeviantArt

The seven stripe colors are described as common shades from iris flowers. The central yellow stripe symbolizes genders that have no relation to the gender binary. The symbol in the center of the designs is the astronomical sign for the asteroid 7 Iris, which is named after the deity associated with rainbows.

Definition: Xenogender is an umbrella gender identity where gender goes beyond human understanding of gender. This may include relating to gender systems among animal, plants, or other non-human objects and concepts.





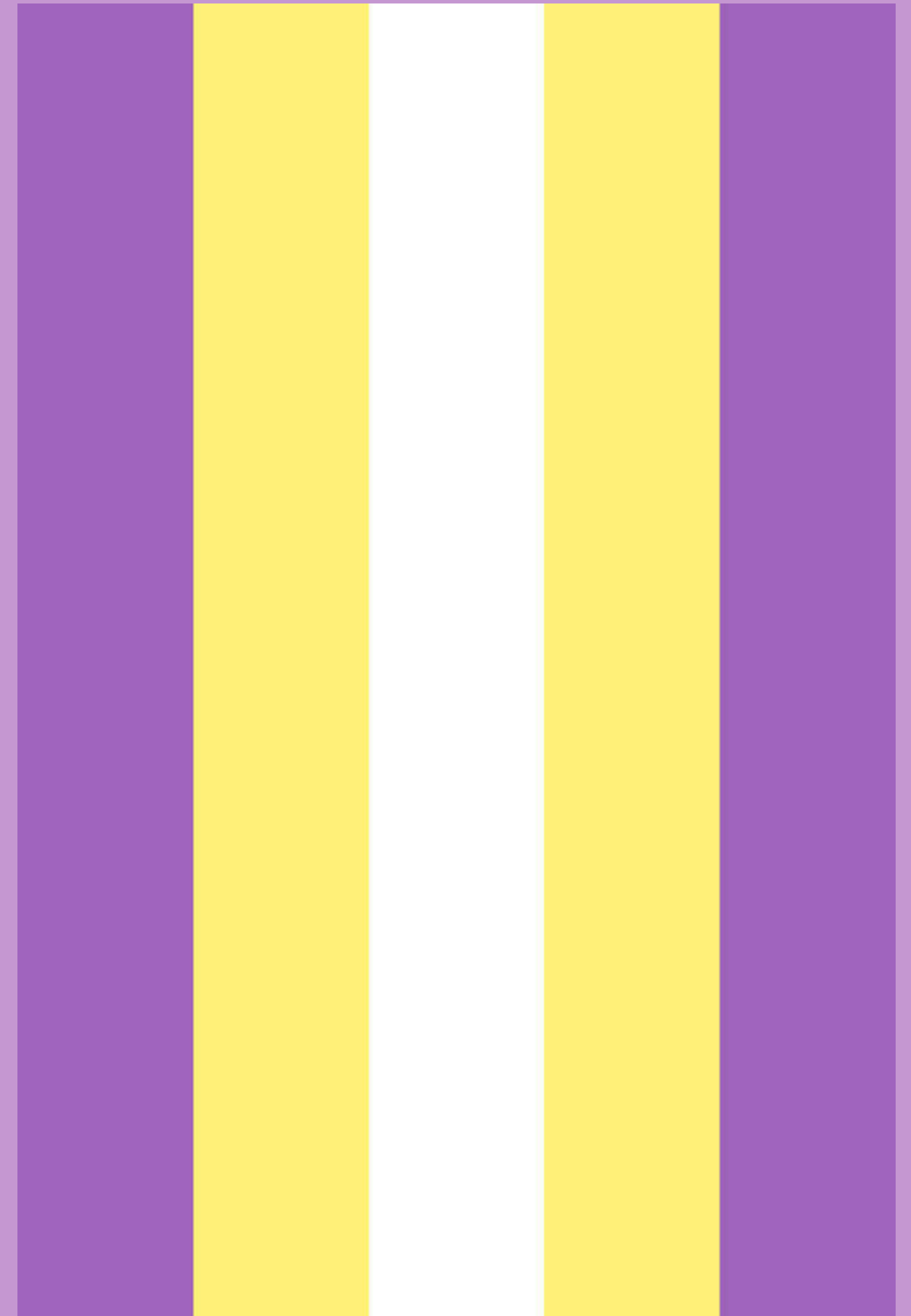
ULTERGENDER FLAG

Date: 2017

Creator: @intersex-education on LGBTQIA+ Wiki

The flag was based on the transgender flag and an alternative intersex flag. The colors are based off of the orchid flower, which was chosen because it's an intersex symbol and is in the intersex pride colors.

Definition: Ultergender is a gender for trans intersex people. It describes intersex people who identify as a gender other than their assigned gender at birth, but do not feel the term transgender describes them, due to being intersex.





INTERGENDER FLAG

Date: 2014

Creator: @actuallyintersex on Tumblr

This flag also has an alternate version where the blue and pink stripes of the flag switch places. The creators of the flag used a similar layout and color scheme to an old version of the intersex flag that used blue, pink, white, and purple.

Definition: Intergender is a gender identity that is primarily for those who are also intersex. The identity refers to feeling harmony with your sex assigned at birth, but because that is neither male nor female, feeling as though your gender is between man and woman in a way not adequately described by cisgender or transgender. Many who use this term may also identify as nonbinary.





NEUROGENDER FLAG

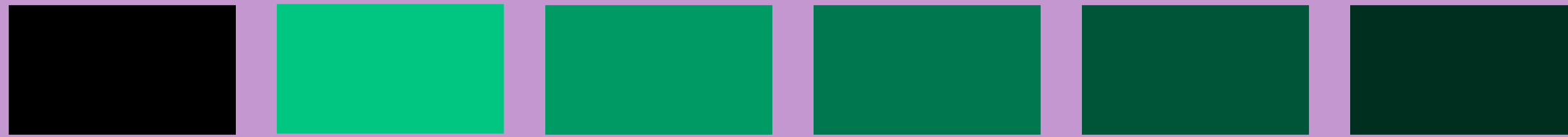
Date: 2014

Creator: @aflutteringlaney on Tumblr

The colors are red, green, blue, and purple; they represent a rainbow or spectrum of gender identities and neurotypes that neurodivergent people have. The infinity sign is used to represent neurodiversity and is black to represent the aromantic and asexual spectrums.

Definition: Neurogender is both a gender identity and an umbrella term to describe when someone's gender is somehow linked to their neurotype, mental illness, or neurological conditions. This is an exclusive term for those with neurodivergency. Not all neurodivergent people feel that their neurotype impacts gender, and therefore will not relate to this term.





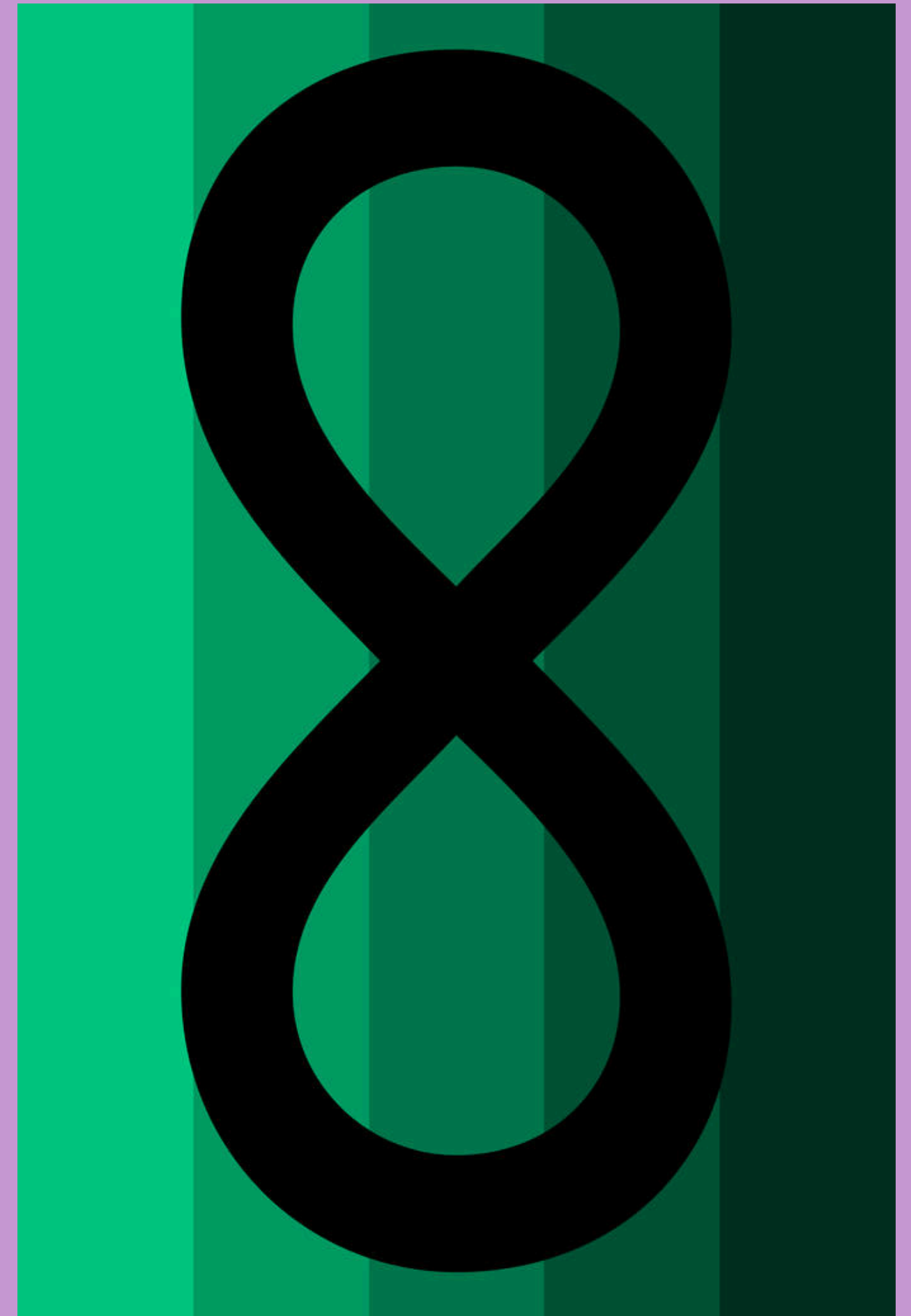
AUTIGENDER FLAG

Date: 2015

Creator: @pride-flags-for-us on Tumblr

It features five stripes, varying from a medium-light green to dark green, as the color green represents neurodivergence. There is a black infinity sign on the flag, which is a symbol for neurodivergence and autism.

Definition: Autigender is a gender identity that is exclusive to autistic people. It describes a gender experience that is characterized by autistic experiences and heavily interconnected with autistic identity. Not all people with autism will relate to the term.





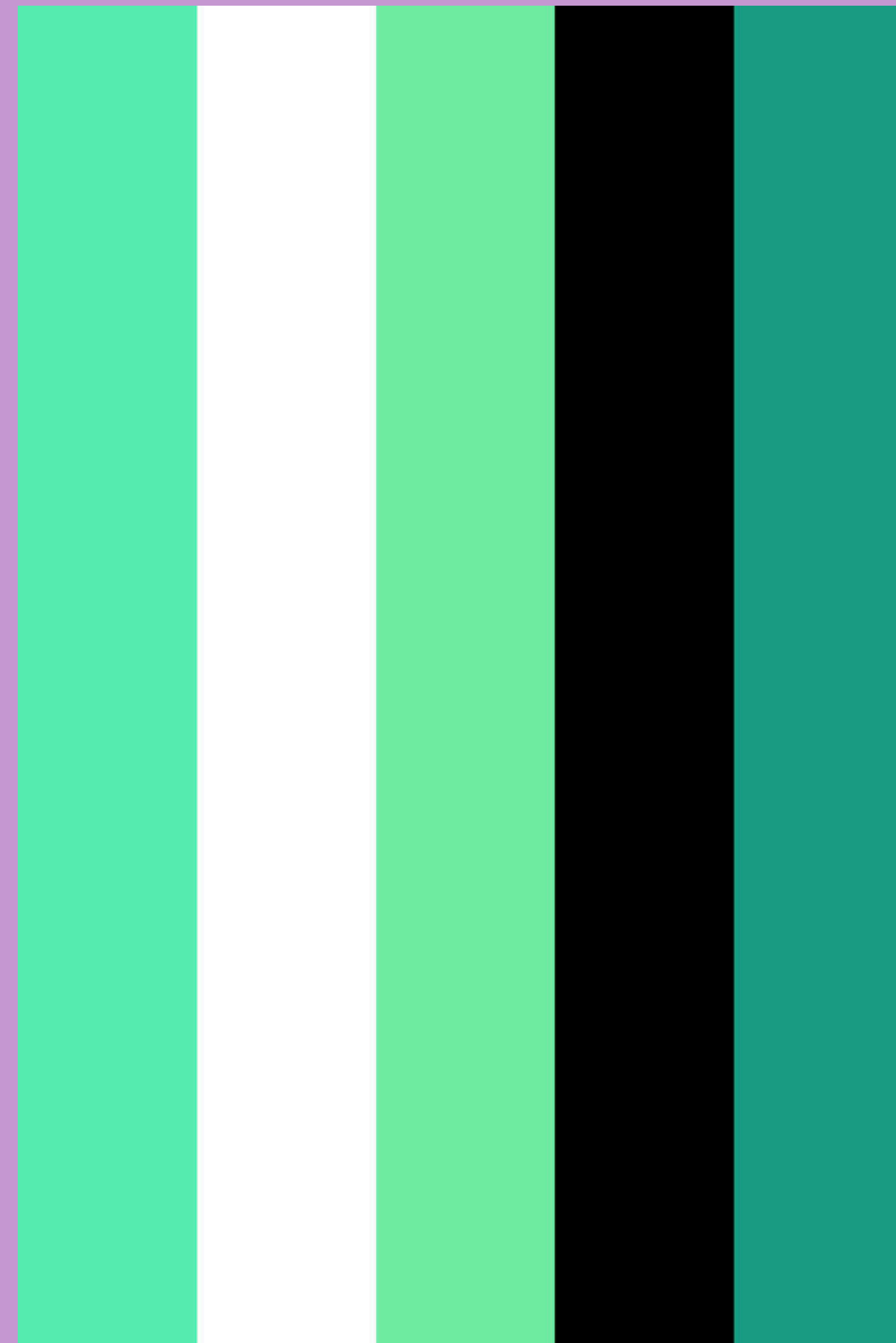
SYSTEMFLUID FLAG

Date: 2017

Creator: @pastelmemer on Tumblr

The flag colors are inspired by the genderfluid flag, but with the colors replaced with greens, which is the color of neurodivergency awareness.

Definition: Systemfluid is an exclusive gender identity for systems in which the identity changes depending on who's fronting. This gender is intended for multiple and median systems alike. This may be a neurogender depending on the system. Plurality is required to identify as systemfluid.





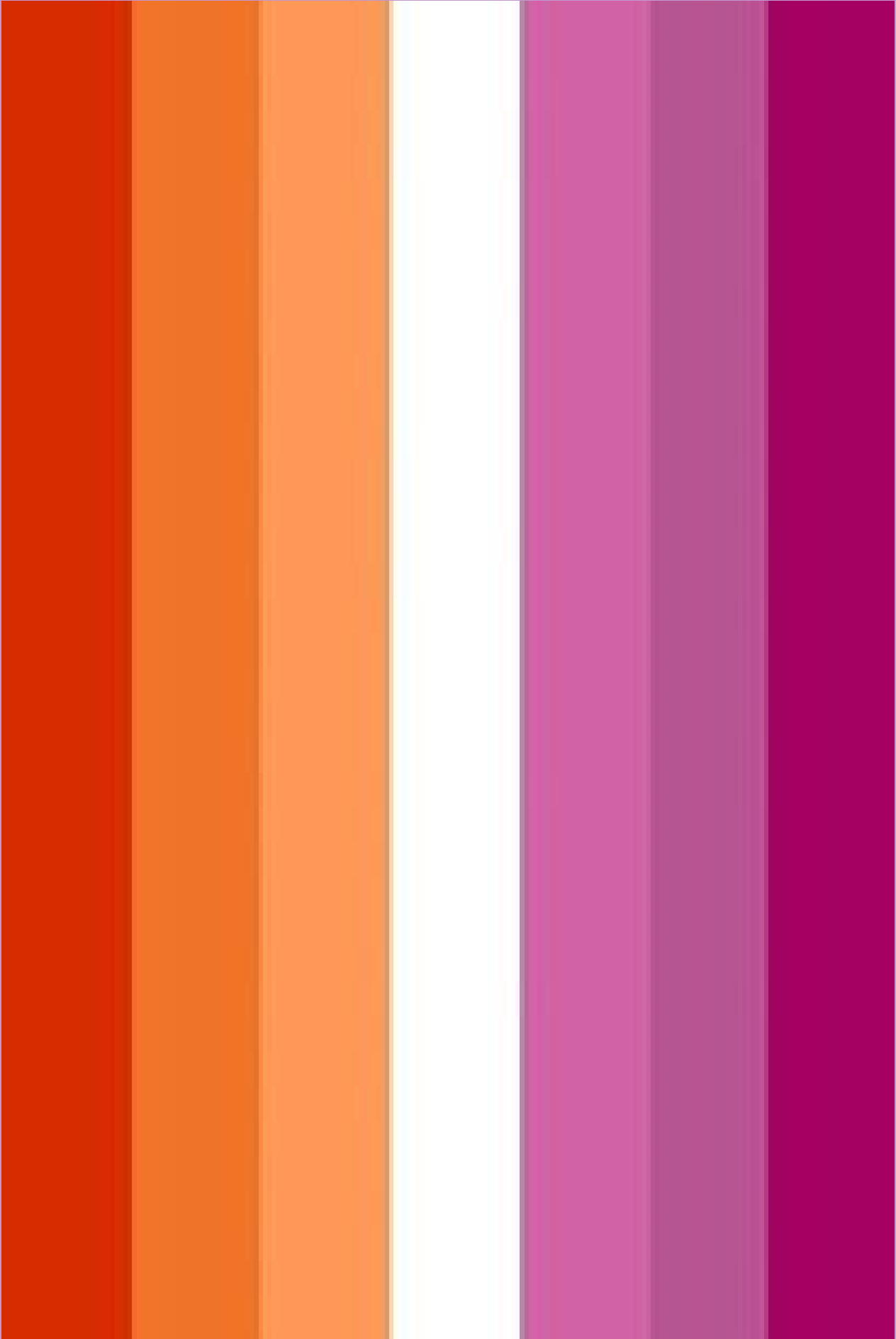
LESBIAN FLAG

Date: 2016

Creator: Emily Gwen

This flag is commonly referred to as the “Sunset” Lesbian flag to distinguish itself from an older design that is no longer used. The colors are based on the sunset: dark orange represents gender non-conformity; orange represents independence; light orange represents community; white represents unique relationships to womanhood; pink represents serenity and peace; dusty pink represents love and sex; dark rose represents femininity.

Definition: Lesbian is a sexuality used to refer to those who identify as women or femininely-identified who are attracted to people who identify as women or femininely-identified. Some nonbinary and transgender people may also use this term.





SAPPHIC FLAG

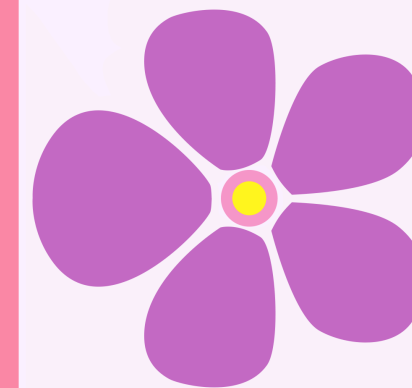
Date: 2015, 2017


Original: @lesbeux-moved on Tumblr

Redesign: @pride-color-schemes on Tumblr

The pink stripes represent love. A violet is in the center, which has traditionally been presented between women to represent their sapphic love.

Definition: Sapphic is a sexuality that refers to a woman or woman-aligned person of any sexual orientation who is attracted to women or woman-aligned genders/gender identities. It is an umbrella term for many identities, including those who are lesbian, pansexual, bisexual, or queer.






GYNESEXUAL FLAG

Date: 2016

Creator: Unknown

Unknown.

Definition: Gynesexual is a sexuality that is defined as being attracted to femininity regardless of your own gender.





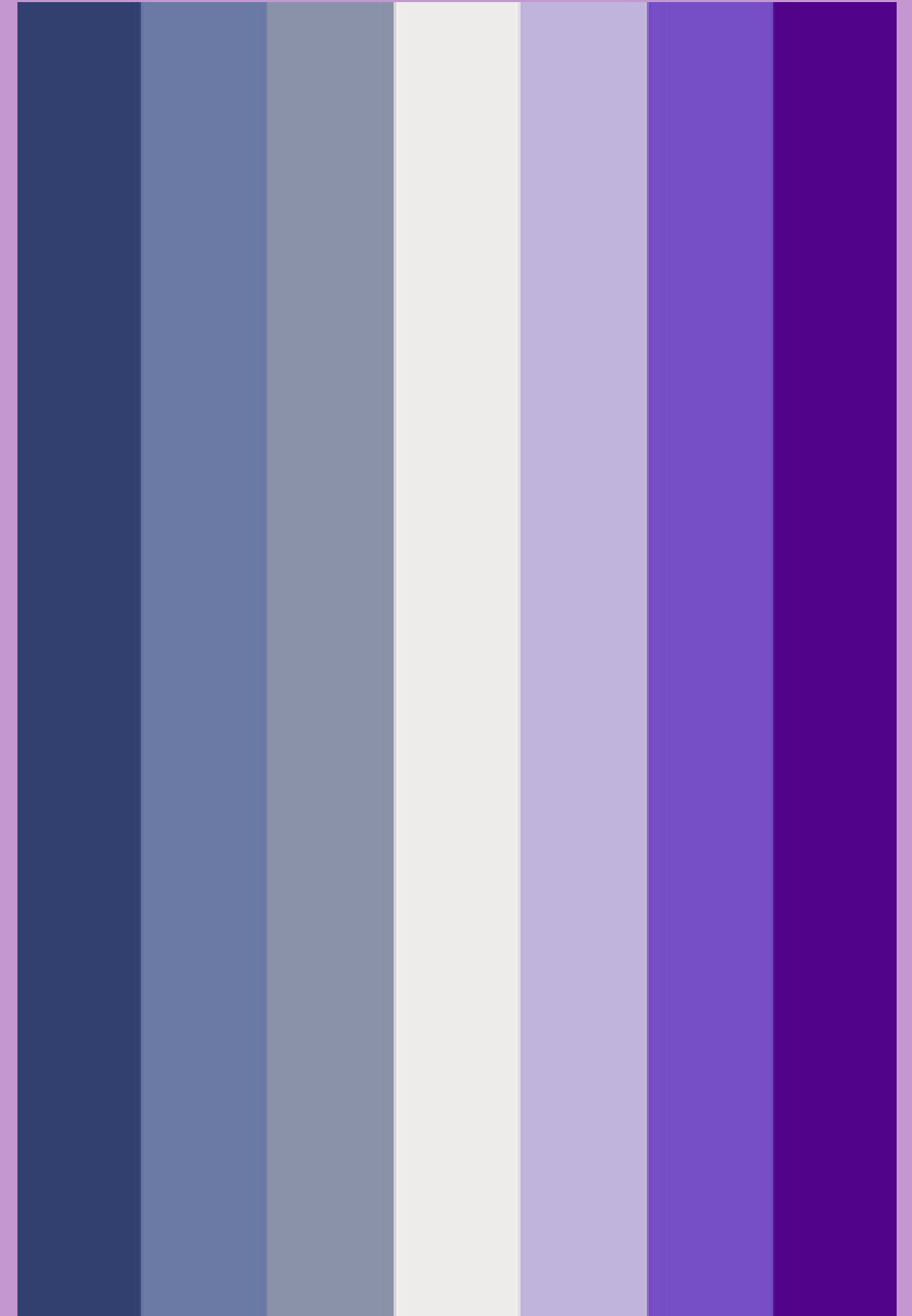
BUTCH LESBIAN FLAG

Date: 2016

Creator: @dorian-rutherford on Tumblr

The flag was designed for lesbians who do not identify with the lesbian flag due to its feminine nature. Although the creator never explicitly explained the meaning of the colors, people have guessed that the blue represents masculinity, the purple represents lesbian and woman-identified individuals, and the white represents people across the gender and sexuality spectrums more broadly.

Definition: Butch lesbian refers to lesbians who exhibit masculine identities or gender presentations.



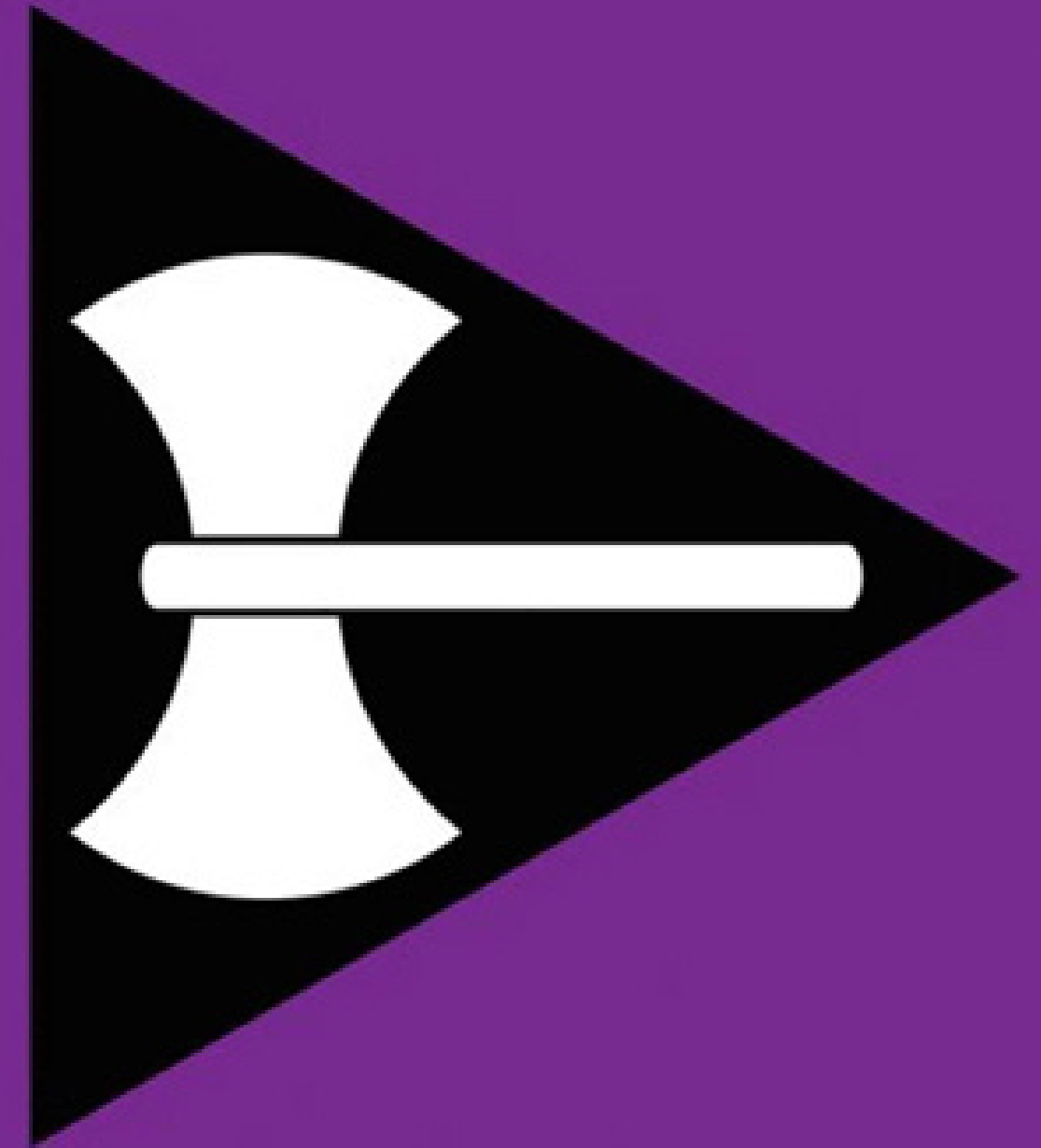


LABRYS LESBIAN FLAG

Date: 1999

Creator: Sean Campbell

The labrys has been a symbol of lesbian and female empowerment since the 70s, and is associated with the matriarchal Minoan civilization, Greek goddess Demeter, and the Ancient Grecian Amazons. The purple represents women, feminism, and all people who identify as a woman attracted to other women. The black triangle refers to the marking used in Nazi concentration camps for lesbians. The flag is heavily criticized.





GAY MEN'S FLAG

Date: 2018

Creator: @gayflagblog on Tumblr

This flag represents the men-loving-men community, who did not have a “representative” flag for most of the community’s lifetime. The deep green represents community. The teal represents healing. The light green represents joy. The white represents trans men, non-binary men, and gender non-conformity. The light blue represents love. The blue represents courage and activism. The dark blue represents diversity and inclusivity.

Definition: Gay is often known as an umbrella term for the LGB+ community. Here, it is used more specifically to refer to gay men. This definition is a sexuality used to refer to those who identify as men or masculinely-identified who are attracted to people who identify as men or masculinely-identified. Some nonbinary and transgender people may also use this term.





ACHILLEAN FLAG

Date: 2016

Original: @pridenpositivity on Tumblr

Redesign: @Pride-Flags on DeviantArt

The flag contains the color blue to represent men and a lime-green carnation in the center, which was popularized by Oscar Wilde, who often wore a carnation pin.

Definition: Achillean is a sexuality that refers to a man or man-aligned person of any sexual orientation who is attracted to men or man-aligned genders/gender identities. It is an umbrella term for many identities, including those who are gay, pansexual, bisexual, or queer.






ANDROSEXUAL FLAG

Date: 2016

Creator: Unknown

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Definition: Androsexual is a sexuality that is defined as being attracted to masculinity regardless of your own gender.





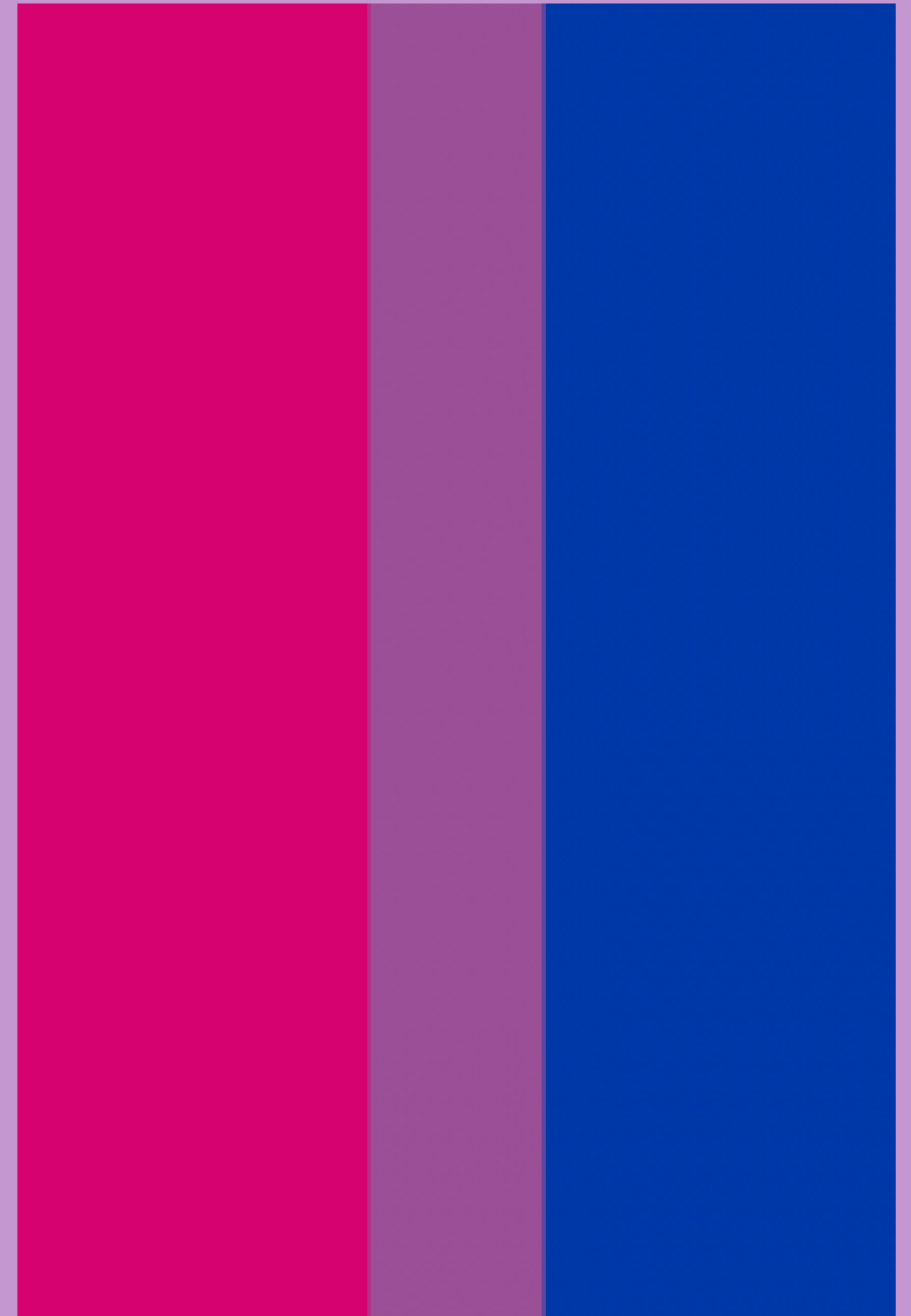
BISEXUAL FLAG

Date: 1998

Creator: Michael Page

The flag was created in response to a lack of visibility for bisexual people in the community, and was first unveiled at BiCafe in December 1998. The colors do not refer to specific genders. The magenta represents same-gender attraction, while the blue represents opposite-gender attraction. The deep lavender represents the in-between—the attraction to more than one gender.

Definition: Bisexual is a sexuality that is characterized by attraction to two or more genders, or to people of both the same gender as yourself and to people that have a gender different than your own. It may also include attraction regardless of gender.





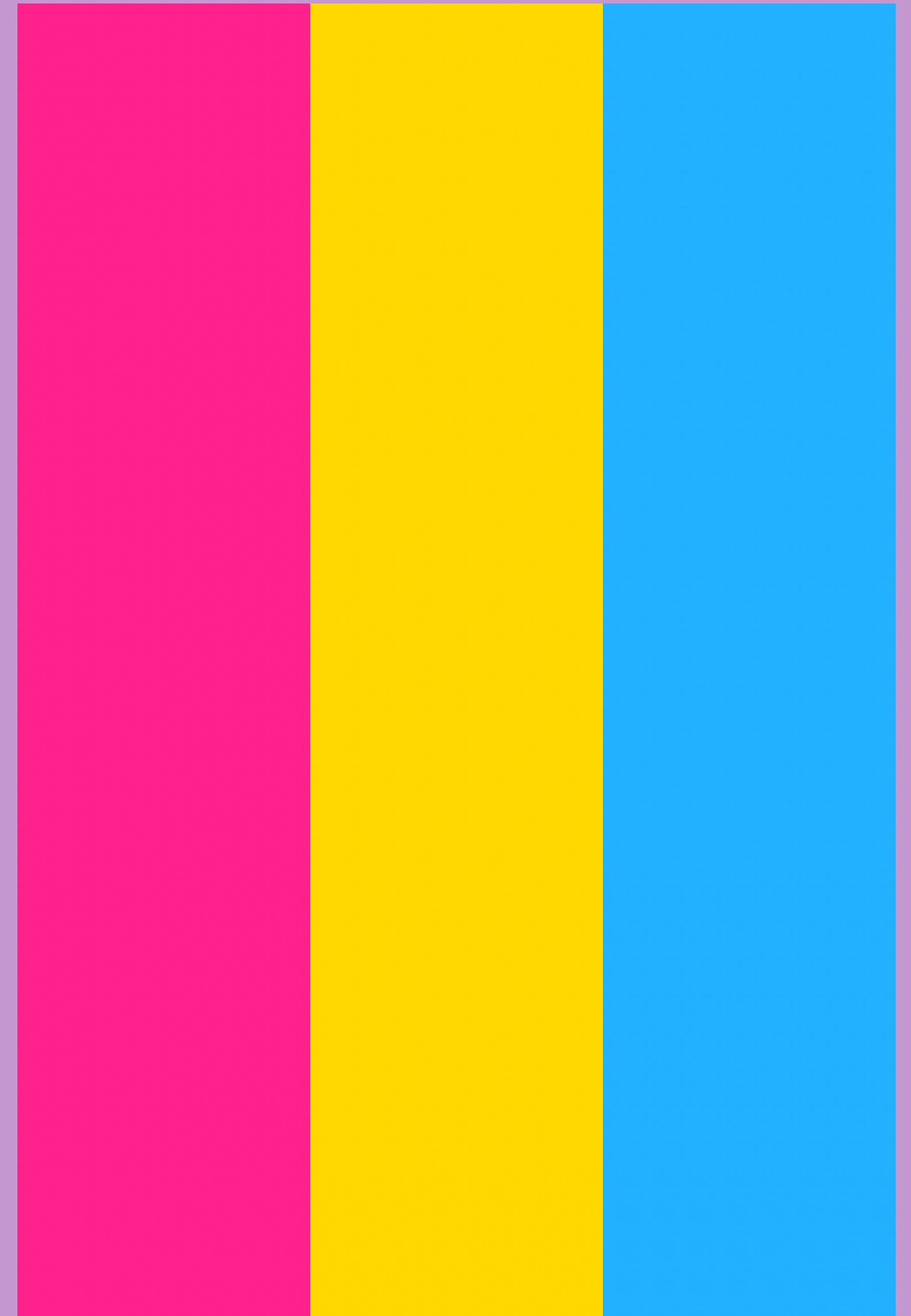
PANSEXUAL FLAG

Date: 2010

Creator: Jasper V. on Tumblr

The pink represents attraction to women. The blue represents attraction to men. The yellow represents attraction to anyone not falling within the gender binary.

Definition: Pansexual is a sexuality that is characterized by attraction regardless of gender, or an attraction to all genders.





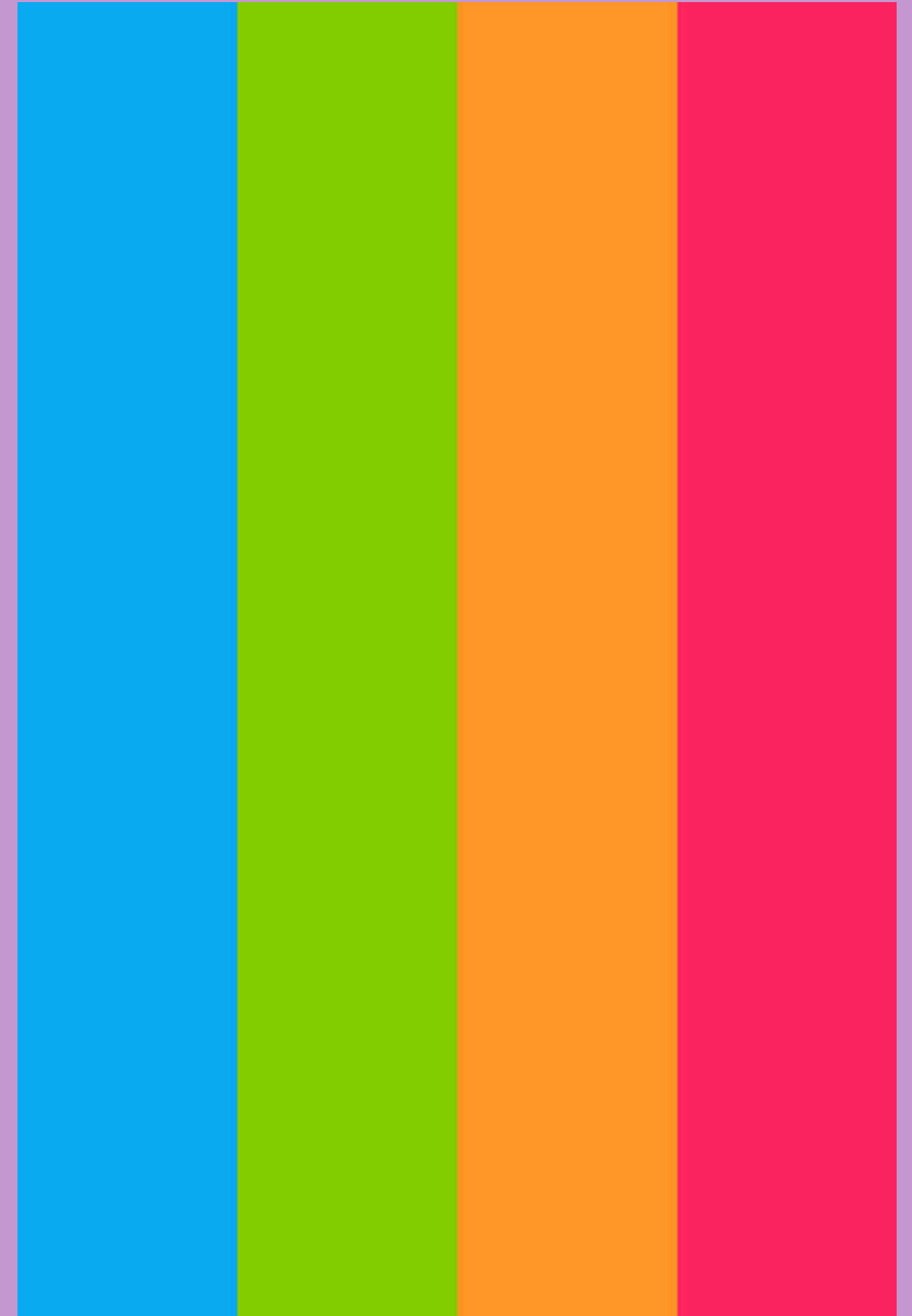
PANROMANTIC FLAG

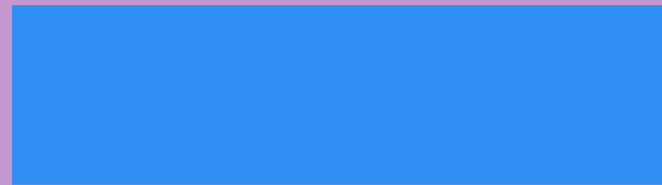
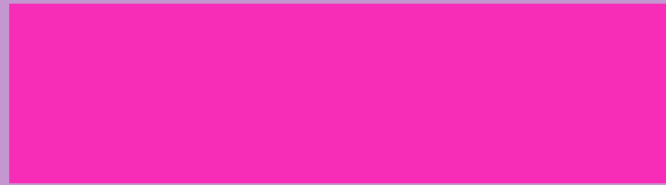
Date: Unknown

Creator: Unknown

The red and blue represent the romantic attraction to binary male and female. The orange represents romantic attraction to genders both outside the binary and genders inbetween the binary. The green represents the romantic attraction to those who are genderless and gender neutral.

Definition: Panromantic is defined as romantic attraction regardless of gender, or to all genders.





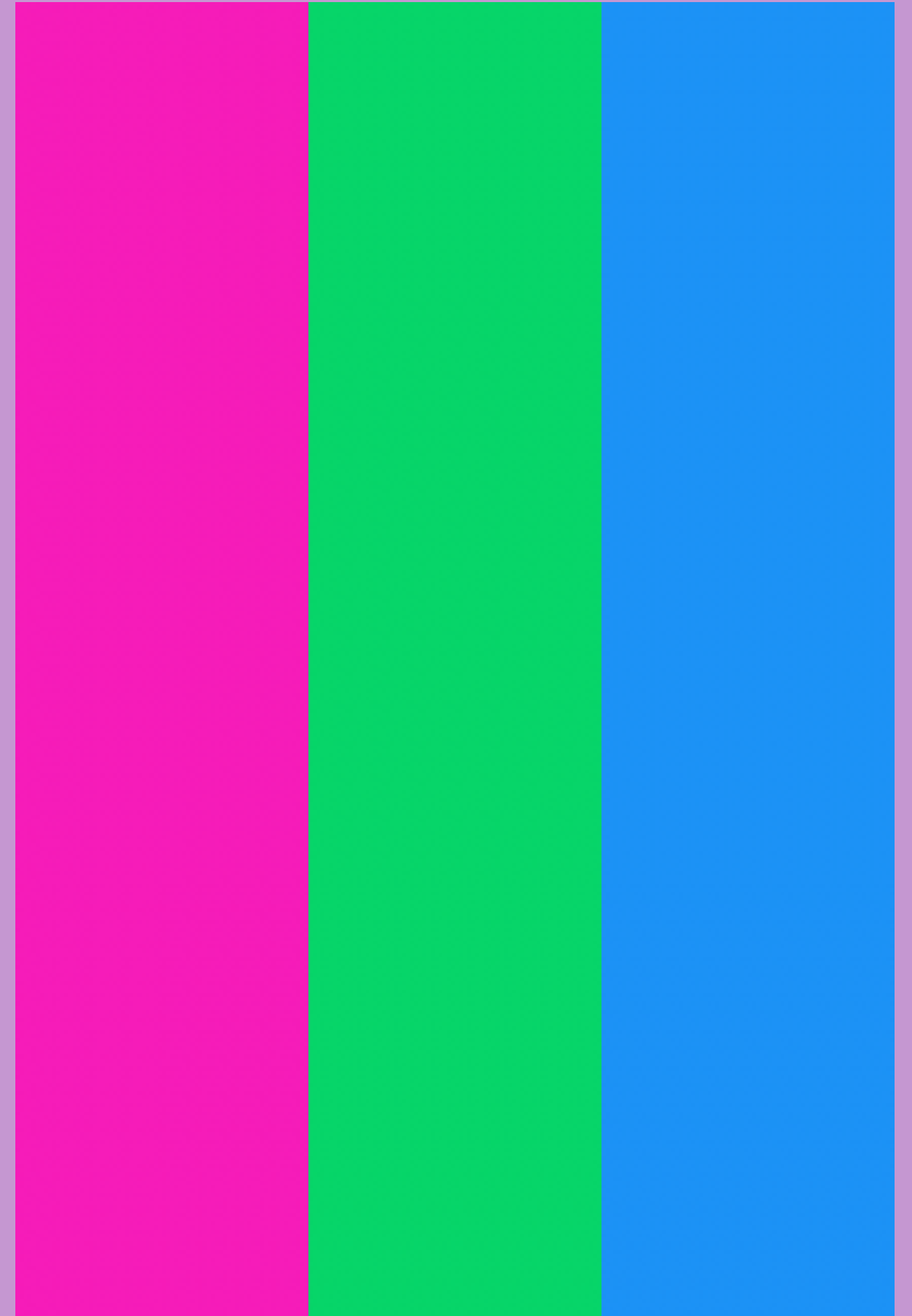
POLYSEXUAL FLAG

Date: 2012

Creator: @Samlin on Tumblr

The pink represents attraction to women. The green represents attraction to non-binary people. The blue represents attraction to men.

Definition: Polysexual is a sexuality that is characterized by attraction to multiple genders, but not necessarily all genders.





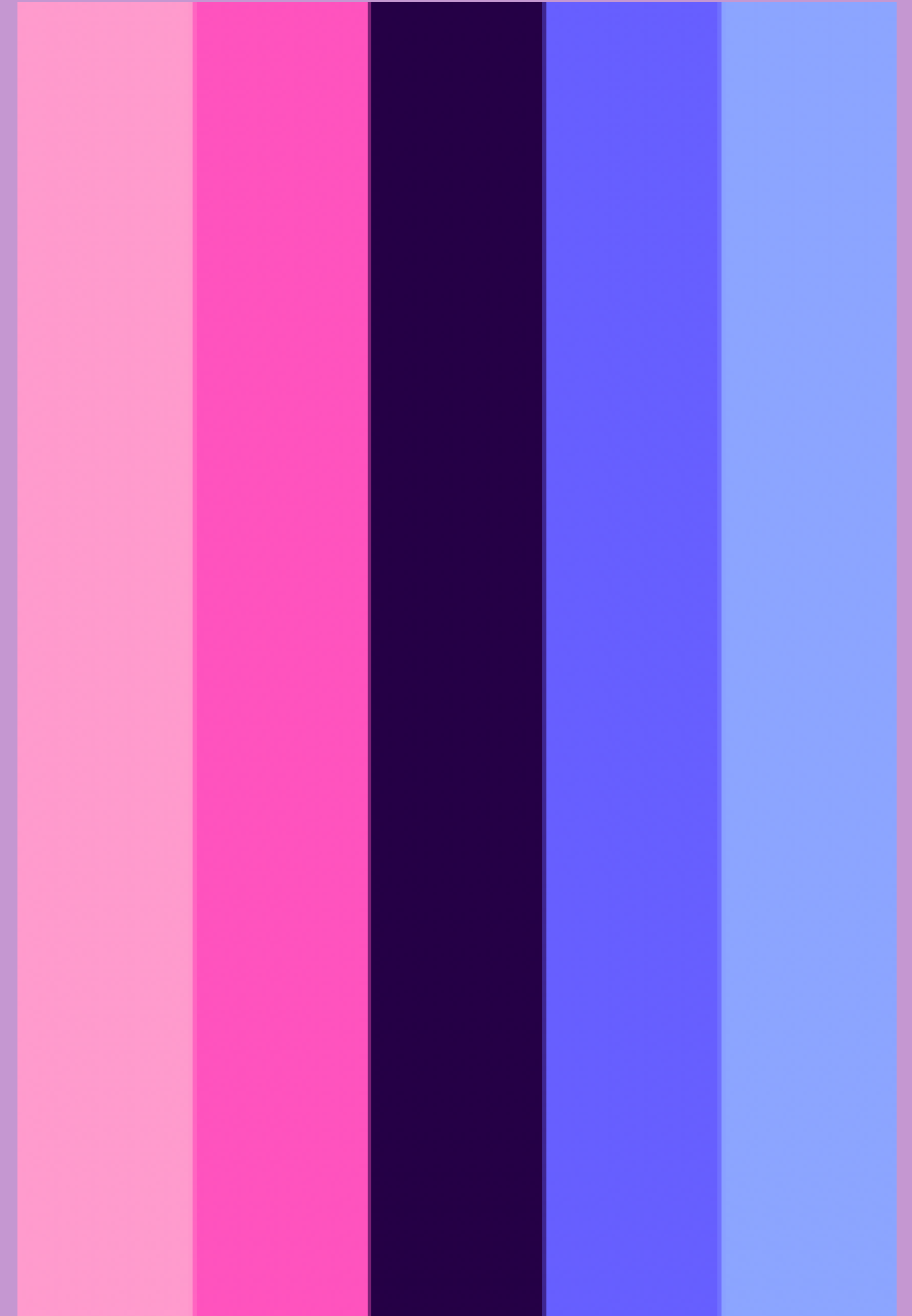
OMNISEXUAL FLAG

Date: 2015

Creator: @pastelmemer on Tumblr

The light pink and light blue represent the gender spectrum. The pink represents attraction to femininity and women. The blue represents attraction to masculinity and men. The dark purple represents attraction to people whose gender falls outside of the categories above.

Definition: Omnisexual is a sexuality that is characterized by attraction to all genders.





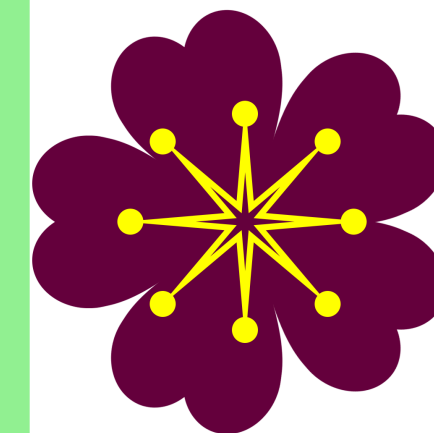
DIAMORIC FLAG

Date: 2016

Creator: @dionysiansuggestion on Tumblr

The diamoric flag has two green stripes on the top and bottom, representing non-binary individuals. In the middle it has a white stripe to match the achillean and sapphic flags, with a purple myrtle in the center. Myrtles were said to be sacred to Aphrodit(e/us) and Adonis, whose relationship may be said to be diamoric.

Definition: Diamoric is a sexuality umbrella term that refers to attractions experienced by nonbinary people.





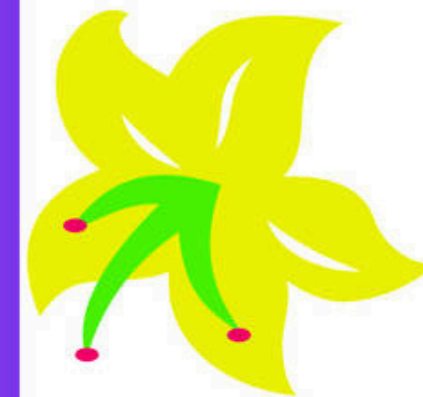
PLURALIAN FLAG

Date: Unknown

Creator: @dinolove453 on DeviantArt

The purple symbolizes neutrality, or combination of attraction to multiple genders (as pink and blue typically symbolize woman and man). The white middle symbolizes that neutrality further, indicating a lack of definitive preference or prioritization amongst one's attractions. The lily in the middle was chosen as the lily can reproduce with all other flowers of their species. The yellow of the lily's petals symbolizes, in addition, the inclusion of nonbinary genders in pluralian attraction.

Definition: Pluralian, sometimes known as multisexual or m-spec, is a sexuality umbrella term for those attracted to multiple genders.





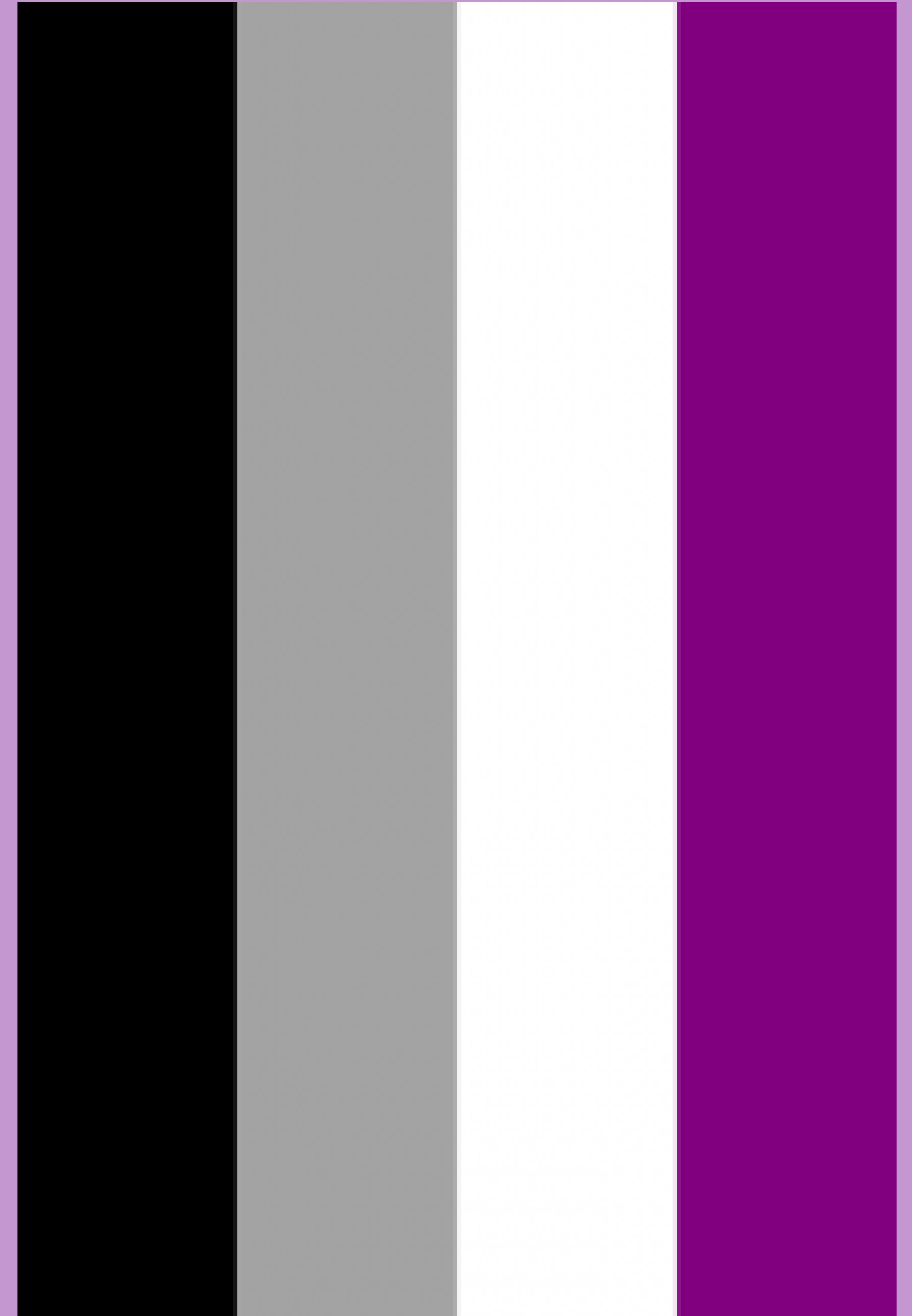
ASEXUAL FLAG

Date: 2010

Creator: AVEN hosted a contest, AVEN user @standup won

A black-to-white gradient was the historic color representing the asexual spectrum, with black denoting asexuality, grey denoting demisexuality and gray-sexuality, and white denoting sexuality. Purple used to border older symbols to represent “community” – it is now the last color in the flag and still represents the asexual community.

Definition: Asexual is a sexuality that is characterized by little or no sexual attraction.





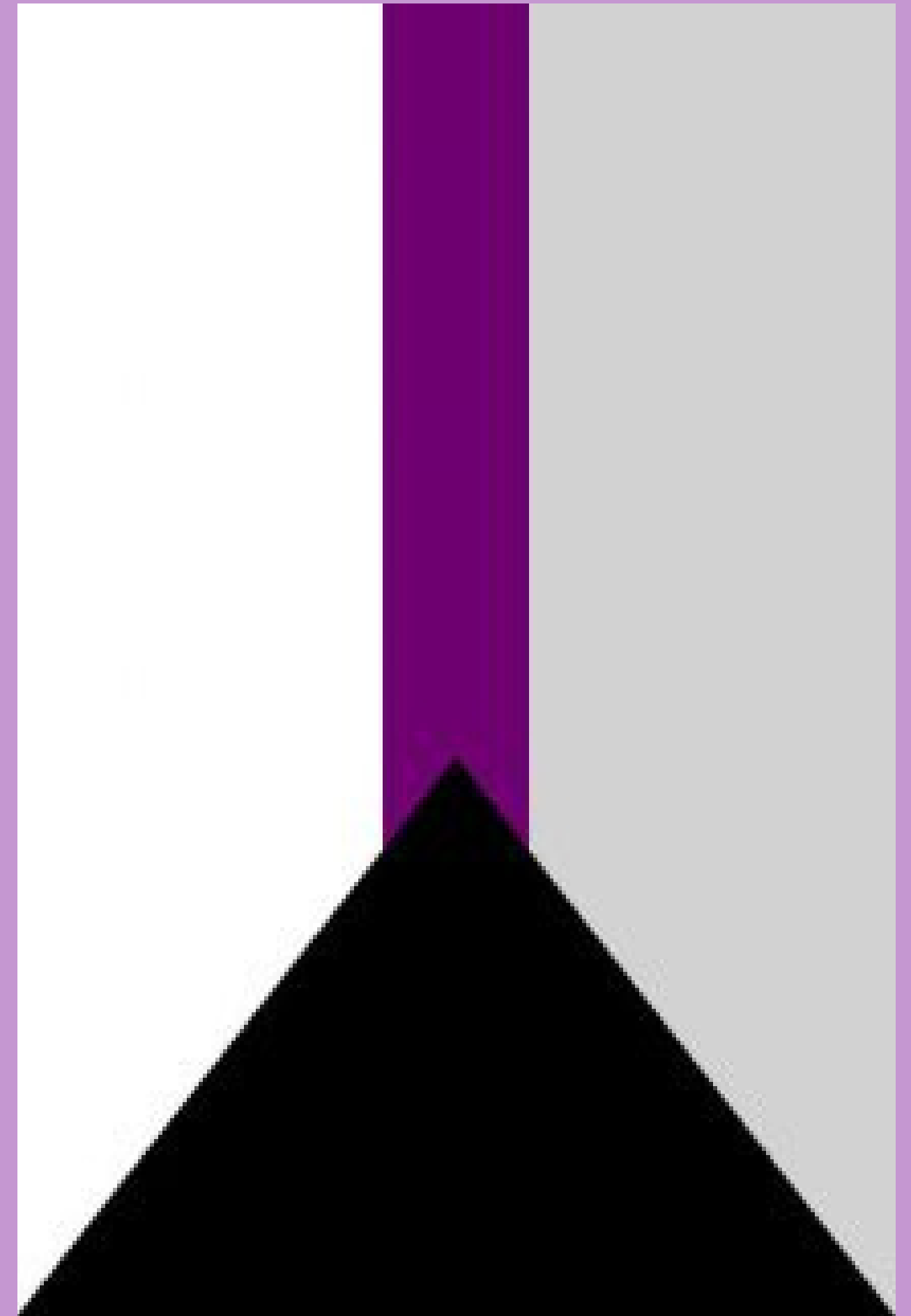
DEMISEXUAL FLAG


Date: 2006

Creator: AVEN user @sonofzeal

The same colors as the asexual flag are used, and they carry the same meanings.

Definition: Demisexual is a sexuality that is characterized by sexual attraction to someone only after a close emotional bond is formed.





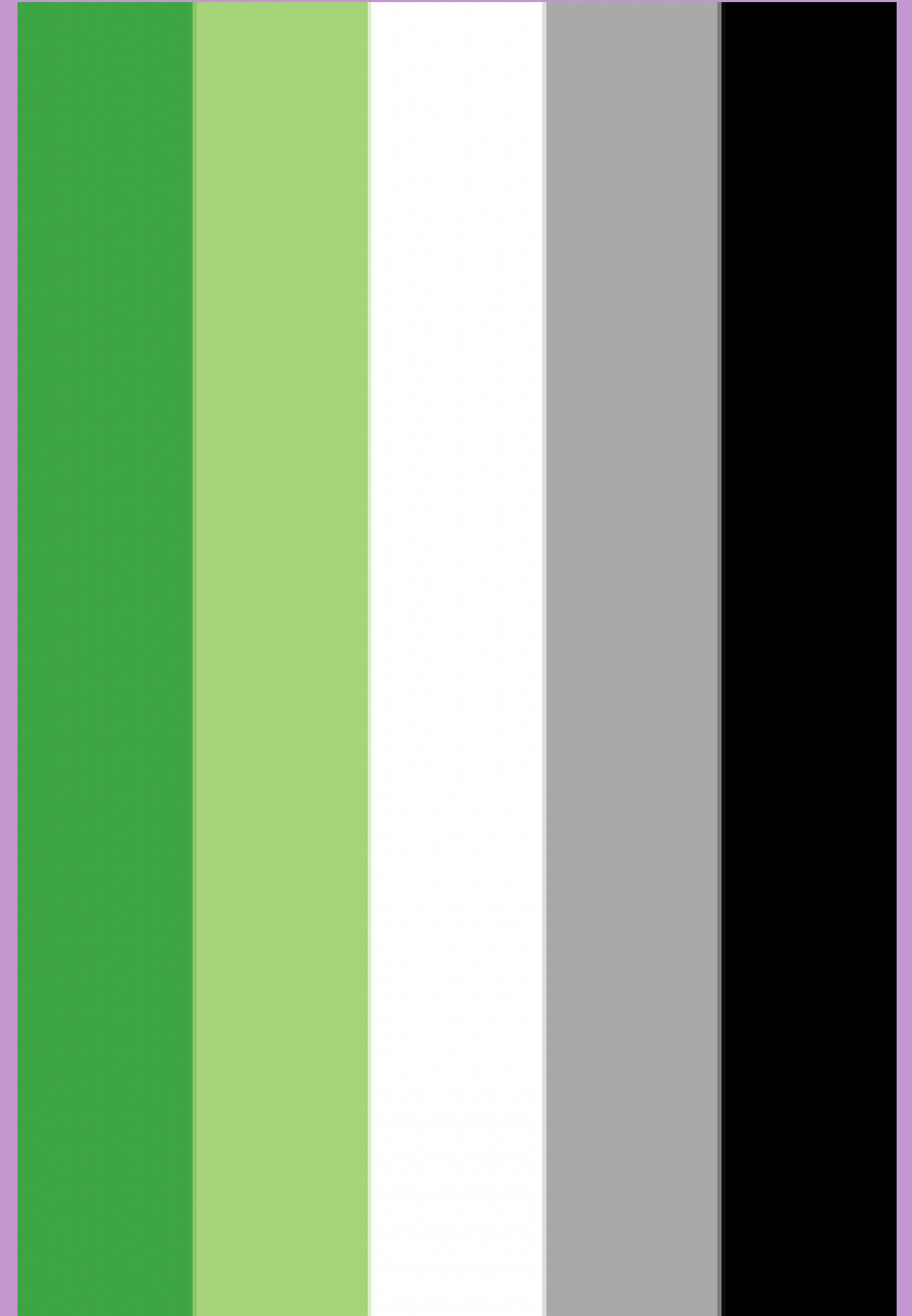
AROMANTIC FLAG

Date: 2014

Creator: @cameronwhimsy on Tumblr

The dark green represents a lack of romance. The light green represents aromanticism as a spectrum. The white represents platonic, aesthetic, and queerplatonic relationships. The gray represents demiromantic people. The black represents the sexuality spectrum.

Definition: Aromantic is characterized by little or no romantic attraction.





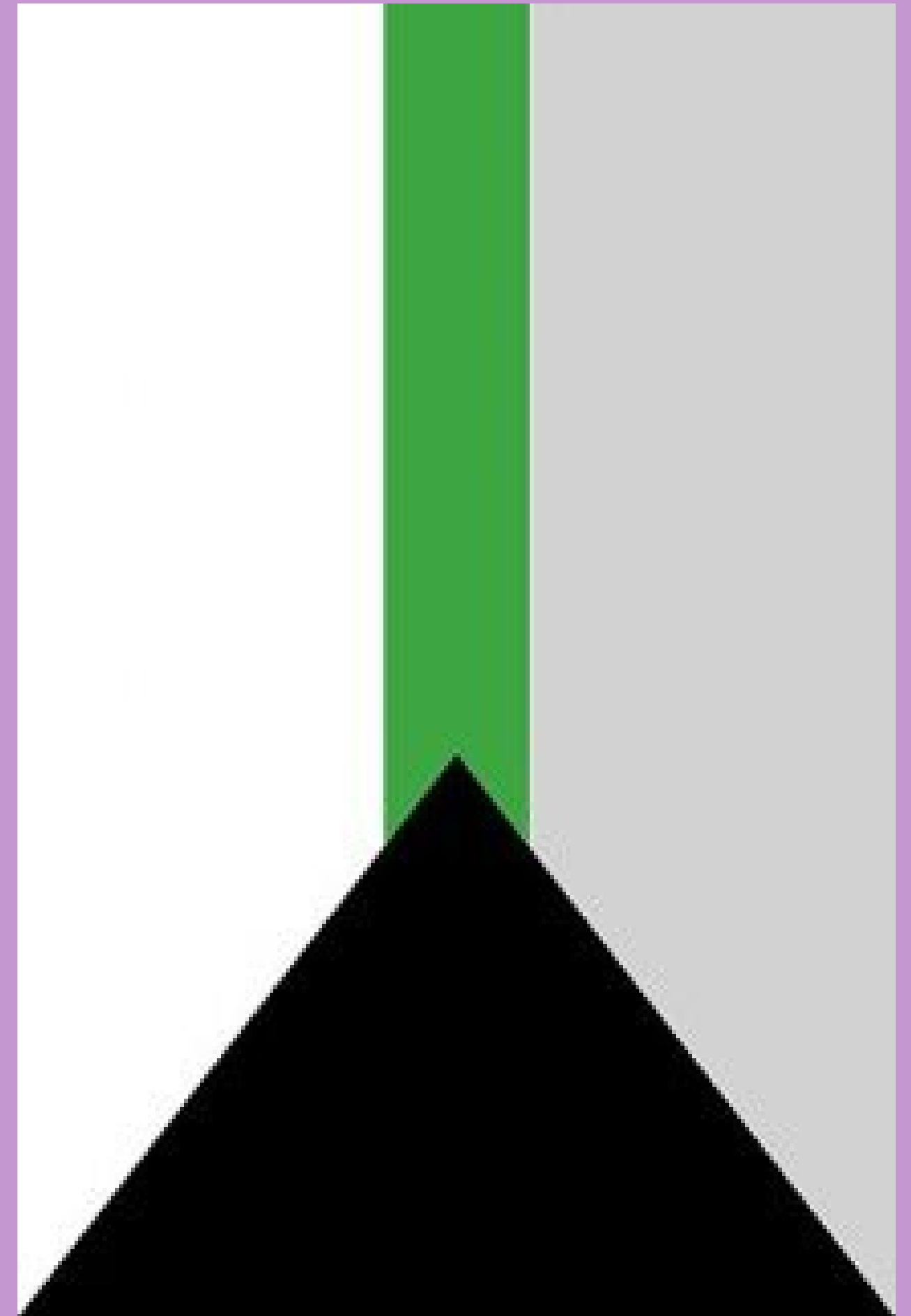
DEMIROMANTIC FLAG

Date: 2015

Creator: @QueerAsCat on Tumblr

The demiromantic flag is a modification of the demisexual flag and shares the same colors and meanings with the aromantic flag.

Definition: Demiromantic is characterized by romantic attraction to someone only after a close emotional bond is formed.





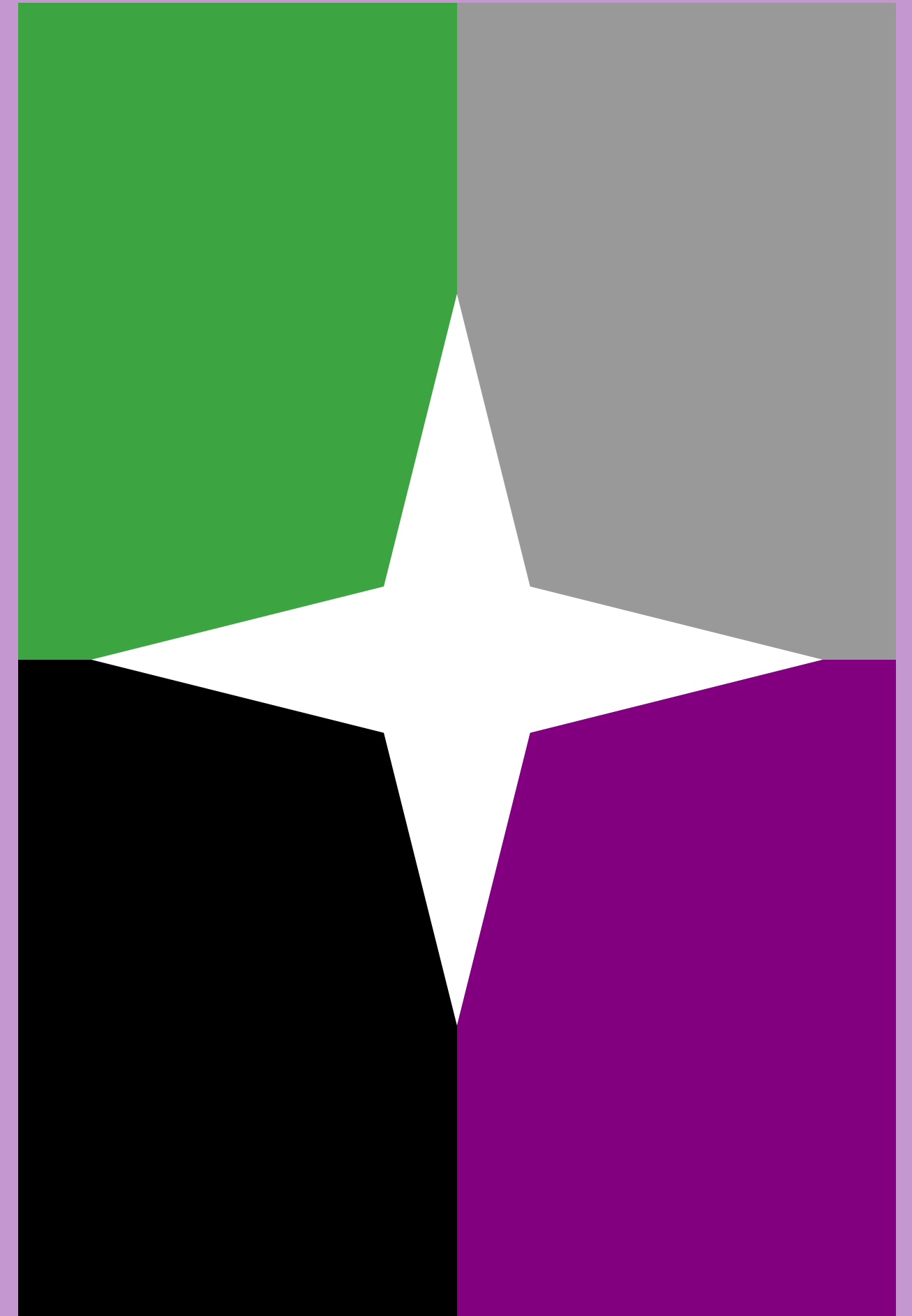
A-SPEC FLAG

Date: 2019

Creator: @the-moon-is-aroace on Tumblr

The compass rose in the middle symbolizes how individuals all experience romantic and sexual attraction in different ways, if at all. The green and purple are on opposite sides of the quadrant to show that asexuality and aromanticism are separate and independent identities, with the black and grey quadrants connecting them. Black represents the aroace community, and grey represents grey communities.

Definition: A-spec stands for asexual spectrum, which is an umbrella term that includes both the asexual and aromantic spectrums and the many orientations that these spectrums include.





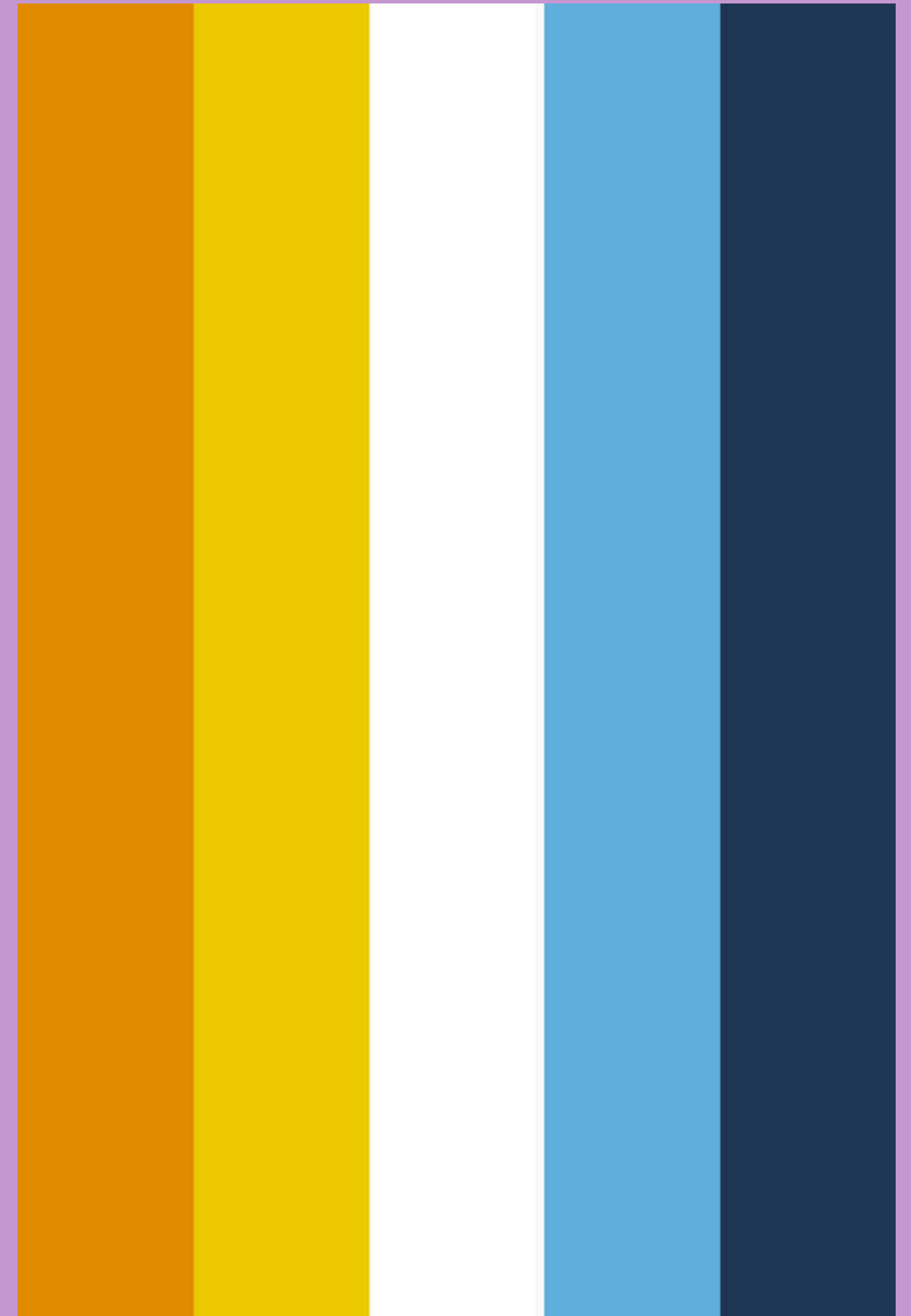
AROACE FLAG

Date: 2018

Creator: @Aroesflags on Tumblr

The white stripe represents wholeness, the yellow represents love and relationships, and the orange represents community. This is one of the most popular aroace flags, as its unique design shows that the aroace identity is something unique and is not just a combination of asexual and aromantic.

Definition: Aroace is short for aromantic asexual, and is a term used to describe those who identify as both aromantic and asexual.





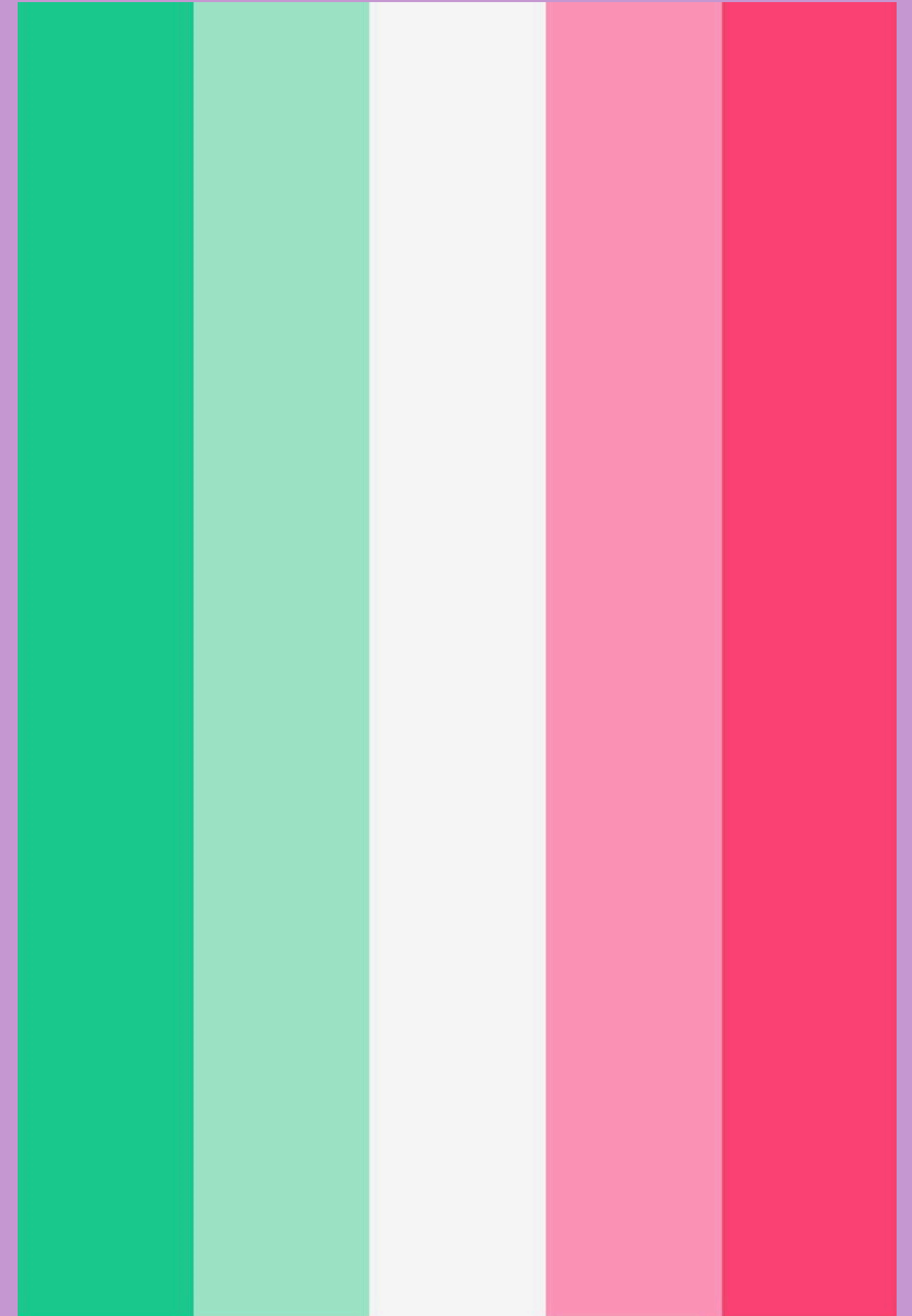
ABROSEXUAL FLAG

Date: 2013

Creator: likely a user on DeviantArt

Green represents a queer attraction, the fade to white is for the in-between stage of attraction shifting, and pink is for the actual shift itself. Also, the colors match that of watermelon, which could be a fun pun on the fluidity of the orientation.

Definition: Abrosexual is a sexuality that is characterized by attraction that is fluid or changes over time. This may include shifts in who you are attracted to or the intensity with which you feel attraction.





POLYAMORY FLAG

Date: 1995

Creator: Jim Evans

The blue represents openness and honesty of people involved in the relationship. The red represents love and passion. The black represents solidarity for having to hide a polyamorous relationship. The gold on the Pi symbol represents a valuable emotional attachment to a person's loved ones. Pi was chosen due to its nature as an infinite numeral. The Pi signifies the infinite options of partners available to polyamorous people.

Definition: Polyamory, otherwise known as consensual nonmonogamy, is the practice of having multiple intimate relationships or desiring to have multiple intimate relationships.



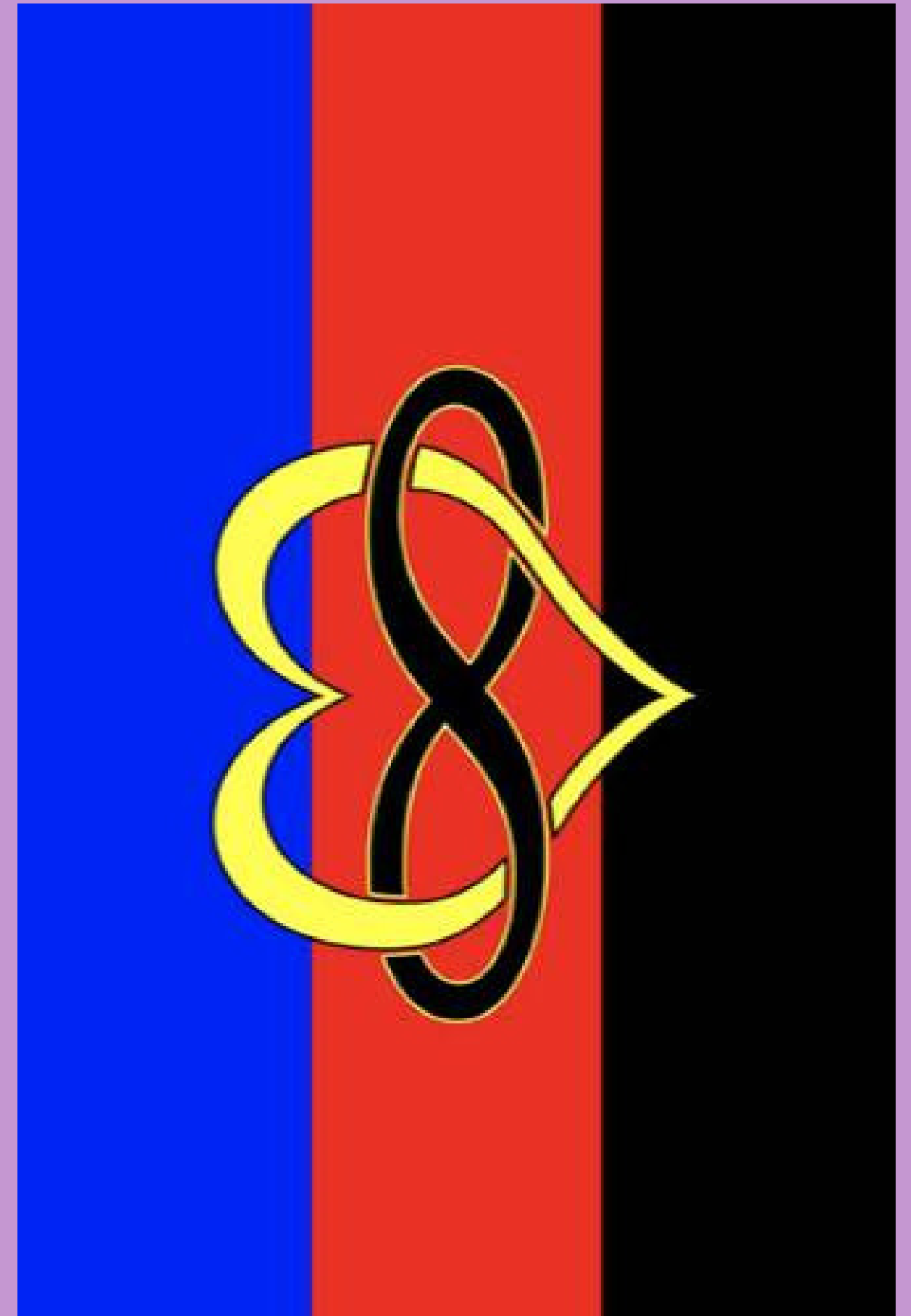


NEW POLYAMORY FLAG

Date: 2017

Creator: University of Northern Colorado Poly Community

This flag replaces the pi with the infinity hearts symbol, a common symbol of the polyamorous community. The color meanings are the same as the former Polyamory Flag.





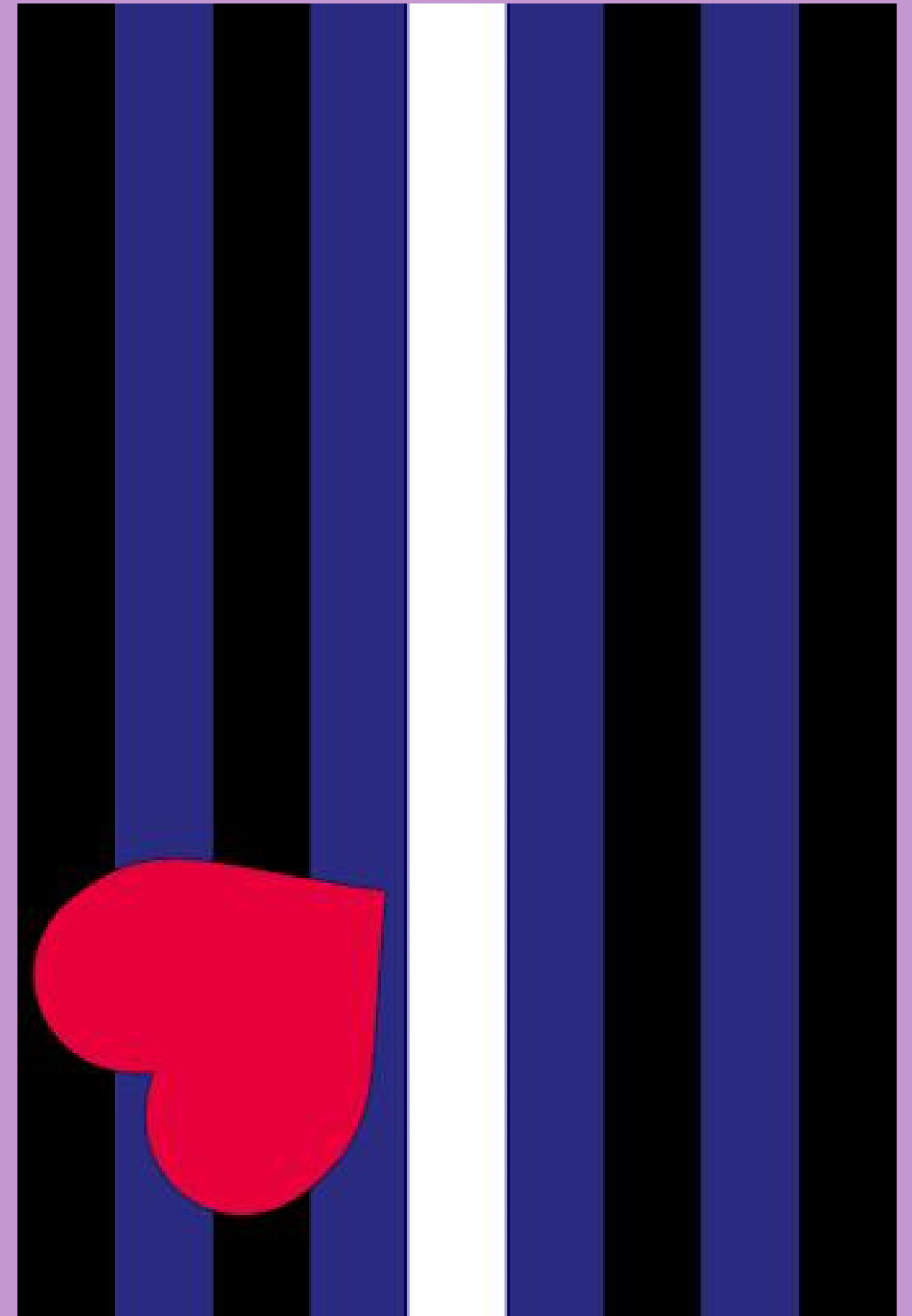
LEATHER FLAG

Date: 1989

Creator: Tony DeBlase

A black stripe represents dedication to discipline and self-control, while a blue stripe represents the community's commitment to openness and honesty. Finally, a white stripe symbolizes purity, with a heart in the corner of the flag representing love and connection with others.

Definition: Leather refers to the leather community and subculture, which denotes practices and styles of dress organized around sexual activities that involve leather garments.





BDSM FLAG

Date: likely shortly after 1995

Creator: Unknown

The BDSM flag was inspired by the Leather Pride flag and BDSM Emblem, specifically intended to represent the concept of BDSM Rights.

Definition: BDSM – bondage, discipline, dominance, submission, sadism, and masochism – is a variety of often (but not always) consensual erotic practices or roleplaying involving bondage, discipline, dominance and submission, sadomasochism, and other related interpersonal dynamics. This is a wide range of practices, so inclusion in the community and subculture is considered to be dependent on self-identification.





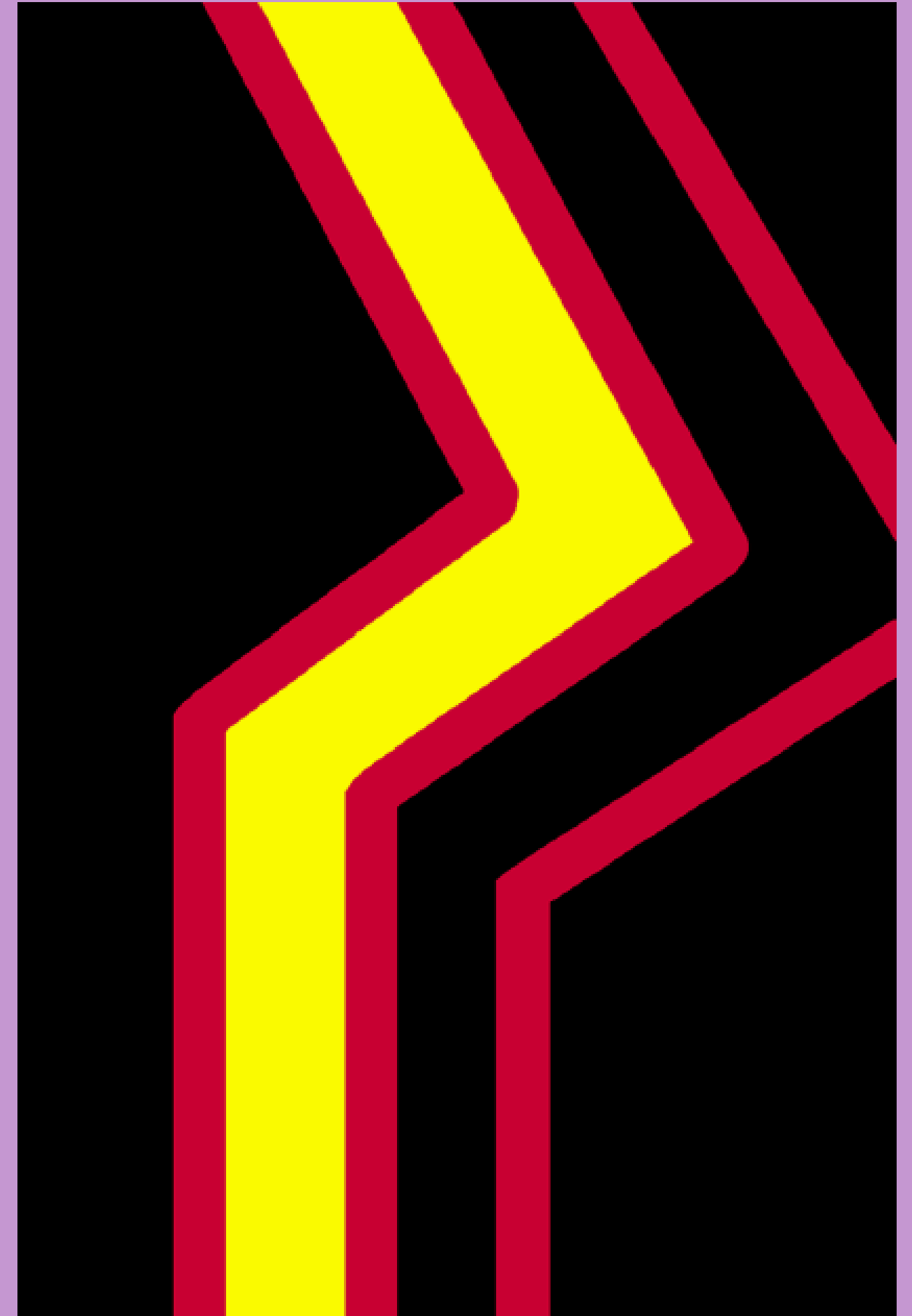
RUBBER FLAG

Date: 1995

Creator: Peter Tolos & Scott Moats

Black represents desire for the latex or rubber look and feel. Red represents passion for rubber and rubbermen. Yellow represents a drive for intense rubber play and fantasies. The kink in the bands of color represent that rubber fetish is a kink.

Definition: Rubber refers to the rubber community and subculture, which denotes practices and styles of dress organized around sexual activities that involve rubber or latex garments.





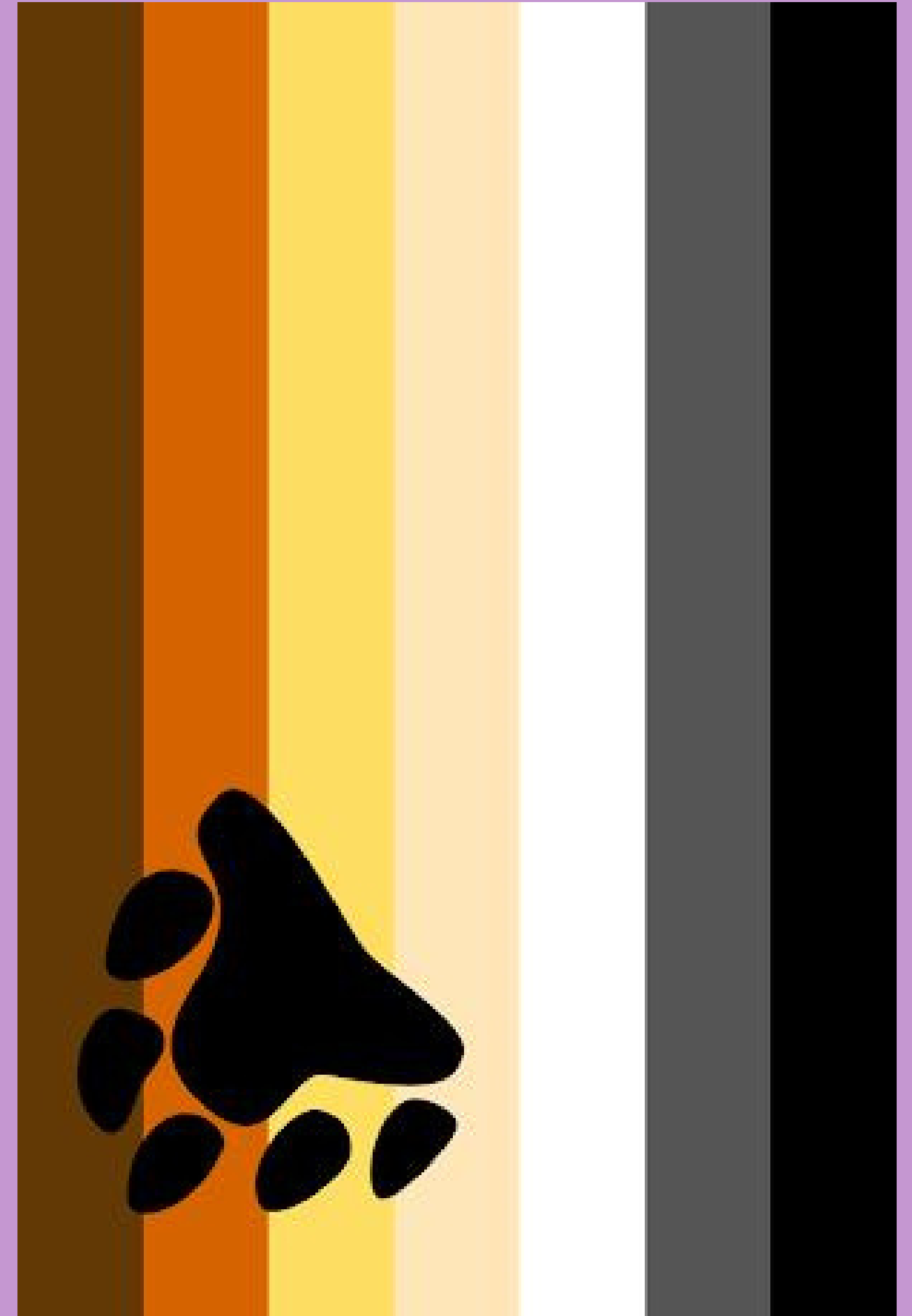
BEAR FLAG

Date: 1995

Creator: Craig Byrnes

The colors of the flag are meant to include the colors of the furs of animal bears throughout the world.

Definition: Bear refers to gay, bisexual, or any nonstraight identified man who has face and/or body hair and a body type considered large, bear-like, or cuddly. Bear is both an umbrella term and a subculture. It is often defined as an attitude or sense of comfort with natural masculinity and natural masculine bodies.





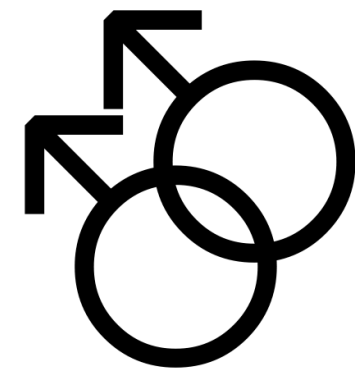
TWINK FLAG

Date: 2009

Creator: @kaisuteknon on Wikipedia

The interwoven pair of Mars symbols on the middle white stripe is widely used to signify homosexual males. These colors were adopted for their "soft" look, with pink representing femininity and yellow representing independence.

Definition: Twink refers to gay, bisexual, or any nonstraight identified man who has a young, more feminine, or smaller look. This may include traits like hairlessness, slimness, flamboyancy, and a youthful attitude. Twink is both an umbrella term and a subculture. It has also been used as a pejorative historically.





DRAG FLAG

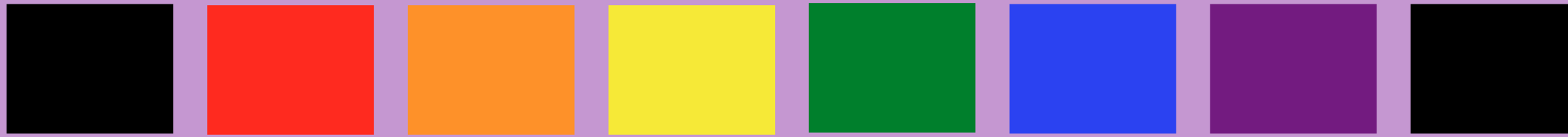
Date: 2016

Creator: Veranda L'Ni

Purple represents a passion for drag, white represents the blank slate of the body and face that change to become characters, pink crown represents leadership, pink stars represent the many forms of drag, blue represents self-expression and loyalty.

Definition: Drag is a performance type characterized by exaggerated gender expression for entertainment. This is a subculture and art form.





FURRY FLAG

Date: 2018

Creator: @LutisArts on Wikimedia

The rainbow represents the large component of the culture that identifies as LGBTQ+. The paw is a common symbol of furry identity. It is unattributed to any specific animal.

Definition: Furry refers to a subculture interested in anthropomorphic animal or animal-like characters. This may include a variety of interests and activities - from art to roleplaying to sex acts to community.





DISABILITY FLAG

Date: 2019

Creator: Ann Magill & the disability community

The new version straightened the strips and muted the colors. The stripes were also reordered to accommodate people with red-green colorblindness. Each color stripe has a meaning: red is physical disabilities, gold is neurodiversity, white is undiagnosed and invisible disabilities, blue is emotional and psychiatric disabilities, and green is for sensory disabilities. The faded black background mourning and rage for victims of ableist violence and abuse. The diagonal band cuts across the walls and barriers that separate the disabled from normative society, also representing light and creativity cutting through the darkness.

Definition: Disability is an ability status, described as having different capabilities than what is culturally expected.





AUTISTIC PRIDE FLAG

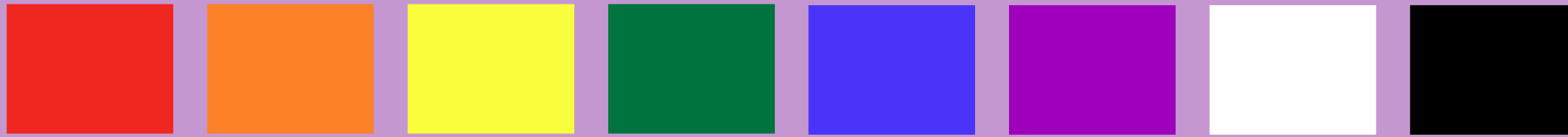
Date: 2020, 2016

Creator: Autistic Empire, pastel neurodiversity symbol by @MissLunaRose12 on Wikimedia

The infinity symbol represents neurodiversity, the rainbow represents the pride movement. Gold is used by autistic advocates as the chemical symbol for gold is Au.

Definition: Autism is a neurotype that is one identity within the neurodivergent category.





ALLY FLAG

Date: late 2000s

Creator: Unknown

The letter 'A' in the flag represents ally or advocate. The black and white stripes represent the straight flag. Rainbow represents all people under the umbrella of the LGBTQ+ community.

Definition: Ally is defined as someone that actively advocates and supports marginalized communities - in this case LGBTQ+ people, while being themselves part of the dominant social category - in this case straight/heterosexual and cisgender.

