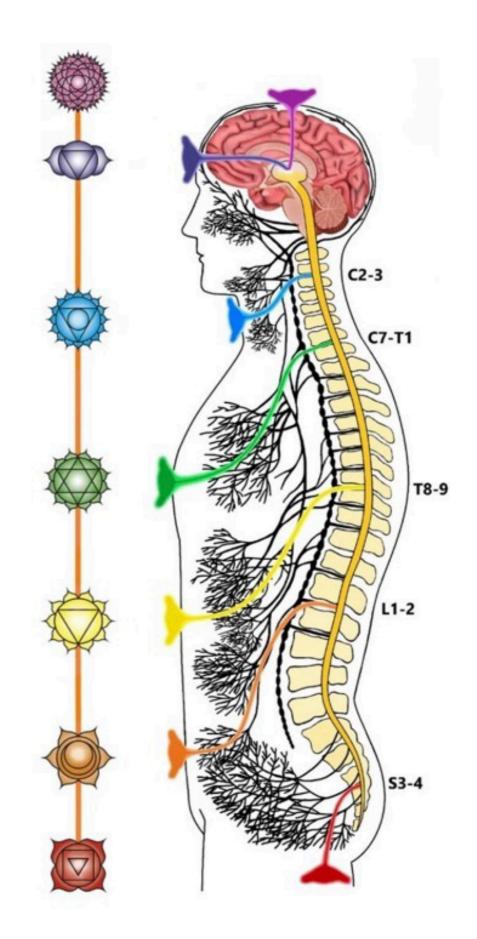


The Chakras

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CHAKRAS

- Vortexes of Subtle Energy
- Activated by Interaction of Opposite Energies of Ida and Pingala
- Tridimensional shapes of circulating energy
- Each represents levels of understanding and human experience, related to degrees of attachment and identification



IDA originates at the left nostril

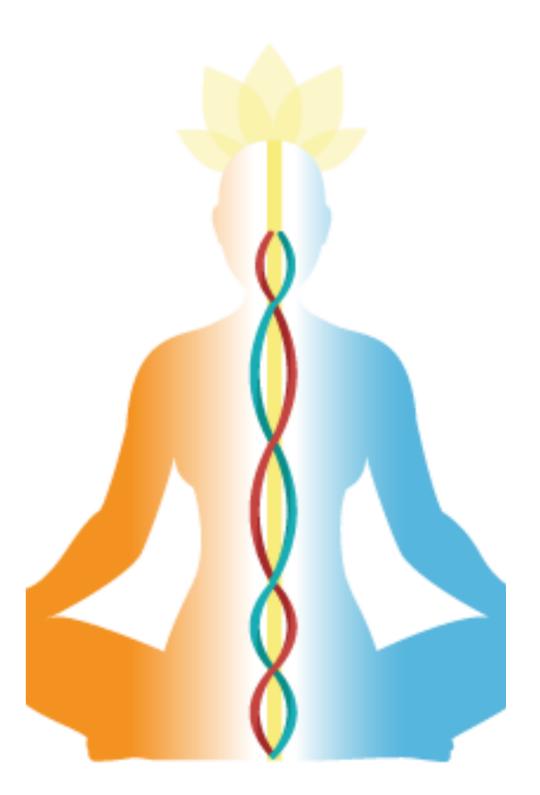
Female/Moon quality to prana (life force)

Cool, calm, serene

PINGALA originates at the right nostril

Male/Sun quality to prana

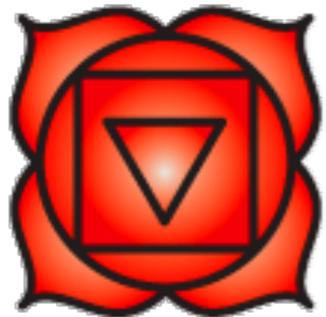
Hot, active, passionate



MULADHARA

First Chakra

Color: Red Element: Earth (Prittvi) Seed Mantra: Lam / EK Petals: 4 Animal: Elephant Sense: Smell Organs / Gland: Organs of elimination, Adrenals Qualities: Groundedness, stability, security, trust Right: To Survive; Security Talent: Acceptance





SVADISTHANA

Second Chakra

Color: Orange
Element: Water (Apas)
Seed Mantra: Wam / ONG
Petals: 6
Animal: Crocodile
Sense: Taste
Organs / Gland: Kidneys, Reproductive Organs and Glands
Right: To feel and have pleasure
Talent: Creativity

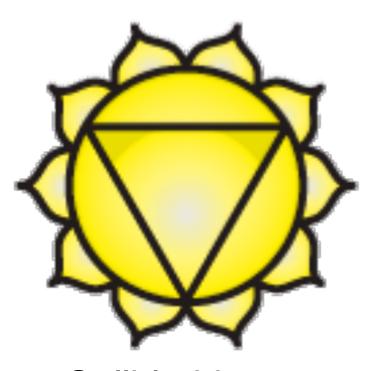




MANIPURA

Third Chakra

Color: Yellow Element: Fire (Agni) Seed Mantra: Rang / KAR Petals: 10 Animal: Ram Sense: Sight Organs / Glands: Spleen, Pancreas, Liver, Gallbladder, **Digestive Organs** Qualities: Connection to self, Self esteem, Personal power Right: To act and to be an individual Talent: Commitment / Self Empowerment





ANAHATA

Fourth Chakra

Color: Green Element: Air (Vayu) Seed Mantra: Yam / SAT Petals: 12 Animal: Antelope Sense: Touch Organs / Gland: Thymus, Heart, Lungs Qualities: Love, compassion, neutral mind, freedom Right: To love and be loved Talent: Compassion





VISSUDHA

Fifth Chakra

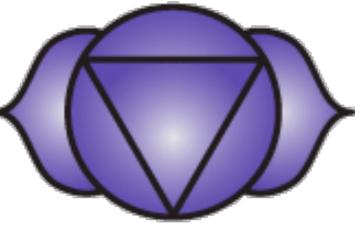
Element: Akasha (Ether) **Color: Bright Blue** Seed Mantra: Ham / NAM Petals: 16 Animal: White Elephant Sense: Hearing / Sound Organs / Gland: Thyroid, Parathyroid, Mouth, Throat Quality: Communication, Expression, Elevation. Power of the word, power to bless. Right: To be heard Talent: Truth



AJNA

Sixth Chakra

Color: Indigo
Seed Mantra: Aum / SIRI
Deities: Shiva / Shakti
Petals: 2
Sense: Clairvoyance, telepathy
Organs / Gland: Brain, Pituitary
Qualities: Concentration, Understanding
Right: To see (the unseen)
Talent: Intuition, Imagination, Wisdom

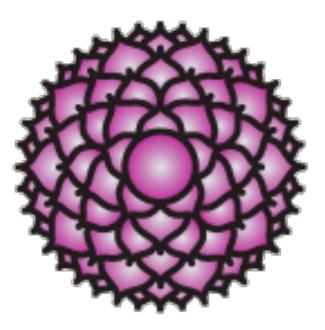




SAHASRARA

Seventh Chakra

Color: Violet Seed Mantra: Naad / WAHE Petals: 1,000 Sense: Multidimensional and extrasensory senses; empathy; oneness Gland: Pineal Qualities: Oneness, Spiritual union Right: To know (the unknown) Talent: Boundlessness





AURA

In Kundalini Yoga, we recognize an 8th chakra

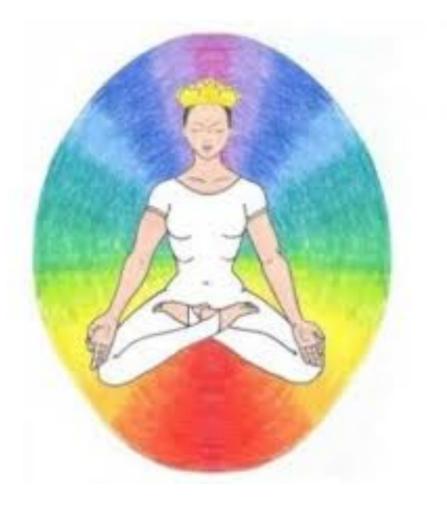
Color: white, the color we most often attribute to light itself.

Seed Mantra: GURU

Element: Pure light

Quality: Power of projection, Power of protection Right: To shine bright; to be a beacon of light

Talent: Radiance



Kundalini Yoga for the Chakras

Muladhara: Spinal Flex, Crow Squats, Standing poses, Body Drops, Archer Pose, Life Nerve Stretch, Mulbhand, walking barefoot on earth, being in nature. Kriya for elimination, Kriya for lower back,

Svasdisthana: spinal grinds (circles), flexes, Frogs, sat kriya, lunges, crow squat, pelvic lifts, any posture where the legs are opening wide / hip openers as well. Bath, ocean, water.

Manipura: breath of fire, sat kriya, pumping of stomach, stretch pose, leg lifts, bow pose, sufi grinds.

Anahata: spinal flexes, bear grip with moving elbows up and down like a sea saw, side twists, cobra, bow, wheel pose (back bends), chanting to open the heart, arms up at 60 degrees, hands flat up (meaning wrists flexed) to activate the meridian to the heart, Venus Kriyas. Movement, dancing!

Vissudha: spinal flexes, twists, shoulder shrugs, chopping wood, neck rolls, camel pose, neck turns. CHANTING

Ajna: : tuning in as we do at the beginning of class with the mantra: ong namo guru dev namo, focusing at the third eye center which we do throughout the class, meditation, bowing exercises, standing forward bends (inhaling up and exhaling down)

Sahasrara: : chant ONG NAMO GURU DEV NAMO 3 to 31 minutes. We begin each kundalini class by chanting this mantra three times: tunes us into our highest frequency as we call upon infinite creative consciousness and divine wisdom within); Certain meditations from the kundalini yoga tradition where we focus our awareness up at the crown chakra. Kriya for pineal gland, Kirtan Kriya, Bowing.

Aura: Ego Eradicator, Lions Paw Kriya Meditation, moving meditations which include flapping the arms, raising them up and down in various ways, "I Am" meditation.

Suggested Readings:

Eastern Body, Western Mind by Anodea Judith

Anatomy of the Spirit by Caroline Myss

The Eight Human Talents by Gurmukh Kaur Khalsa

Wheels of Life by Anodeah Judith

