

Star Army Hinomaru

The *hinomaru*, (日の丸), is the symbol of the [Star Army of Yamatai](#). Hinomaru means “circle of the sun.” It is part of the the Star Army's [faction visuals](#) and is visible on all [uniforms](#), [starships](#), and most [equipment](#).



History

During the [Second Draconian War](#), power armor came into widespread use in the Star Army. At the time, the Star Army lacked a distinctive logo and the insignia of the Mindy Power Armor development project was selected to become the Star Army's symbol, as it represented the Star Army's might.

In [YE 38](#), the Star Army began using a new version of the hinomaru that used a [Ke-M2-4 Series "Mindy" Armor](#). The new version is called the “Hinomaru, Type 38.” It is slowly beginning to appear on Star Army equipment and uniforms.

In [YE 41](#), a slightly altered version of the Type 38 began to be used for uniform insignia patches where the Mindy armor was slightly enlarged to allow the patches to more clearly show details. This was called the Type 41. Additionally, a “STAR ARMY” tab was introduced for uniforms. Together these made up the [Star Army Insignia Set, Type 41](#). It is not used on ships and equipment, only uniforms.

Design

The Star Army hinomaru is a red circle with a white border and thin black outer border. The Star Army's logo [defaces](#) a crimson hinomaru with a stylized [Ke-M2 "Mindy" Series of Power Armor](#).

Variations

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Image	Variant	Notes
	Type 22	Original version (YE 22) with transparent background  
 邪馬台の星軍隊	Type 22 Stencil	Monochrome version for stencils
	Type 22 Shiny	Shiny version for metal pins and badges 
	Type 22 Special Edition	Gold Mindy variant for 2014 Patches sent to donators
	Type 22 Rikupat	Subdued patch for RIKUPAT camouflage uniforms 
	Type 38	New hinomaru design - standard
	Type 38 Simplified	Simple color version for IRL patches etc.

Image	Variant	Notes
	Type 38 Shiny	Shiny border and shaded version for metallic pins, etc 
	Type 38 Lineart	Monochrome version for black and white documents
	Type 38 Stencil (black)	Monochrome version for stencils
	Type 38 Stencil (white)	Monochrome version for stencils
	Type 41	Simplified version used for patches  

OOC Notes

The Type 22 design was created by Star Army's admin, [Wes](#). The Type 38 Hinomaru art is by [Jim Francis](#) and was commissioned by [Fred](#) in 2016.

The Star Army hinomaru is also used as the main symbol of the Star Army website, appearing as a logo and favicon.

IRL Photos

Here's some examples of the Star Army Hinomaru appearing in real life:



Comparison to Japanese Hinomaru

Star Army's logo is not Japanese. The [Yamatai Star Empire](#) is anime-inspired more than Japan-inspired. The traditional 🇯🇵 [hinomaru](#) used by 🇯🇵 [Japan](#) is red, while the one used by the Star Army of Yamatai is a darker crimson color (#800000) and the Star Army one has a black outer border.

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