

The Qualities of the Five Buddha Families

WEST

Buddha family: Padma
Color: red
Element: fire
Klesha: desire/passion/attachment
Primary function: relating
Enlightened activity: magnetizing
Discriminating primordial awareness

SOUTH

Buddha family: Ratna
Color: yellow
Element: earth
Klesha: pride
Function: consuming/offering
Enlightened activity: enriching
Primordial awareness of equality

CENTER

Buddha family: Buddha
Color: white
Element: space
Klesha: ignorance
Primary function: being
Enlightened activity: space pervades all
Primordial awareness of the
Dharmadhatu

NORTH

Buddha family: Karma
Color: green
Element: wind
Klesha: jealousy/envy
Primary function: doing
Enlightened activity: destroying
Primordial awareness that
accomplishes all actions

EAST

Buddha family: Vajra
Color: blue
Element: water
Klesha: anger
Primary function: thinking/knowing
Enlightened activity: pacifying
Mirrorlike primordial awareness