



The Prinsevlag was the flag of the independentist Nederlanders, inspired by the colors of Prince William of Orange, during the Eighty Years War (1568-1648). Is therefore a historic Nederlander flag.

It is thought this flag was also used by [Van Riebeeck](#) in southern Africa. But Jan van Riebeeck wasn't a friend of the Boers, he was an oppressor of their ancestors. The Boer nation had its genesis on the [Cape frontier](#), after the migration of its ancestors (they were called "Trekboers" because on the Cape frontier became nomadic pastoralists), who were unwilling to submit themselves to the dictatorship of the Dutch East India Company (Vereenigde Oostindische Compagnie - VOC), in search of a land to be free.

[The Prinsevlag was never used by the Boers](#), on the contrary it was used in 1927 as the basis for the [new flag](#) of the [Union of South Africa](#), the empire put together by [international capitalism through British military force](#), after having defeated and incorporated the free Boer Republics.