



Bitty Bull wants to wish each of you a happy St. Andrew's Day, Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year!
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St. Andrew, Patron Saint of Scotland

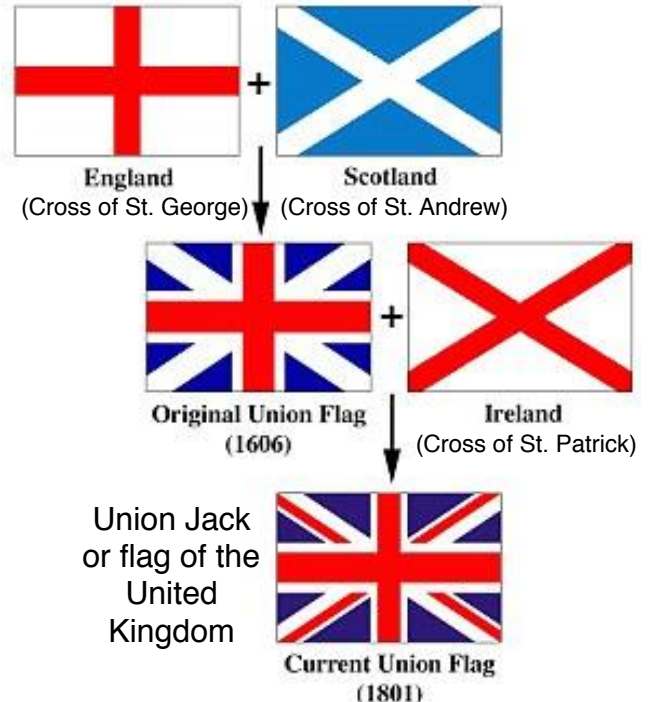


In the New Testament of the Bible, Andrew, a disciple or follower of Jesus Christ, is described as a fisherman and the brother of Simon Peter. In the book of John (6:8) Andrew is the one that told Jesus about a little boy who was willing to share his small lunch of two fish and five little loaves of bread. Jesus then took the lunch, thanked God for it, and multiplied the lunch to feed a crowd of more than five thousand people. After the death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus into Heaven, Andrew and the other disciples traveled and preached. In later years, Andrew was martyred (killed for his beliefs) by crucifixion. Other sources say that he was crucified on a cross shaped like an X.

Over a thousand years ago, legends say that a Scottish king, almost defeated in battle, looked into the blue sky and saw the cross of Andrew. After winning the battle, Saint Andrew and his cross (Saltire) became the symbol of Scotland. Other stories say that the bones of Andrew were carried to Scotland and a tiny piece of one is in St. Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh. Today, the flag of Scotland is blue like the sky with a white X to represent the cross of Andrew. St. Andrew's Day is celebrated with feasting on **November 30th**. Flags are flown from many buildings and many businesses are closed.

What does it mean?

During the holiday season many Scottish children "**cry up the lum**" or shout their wishes up the chimney for Santa to hear. In other places, children mail a letter to Santa or write a wish list and then burn it, sending the ashes up the chimney to Santa.



Help Santa read his Christmas wish list by unscrambling each toy.

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oradi
detdy aber
clokbs
zuzple
gartiu
holusedol

baby doll
skateboard
radio
teddy bear
blocks
puzzle
guitar
dollhouse



Christmas Pomander Ball

Capture the wonderful smell of Christmas! These balls are easy to make and can be used as decorations in a bowl, ornaments on a tree, or a gift to give to someone special.

Ingredients:

- orange or any type of citrus fruit
- whole cloves (can be purchased in bulk)
- sharp object for poking small holes into skin of fruit (pin, ice pick, straightened paper clip, etc)
- pen for drawing pattern onto fruit
- tray or mat for catching fruit juice

Optional items:

- ribbon
- spices like cloves, cinnamon, and ginger
- plastic bag large enough to shake spices onto fruit



1. Dot a pattern or design onto the fruit with your pen.
2. Poke holes into each dot (about 1/4" into the skin of the orange).
3. Push a whole clove into each hole.
4. As fruit dries out the fragrance will be released. These balls can be enjoyed for a long time.



Additional Steps:

1. Pour a couple of tablespoons of spices into a bag. Shake the orange around in the bag to cover the bare spots of the fruit with the spice. The ball will look brown all over. The added spice will intensify the fragrance.
2. If you want to wrap the orange in ribbon to hang on a tree or to have just as decoration, then leave a path around the orange with no cloves.

These two photos are taken from <http://www.instructables.com/id/Pomander-ball-Christmas-gift>



Make your own gift tags to tie to your pomander balls. You can copy these tags onto card stock, decorate, and cut out.

