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**Social Studies**

**Emblems of Grenada**

**The Grenada National Flag**

Anthony C. George designed the National Flag of Grenada which was officially adopted on February 7, 1974. The same date of Grenada's independence. Designer George is from Soubise, St. Andrew, Grenada. The National Flag of Grenada was designed as an emblem of the nation.

The Color Red: Represents fervor, courage, vitality, and burning aspiration. The red border represents dedication to preserve harmony and unity of spirit.

The Color Green: Symbolizes fertility of the land, lush vegetation and agriculture.

The Color Gold/Yellow: Gold is the color of wisdom; the warm sunshine and people of Grenada, the islands in the sun.

The Nutmeg: Represents the economic crop of Grenada, and Grenada as the Isle of Spice. Note that the core of the nutmeg in the official National Flag is the color orange, not black. The nutmeg is within the left side green triangle on the flag.

Six of the [7] Gold Stars stand for the six parishes of Grenada, listed below in alphabetical order: St. Andrew, St. David, St. George, St. John, St. Mark, St. Patrick.

Historically, the center star represented the capital city, St. George's.

The flag was designed during Gairy-time. A symbol of the Grenada United Labour Party [GULP], Gairy's party, was the star; thus, the prevalence of stars. Reports are that designer Anthony George said his original design contained only one star in the middle, but the Flag Committee wanted the six additional stars added, following the request of Sir Eric.

## **THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Creswell Julien O.B.E (Order of the British Empire), affectionately known as 'Cressie', one time Mayor of the town of Grenville is the author of Grenada's National Pledge. He was an educator, and former principal of the St. Andrew's Anglican Secondary School (S.A.A.S.S)

### **The pledge**

I pledge allegiance to my flag and to the country for which it stands, with Liberty, Justice and Equality for all.

I pledge also that I shall defend and uphold, the Honour, Dignity and Laws and Institutions of my country.

# **GRENADA NATIONAL ANTHEM**

In 1974, Hail Grenada was adopted as the National Anthem of Grenada. The words are by Irva Merle Baptiste and the music is by Louis Arnold Masanto.