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Hi T\_Wake, Wikipedia says:

Once more, you show that deriving all your knowledge from Wikipedia is your downfall.

The Flag of England is the St George's Cross.  
The legend of Saint George slaying the dragon dates from the 12th century and Saint George became the patron saint of England in the 13th century.

Yet the cross was not the flag of England.

The red cross appeared in the crusades and is one of the earliest known emblems representing England.

This is incorrect. The flag under which the English Kings fought in the Crusades was not the Cross of St George.

The flag is thought to be derived from that of the Knights Templar.  
[citation needed]

It was not used as the flag of "England" during the time of the Crusades.

Can I suggest you move away from using Wikipedia as your source of all knowledge and research the actual flags and banners carried by the crusaders. At no stage was there a "Cross of St George" representing "England."

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Another theory as to the origins of the flag is that the flag of Genoa was adopted by England and the City of London in 1190 for their ships entering the Mediterranean to benefit from the protection of the powerful Genoese fleet. [citation needed]  
[Wikipedia.ORG/wiki/Flag\\_of\\_England](http://Wikipedia.ORG/wiki/Flag_of_England)

"Citation Needed" is a clue.

The Union flag first appeared under James VI/I. Wikipedia says:

Well, at least you have learned to stop calling it the Union Jack.

Did you read my post?

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