



Pride of place

Description

“And for the indignity and degradation thus inflicted on a proud people and a proud culture, we say sorry.” This is a quote from the official [Apology to Australia’s Indigenous Peoples](#) announced by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd in February 2008. A signed copy of the apology is on display at Parliament House in Canberra.

Pride is one of the positive mood states identified by psychologists, and is in the company of interest, enthusiasm, being inspired, and excited, and feeling strong, alert, determined, and attentive. On the “negative” scale are moods such as scared, nervous, upset, distressed, irritable, hostile, ashamed, jittery, afraid, and guilty, which presumably includes *contrition*.

I’m travelling, so there’s no time to elaborate. But here are some pictures from a capital city that foregrounds pride.





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Notes

- Connections: pride, proud, [uprightness](#), identity, nationhood, pride and prejudice, seven deadly sins, Tower of Babel, out and proud, black pride, hubris, reconciliation, pride of place.

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