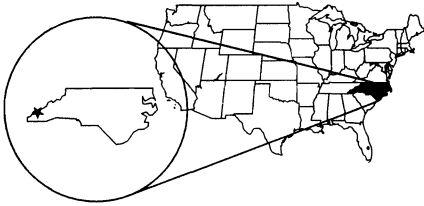


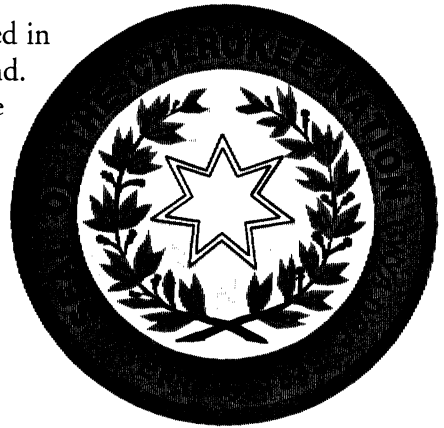
CHEROKEE, EASTERN BAND



The Eastern Band of Cherokee lives along the border of North Carolina and Tennessee. With a population over 7,000, the Eastern Band of Cherokee is the largest federally-recognized Native American tribe in the eastern United States. They use the same seal as their Oklahoma cousins

[see Cherokee] with minor artistic modifications. This is the sole instance where two bands of the same tribe employ the identical symbol, though separated by hundreds of miles and governed by different executive and legislative branches. It unifies the Cherokee people symbolically, if not geographically.

The flag places the tribal seal, edged in green, on a white (or buff) background. While the Cherokee in Oklahoma use a central star with each point divided half-orange, half-yellow, the Eastern Band uses a solid yellow star with a double edging of black outlines. The star and wreath lie on a light blue circle, rather than gray, with a band around it which is red rather than orange. 🍷



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