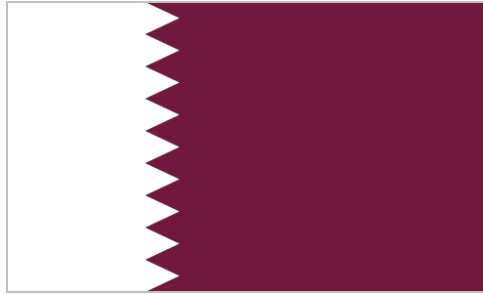


Qatar



The flag of Qatar is maroon with a broad white serrated band on the hoist side. The serrated band has nine white points indicating that Qatar is the 9th member of the “reconciled Emirates” of the Persian Gulf. The two colors are significant as well. The white color reflects the internationally recognized symbol of peace and the maroon color represents the bloodshed during several wars, particularly those in the second half of the 19th century.