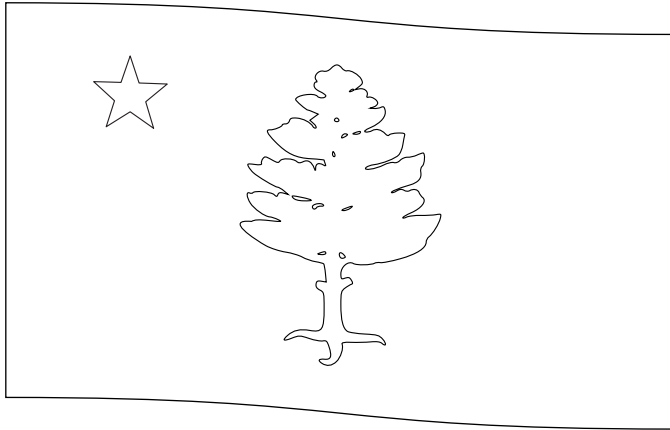


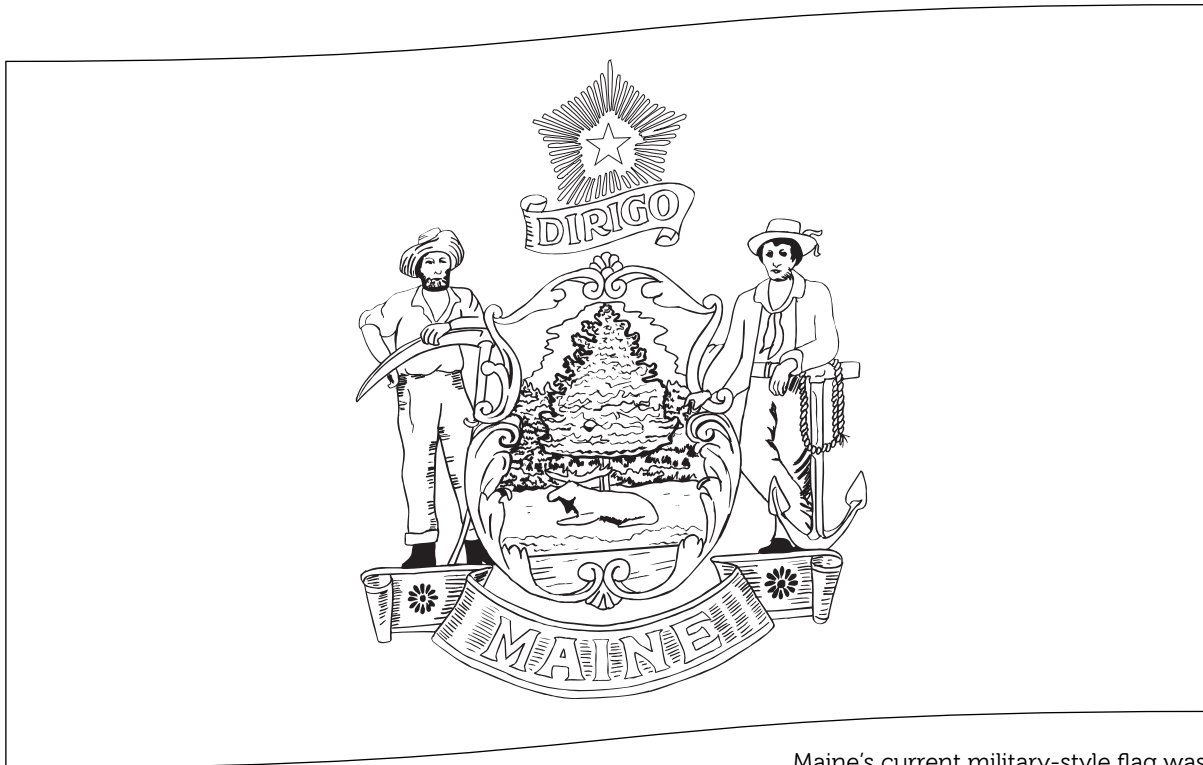
Maine State Flag Coloring Page

Maine was the 23rd state admitted to the Union in March of 1820. Maine has had two flags: The original, featuring a pine tree and a star, and the current flag, which features Maine's coat of arms. **Color them in below, then turn the page over to make your own flag!**

What does your flag represent? What would your motto be?



The original 1901 state flag featured a green pine tree, a symbol of New England and freedom, in the center with a blue North Star on a cream colored background. You may see this flag around the state today, and Mainers may soon vote on whether to return to the original design!

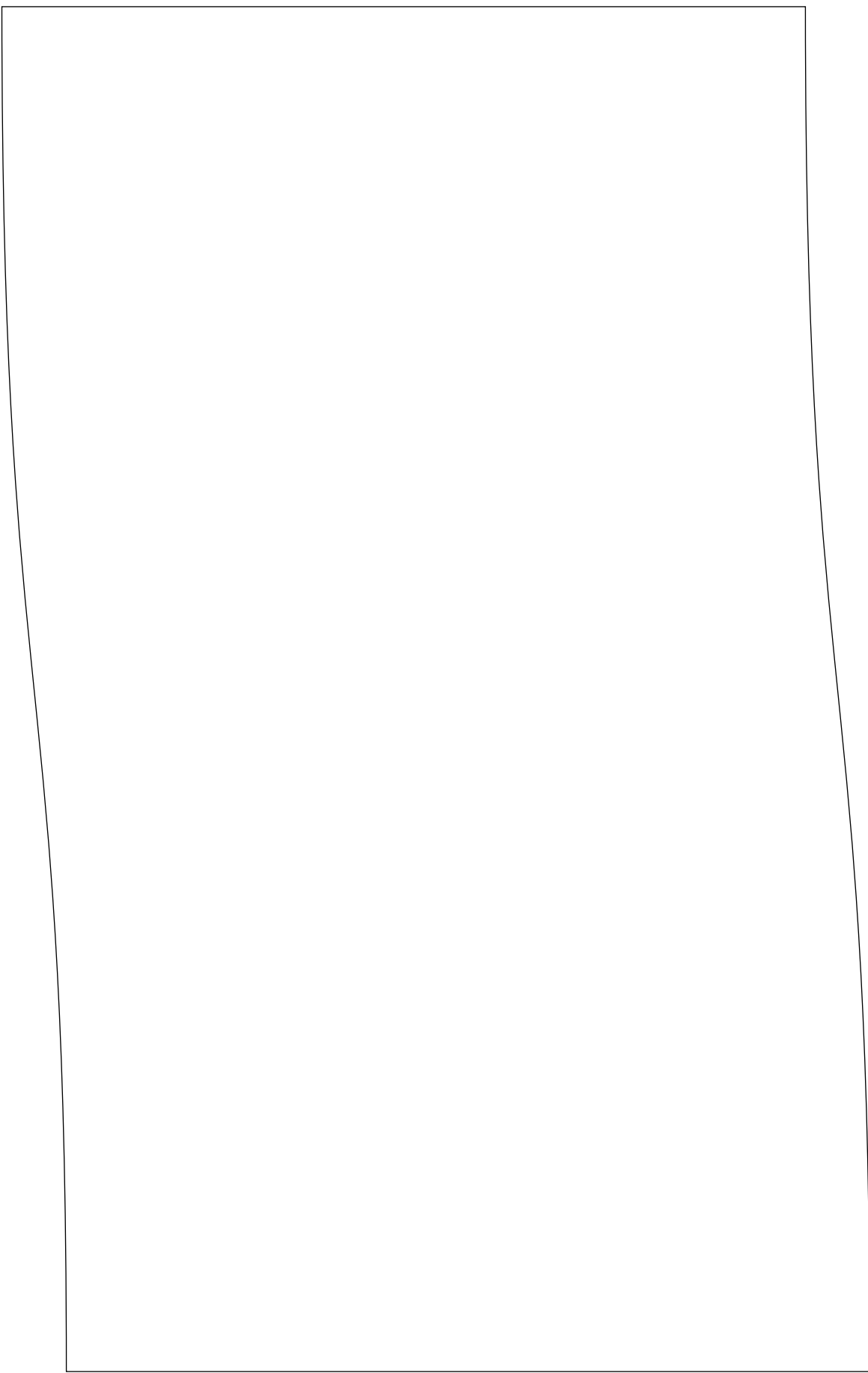


Maine's current military-style flag was approved in 1909 and features Maine's coat of arms against a dark blue background. In the center of the shield there's a moose resting beneath a pine tree. A farmer and a sailor standing on either side of the moose represent Maine's connection to agriculture and the sea. The North Star represents the state's motto: Dirigo, which means "I Lead" or "I Direct" in Latin.

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