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What is the meaning of the colours used in the PNG flag?

Black, red and yellow are traditional colors which are found in Papua New Guinean art and clothing.

The yellow bird, a stylised bird of paradise, is culturally significant to Papua New Guineans and in full flight it represents freedom and the country's birth as an independent nation.

The five stars symbolise the constellation the Southern Cross, representing the stars Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta and Epsilon, which is smaller because it doesn't shine as brightly as the other stars.

The Southern Cross represents the country's geographical position in the world and its link to Australia, which also incorporates the Southern Cross on its flag.

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