## The History of the Pride Flag

1970 1974





stayed in San Francisco, free to



Gilbert's life changed

when he met



Inspired, Baker began working on a flag. He dyed the fabric himself and, with the help of volunteers, stitched together eight stripes of brilliant color into a huge banner that spoke Healing Sunlight Magic

1978

Paramount Flag Company would mass produce the flags. Alas, fuchsia fabric was not readily available, and Paramount began selling a seven-striped version.



November 27



Grief and rage galvanized San Franciscans, especially

1979

1988

2017





The Gay Freedom Day committee removes the indigo stripe to make an even six colors, which, when split, were flown on alternate sides of Market St. This flag was proudly flown outside many homes and businesses.





West Hollywood

John Stout sued landlords for the right to display his Rainbow Flag on the balcony of his apt. He won, as have many others since who have defended their right to display the Rainbow Flag.



"The flag is an action - it's more than just a cloth and the stripes. When a person puts the Rainbow Flag on their car or their house, they're not just flying a flag. They're taking action.



In June 2017, an alternate version with black and brown stripes added was unveiled at Philadelphia City Hall, intended to be more inclusive of black and brown individuals across the gender and sexuality spectrums.







