

FLAG OF BENAWARA



According to the authors, a group self-called Tagoror Benawara, on 15th october 2007 the *Flag of Benawara*, with the aim of representing the island of La Palma, claiming at the same time the island's aboriginal name instead of the one that identifies it since the Castilian conquest.

It is described as a rectangular flag, made up of three vertical stripes of the same size, light green, black and navy blue, from hoist to fly. In the central black stripe, a yellow spiral line and above it the name BENAWARA in white letters

The design is explained this way:

The light green stripe represents the naturale, the agriculture and the cattle breeding. The central black stripe represents the island's people, the aboriginal tribe of Aceró, the last to be subjected, and its chief Tanausú, as well as all who fought and fell for the island since the times of the conquest to our days. The blue stripe represents the sea, the water flowing in the ravines and the sky. The spiral line represents the god Abora (the Sun for the aboriginals), and symbolizes the umbilical cord between the present-day inhabitants and their history and the first inhabitants of the island. *Benawara* or *Benahoare* is the original name of La Palma, and its white color in the flag represents the snow-capped Roque de Los Muchachos mountain.