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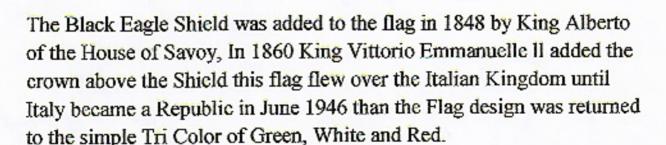
A Nations flag is a stirring sight as it flies in the wind, its bright colors and its striking designs stand for the Country's land, its People, Its Government and it ideals. A Country's flag can stir people to joy to courage and to sacrifice. Many men and women have died to protect their National Flag from dishonor and disgrace. Every Citizen should know how to honor its National Flag. The American Flag should always be displayed to the right of any other flag like the Italian Flag.

Today I would like to tell you about a cookbook that inspired me to research how by turning or adding to the Italian Flag it becomes the Flag of other nations. The cook book was written by my husband Russ's God Child John Pappalardo. He has written three cookbooks. The Italian Kitchen, the Sicilian Kitchen and La Dolce. I sold the cookbook for him many years ago. Everyone said the cover did not look like the Italian Flag. The book looks like the Flag of Hungary. I asked John where the recipe for Hungarian Galosh is

By turning the Italian Flag like this it is the Flag of Hungary.



The Italian Flag is Tri Color Green White and Red.







If you add an eagle on a green olive branch it becomes the Mexican Flag.

If you turn the Italian Flag around it represents the Ivory Coast.

Now if I add a red circle to the center of the White the flag become the Flag of Niger and African Nation.

If I hold the Italian Flag like this and add a yellow Lion it becomes the Flag of Iran.

Have you heard of Kuwait, by adding Black Strip to the Flag it becomes the Flag of Kuwait.

This Texas Flag flew over the Alamo with the date 1824 showing the date of Mexican Constitution.

In our opening Pledge each meeting we as Italian Americans promise to honor the Italian Flag and promise to respect it and the land of our ancestors.

So when you look at John's cook book lay it on its side and you will know that is does represent the Italian Flag and Italian and Sicilian Recipes.