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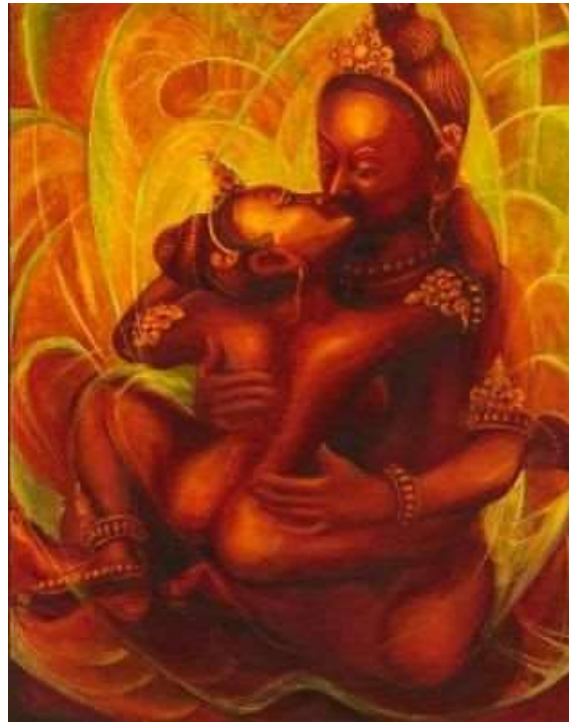
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C. Tantra's Treasure of Rakta Tare Recommended Reading

Lesson	Volume	Chapters	Lesson	Volume	Chapters
1 st	A-na-pa-na-sa-ti Sut-ta		24 th	8 th of 14	43 rd – 48 th
17 th	1 st of 14	1 st – 6 th	25 th	9 th of 14	49 th – 54 th
18 th	2 nd of 14	7 th – 12 th	26 th	10 th of 14	55 th – 60 th
19 th	3 rd of 14	13 th – 18 th	27 th	11 th of 14	61 st – 66 th
20 th	4 th of 14	19 th – 24 th	28 th	12 th of 14	67 th – 72 nd
21 st	5 th of 14	25 th – 30 th	29 th	13 th of 14	73 rd – 78 th
22 nd	6 th of 14	31 st – 36 th	30 th	14 th of 14	79 th – 83 rd
23 rd	7 th of 14	37 th – 42 nd			

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II. Naropa's FIRST yoga of Tummo



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A. Inner Heat Yoga

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1. Navel Wheel Resting

{*Bindu in Sanskrit, and Tiklé in Tibetan*}

Observant inhalation: Gut **Ah** flame...

Relaxing exhalation: **relaxing!** one set of sixteen breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases
count four breaths upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.

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2. FIRST climbing

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a. Left Foot destination

Observant inhalation: *Gut flame to Left foot...*

***Relaxing** exhalation:* *relaxing!* *one set of one breath*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases*
*count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:*
lower set of creases.

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b. Right Foot destination

Observant inhalation: *Gut flame to Right foot...*

***Relaxing** exhalation:* *relaxing!* *one set of one breath*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases*
*count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:*
middle set of creases.

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c. Heart destination

Observant inhalation: ***Gut flame to Heart...***

Relaxing** exhalation:* ***relaxing!

one set of one breath

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases*

*count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:*

higher set of creases.

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d. Left Hand destination

Observant inhalation: ***Gut flame to Left hand...***

Relaxing** exhalation:* ***relaxing! *one set of one breath*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases*
*count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:*
tip.

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e. Right Hand destination

Observant inhalation: ***Gut flame to Right hand...***

Relaxing** exhalation:* ***relaxing! *one set of one breath*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases*
*count one breath upon the right: **ring** finger's:*
lower set of creases.

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f. Throat destination

Observant inhalation: *Gut flame to Throat...*

Relaxing exhalation: *relaxing!* *one set of one breath*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases*
*count one breath upon the right: **ring** finger's:*
middle set of creases.

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g. Crown destination

Observant inhalation: ***Gut flame to Crown...***

Relaxing** exhalation:* ***relaxing! *one set of two breaths*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases*
*count one breath upon each of the right: **ring** finger's:*
higher set of creases and tip.

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h. Crown resting

Observant inhalation: **Grin to Crown** *Ham...*

Relaxing exhalation: **Relaxing!** *one set of eight breaths*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases*
*count one breath upon each of the right: **middle** and **index** finger's:*
lower, middle, higher sets of creases and tips.

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B. Central Channel Yoga

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1. FIRST sinking

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a. Throat destination

Observant inhalation: *Grin to Throat* **Om...**

***Relaxing** exhalation:* *relaxing!* *one set of one breath*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases*
*count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:*
lower set of creases.

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b. Heart destination

Observant inhalation: *Grin to Heart **Tam**...*

Relaxing exhalation: *relaxing!* *one set of one breath*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases*
*count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:*
middle set of creases.

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c. Navel destination

Observant inhalation: *Grin to Gut* **Ah...**

Relaxing exhalation: *relaxing!*

one set of one breath

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases*

*count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:*

higher set of creases.

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d. Pelvic destination

Observant inhalation: **Grin to (Tip **Bë** or Root **Dë**) ...**

Relaxing exhalation: **relaxing!** *one set of one breath*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases*
*count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:*
tip.

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e. Pelvic resting

Observant inhalation: **Grin to (Tip **Bë** or Root **Dë**) ...**

Relaxing exhalation: **Relaxing!** *one set of twelve breaths*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases*
*count one breath upon each of the right: **ring, middle, and index** finger's:*
lower, middle, higher sets of creases and tips.

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2. SECOND climbing

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a. Navel destination

Observant inhalation: *Grin to Gut* **Ah...**

Relaxing exhalation: *relaxing!*

one set of one breath

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:
lower set of creases.*

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b. Heart destination

Observant inhalation: *Grin to Heart **Tam**...*

Relaxing exhalation: *relaxing!*

one set of one breath

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip***

*count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:*

middle set of creases.

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c. Throat destination

Observant inhalation: *Grin to Throat* **Om...**

***Relaxing** exhalation:* *relaxing!*

one set of one breath

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:
higher set of creases.*

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d. Crown destination

Observant inhalation: *Grin to Crown Ham...*

Relaxing exhalation: *relaxing!*

one set of one breath

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count one breath upon the right: **little** finger's:
tip.*

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e. Crown resting

Observant inhalation: *Grin to Crown **Ham**...*

Relaxing exhalation: *relaxing!* *one set of twelve breaths*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip***
*count one breath upon each of the right: **ring, middle, and index** finger's:*
lower, middle, higher sets of creases and tips.

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C. Spontaneous Awareness Meditation through WATCHING the Play of Mind and RELAXING into its Release

{*Sati Passaddhi in Pali, Mahamudra or Mahasandhi in Sanskrit, and
Trekchö_d in Tibetan Dzogchen*}



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Watching the Play of Mind

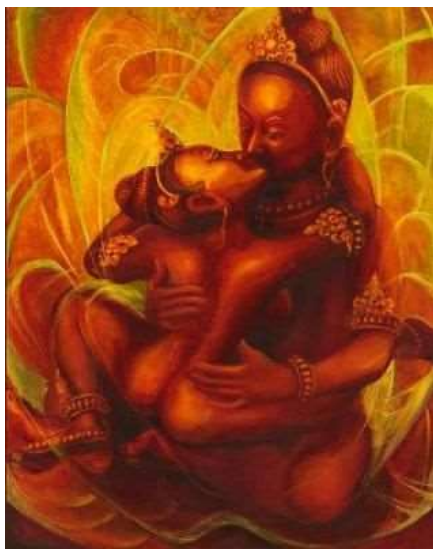
Observant inhalation: *Notice this...* {This...

Relaxing exhalation: *relaxing!* yes!} one set of sixteen breaths
 slide left thumb over tip of left little finger until comes to rest upon the **higher knuckle**
 count the four breaths upon the right: little, ring, middle, and index finger's:
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D. The Concise Union of Love & Letting-go

*{ Metta in Pali, Vajrayana in Sanskrit, and
Tokal in Tibetan Dzogchen }*



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Circumstantial Love

Observant inhalation: *Boon for each lot...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *relaxing!*

One set of four breaths
*slide left thumb further down back of left little finger until comes to rest upon the **middle knuckle***
*count the four breaths upon the right **little** finger's:*
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Physical Love

Observant inhalation: *Health for each form...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *relaxing!*

One set of four breaths
slide left thumb over tip of left little finger until comes to rest upon the **higher knuckle**
count the four breaths upon the right **ring** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Interpersonal Love

Observant inhalation: *Love for all speech...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *relaxing!*

One set of four breaths
slide left thumb over tip of left little finger until comes to rest upon the **higher knuckle**
count the four breaths upon the right **middle** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Mental Love

Observant inhalation: *Wise for each mind...*

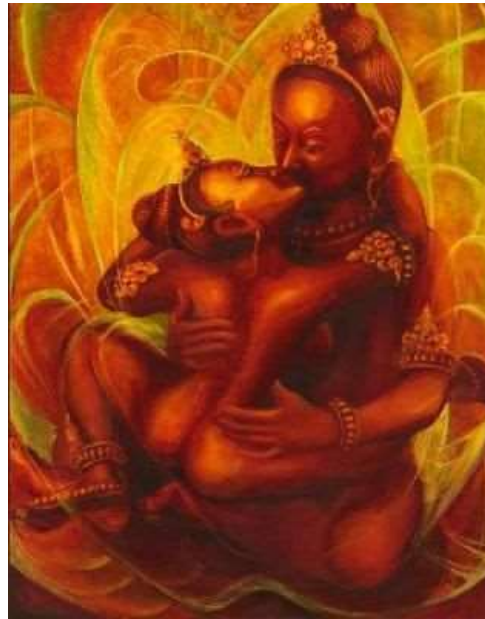
Relaxingly exhalation: *relaxing!*

*One set of four breaths
slide left thumb over tip of left little finger until comes to rest upon the **higher knuckle**
count the four breaths upon the right **index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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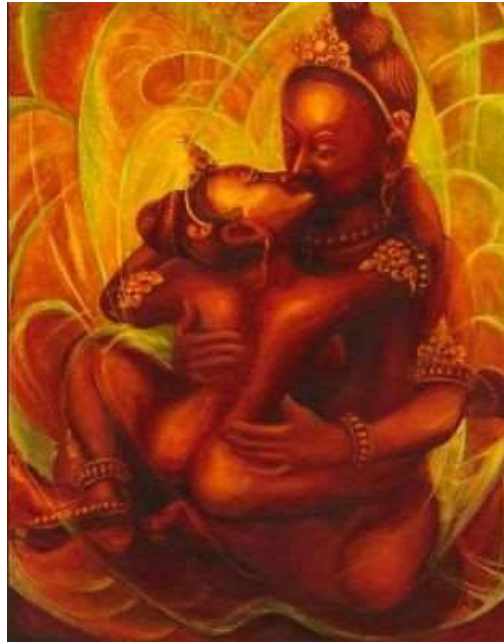
III. Naropa's SECOND yoga of Empty Body

{*Tantra = Sutra + Mantra + Metaphor*}



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A. Love Mantra Contemplation



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Circumstances' Love

Observant inhalation: *Boon for each lot!*

Relaxingly whisper:

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

One set of four breaths

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases*

*count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bodies' Love

Observant inhalation: *Health for each form!*

Relaxingly whisper:

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

One set of four breaths

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases*

*count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Communications' Love

Observant inhalation: *Love for all speech!*

Relaxingly whisper:

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

One set of four breaths

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases*

*count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Minds' Love

Observant inhalation: *Wise for each mind!*

Relaxingly whisper:

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

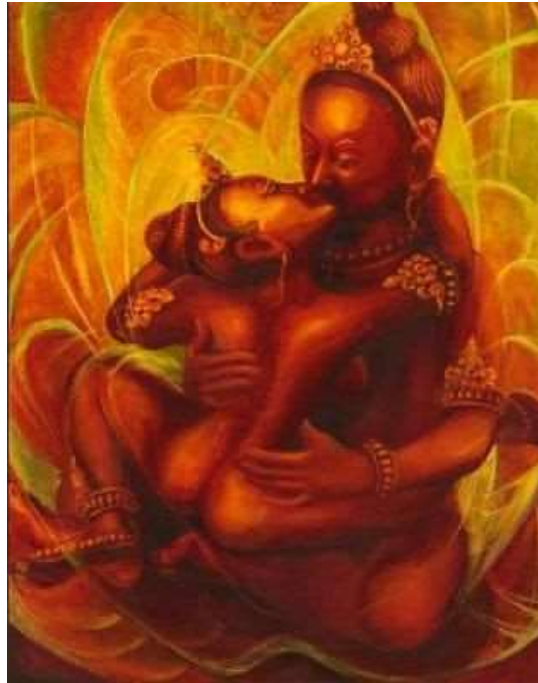
One set of four breaths

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip***

*count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
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B. Wisdom Mantra Contemplation



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Circumstances' Emptiness

Observant inhalation: *How lots, like Ta-re's,
seen yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **lower** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bodies' Emptiness

Observant inhalation: *How forms, like Ta-re's,
felt yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

One set of four breaths

*touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **middle** set of creases*

*count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:*

lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Communication's Emptiness

Observant inhalation: *How speech, like Ta-re's,
heard yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **higher** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Minds' Emptiness

Observant inhalation: *How minds, like Ta-re's,
clear yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **tip**
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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C. Spontaneous Awareness Mantra Meditation through WATCHING the Play of Mind and RELAXING into its Release

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Spontaneous Awareness Mantra Meditation

Observant inhalation: ***How relax into
the awareness of this?***

Relaxingly whisper:

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

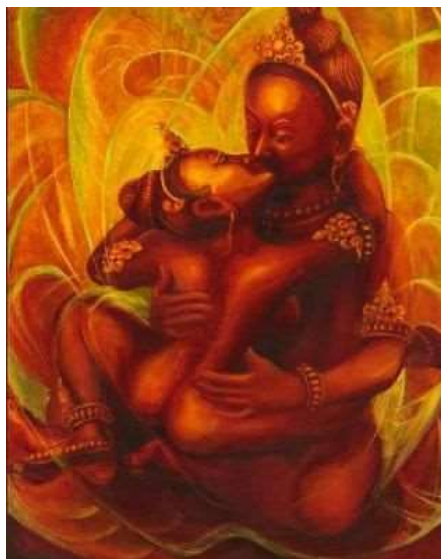
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

*Eight sets of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle and index finger's **four** sets of creases and tips
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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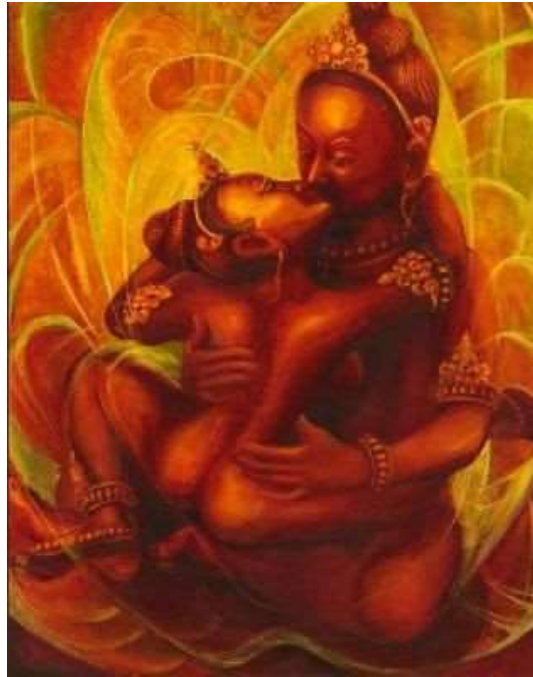
IV. Naropa's THIRD yoga of Clear Light

{ *Vajrayana, Anu-yoga or Mahamudra in Sanskrit, and
Tokal and Trekchöd in Tibetan Dzogchen* }



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A. Syllable Meditation



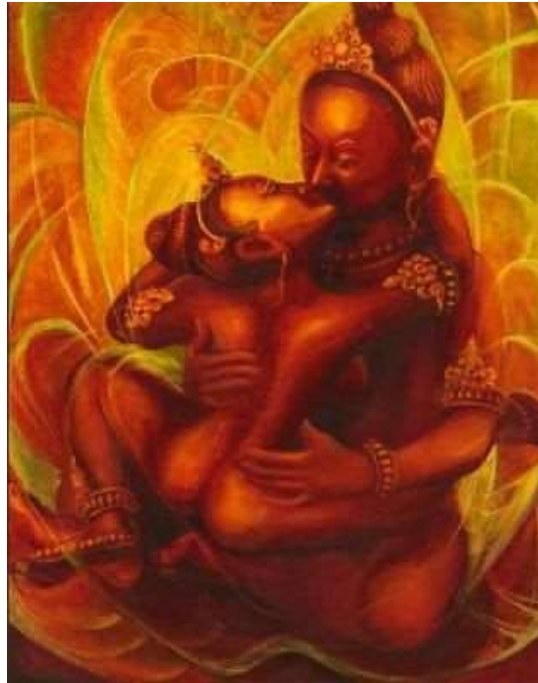
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{ *Drop in English, Bindu in Sanskrit, and Tiklé in Tibetan* }

IN-breath: Grin to heart **Tam...**

OUT-breath: **relaxing!** one set of sixteen breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases
count four breaths upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.

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B. Concise, Silent, Empty-body



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Minds' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Minds, like Ta-re's, ...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *clear yet void!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **little** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Communication Wisdom

Observant inhalation: ***Speech, like Ta-re's, ...***

Relaxingly** exhalation:* ***heard yet void!

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **ring** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bodies' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Form, like Ta-re's, ...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *felt yet void!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **middle** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Circumstances' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Lots, like Ta-re's, ...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *seen yet void!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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C. Change Contemplation

{*Nagarjuna's middle way (Madhyamaka in Sanskrit)*
reconciling interdependence with impermanence}

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana

1. Universal

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>All beings melt...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into worlds!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>All worlds melt...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into earthlings!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

One set of one breath each

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases*
*count the breaths upon the lower and middle set of creases of **right** little finger.*

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2. Global

<u>Observant</u> inhalation:	<i>Earthlings melt...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
Relaxing exhalation:	<i>into earth!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

<u>Observant</u> inhalation:	<i>Earth now melts...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
Relaxing exhalation:	<i>into neighbors!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

One set of one breath each
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases
count the breaths upon the higher set of creases and tip of **right** little finger.

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3. Local

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Neighbors melt...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into here!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Here now melts...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into form!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

One set of one breath each

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases*
*count the breaths upon the lower and middle set of creases of **right** ring finger.*

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4. Physical

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Form now melts...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into speech!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Speech now melts...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into mind!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

One set of one breath each

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases*
*count the breaths upon the higher set of creases and tip of **right** ring finger.*

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5. Mental

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Mind now melts...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into void!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Infinite...</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>emptiness!</i>

*One set of one breath each
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases
count the breaths upon the lower and middle set of creases of **right** middle finger.*

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6. Vast expanse

<u>Observant</u> inhalation:	<i>Infinite ...</i>	{ <i>Vast...</i>
Relaxing exhalation:	<i>emptiness!</i>	void!}

One set of two breaths
 touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases
 count the breaths upon the higher set of creases and tip of **right** middle finger.

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7. Voidness

Observant inhalation: ***Infinite ...*** { *Vast...*

Relaxing** exhalation:* ***openness! void! }

*One set of one breath
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases
count the breaths upon the three sets of creases and tip of the **right** index finger.*

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D. Spontaneous Awareness Meditation

through WATCHING the Play of Mind and

RELAXING into its Release

{Mahamudra or Mahasandhi in Sanskrit, and

Trekchö_d in Tibetan}

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Watching the Play of Mind

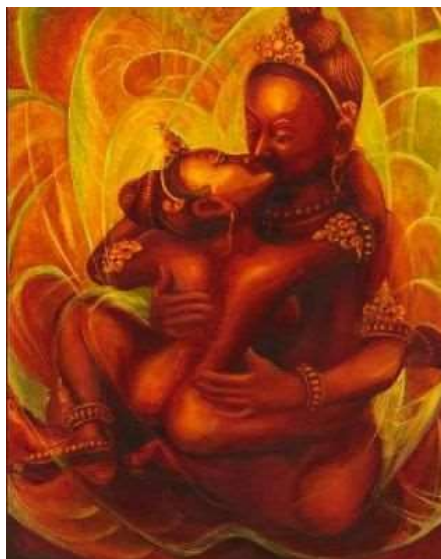
IN-breath: *Notice this...* {This...

OUT-breath: *relaxing!* yes!} one set of sixteen breaths
 touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
 count the four breaths upon the right: little, ring, middle, and index finger's:
 lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.

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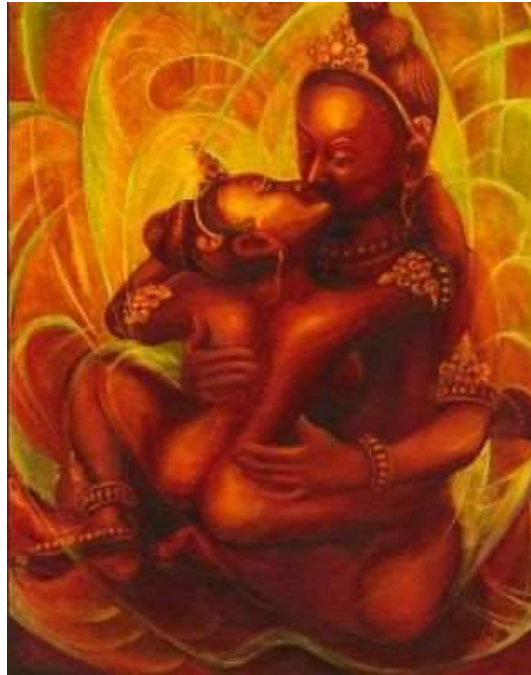
V. Naropa's FOURTH yoga of Pho'wa

*{Anu-yoga and Mahamudra in Sanskrit, as well as
Tikle and Trekchöd in Tibetan Dzogchen}*



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana

A. Verbal Transference of Consciousness



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana

A. Verbal Transference

Observant inhalation: *Mind shoots out crown...*

Fierce exclamation: **Phë!** {snap fingers overhead}
 one set of four breaths
 touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases
 count four breaths upon the right: **little** finger's:
 lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.

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B. Spontaneous Awareness Meditation

through WATCHING the Play of Mind and
RELAXING into its Release

{ *Sati Passaddhi in Pali, Mahamudra or Mahasandhi in Sanskrit, and
Trekchö_d in Tibetan Dzogchen* }



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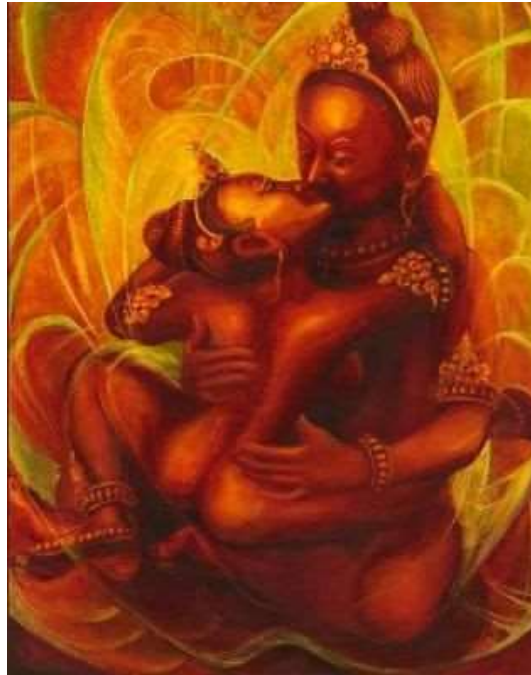
Watching the Play of Mind

Observant inhalation: *Notice this...* { *This...*

Relaxing exhalation: *relaxing!* yes!} one set of twelve breaths
 touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases
 count the four breaths upon the right: ring, middle, and index finger's:
 lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.

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C. Silent Transference of Consciousness



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana

C. Silent Transference

Observant inhalation: *Mind shoots out crown...*

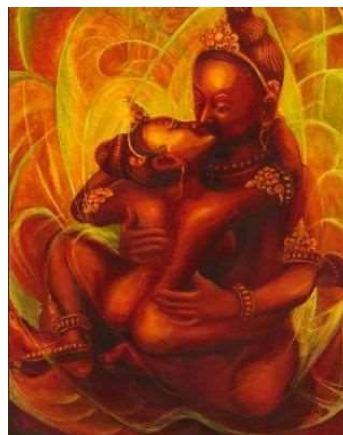
Relaxing exhalation: *relaxing!* *one set of four breaths*
*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases*
*count four breaths upon each of the right: **little** finger's:*
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.

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D. Spontaneous Awareness Meditation

through WATCHING the Play of Mind and
RELAXING into its Release

{ *Sati Passaddhi* in Pali, *Mahamudra* or *Mahasandhi* in Sanskrit, and
Trekchö in Tibetan Dzogchen }



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Watching the Play of Mind

Observant inhalation: *Notice this...* {This...

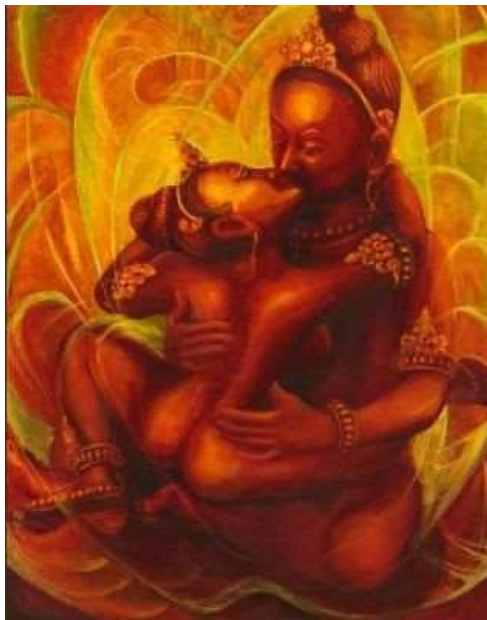
Relaxing exhalation: *relaxing!* yes!} one set of twelve breaths
 touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases
 count the four breaths upon the right: ring, middle, and index finger's:
 lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.

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VI. Naropa's FIFTH yoga of Bardo

Also known as the Three Bringings:

a veritable smorgasbord of all the techniques we've covered



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana

A. Change Contemplation

{*Nagarjuna's middle way (Madhyamaka in Sanskrit)*
reconciling interdependence with impermanence}

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana

1. Universal

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>All beings melt...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into worlds!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>All worlds melt...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into earthlings!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

One set of one breath each

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases*
*count the breaths upon the lower and middle set of creases of **right** little finger.*

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana

2. Global

<u>Observant</u> inhalation:	<i>Earthlings melt...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
Relaxing exhalation:	<i>into earth!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

<u>Observant</u> inhalation:	<i>Earth now melts...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
Relaxing exhalation:	<i>into neighbors!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

One set of one breath each

touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases
count the breaths upon the higher set of creases and tip of **right** little finger.

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3. Local

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Neighbors melt...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into here!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Here now melts...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into form!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

One set of one breath each

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases*
*count the breaths upon the lower and middle set of creases of **right** ring finger.*

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4. Physical

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Form now melts...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into speech!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Speech now melts...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into mind!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

One set of one breath each

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases*
*count the breaths upon the higher set of creases and tip of **right** ring finger.*

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5. Mental

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Mind now melts...</i>	<i>impermanence</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>into void!</i>	<i>interdependence</i>

<i><u>Observant</u> inhalation:</i>	<i>Infinite...</i>
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>emptiness!</i>

One set of one breath each

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases*
*count the breaths upon the lower and middle set of creases of **right** middle finger.*

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6. Vast expanse

Observant inhalation: *Infinite ...* { *Vast...*
***Relaxing** exhalation:* *emptiness!* void! }

*One set of two breaths
 touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases
 count the breaths upon the higher set of creases and tip of **right** middle finger.*

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7. Voidness

Observant inhalation: ***Infinite ...*** { *Vast...*

Relaxing** exhalation:* ***openness! void! }

One set of one breath

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases*
*count the breaths upon the three sets of creases **and** tip of the **right** index finger.*

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B. Awareness Meditation

through WATCHING the Play of Mind and
RELAXING into its Release

*{ Zen in Japanese, Ch'an in Chinese, Sati Passaddhi in Pali,
Mahamudra, Ati-yoga or Mahasandhi in Sanskrit,
and Trekchö_d in Tibetan Dzogchen }*

Bringing the Swoon of Death into the Path of the Dharmakaya

But what do we mean by the Truth body?

LITERALLY: the one mind of omniscience shared by each Buddha

OR

FIGURATIVELY: the mastery of AWARENESS and **letting-go**

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Watching the Play of Mind

IN-breath: *Notice this...* {This...

OUT-breath: *relaxing!* yes!} one set of sixteen breaths
 touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases
 count the four breaths upon the right: little, ring, middle, and index finger's:
 lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.

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C. Syllable Meditation

Bringing the Dream State of the Bardo into the Path of the Sambhogakaya

But what do we mean by the Bliss body?

LITERALLY: the body of bliss and light that each Buddha manifests upon enlightenment

OR

FIGURATIVELY: the mastery of BLISS and **letting-go**

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana{ *Bindu, or Anu-yoga in Sanskrit, and Tiklé in Tibetan* }{ *Bringing the Bardo into the Path of the Sambhogakaya – the Union of Bliss & Emptiness* }

IN-breath: Grin to heart **Tam**...

OUT-breath: **relaxing!** one set of sixteen breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases
count four breaths upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.

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D. Empty Body Contemplation

Bringing the Awakening of Rebirth into the Path of the Nirmanakaya

But what do we mean by the Emanation body?

LITERALLY: the bodies of flesh, blood, and bone that Buddhas emanate to guide others

FIGURATIVELY: the mastery of LOVE and **letting-go**

Vajrayana, Tantrayana, or Maha-yoga in Sanskrit, and Tegal in Tibetan Dzogchen



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Minds' Love

Observant inhalation: *Great wisdom...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *for each mind!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count the four breaths upon the right **little** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Minds' Letting-go

Observant inhalation: *Minds, like seed **Tam**, ...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *clear yet void!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count the four breaths upon the right **ring** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Speech Love

Observant inhalation: *Compassion...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *for all speech!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count the four breaths upon the right **middle** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Speech Letting-go

Observant inhalation: *Speech, like Man-tra, ...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *heard yet void!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count the four breaths upon the right **index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bodies' Love

Observant inhalation: *Profound health...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *for each form!*

One set of four breaths
slide tip of left thumb over left little finger's tip, down to its **higher** knuckle
count the four breaths upon the right **little** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Bodies' Letting-go

Observant inhalation: *Form, like Ta-re, ...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *felt yet void!*

*One set of four breaths
slide tip of left thumb over left little finger's tip, down to its **higher** knuckle
count the four breaths upon the right **ring** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Circumstances' Love

Observant inhalation: *Good fortune...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *for each lot!*

One set of four breaths
slide tip of left thumb over left little finger's tip, down to its **higher** knuckle
count the four breaths upon the right **middle** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Circumstances' Letting-go

Observant inhalation: *Lots, like Va-ti, ...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *seen yet void!*

*One set of four breaths
slide tip of left thumb over left little finger's tip, down to its **higher** knuckle
count the four breaths upon the right **index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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2. Spontaneous Awareness Meditation through WATCHING the Play of Mind and RELAXING into its Release

*{ Zen in Japanese, Ch'an in Chinese, Sati Passaddhi in Pali,
Mahamudra, Ati-yoga or Mahasandhi in Sanskrit,
and Trekchö_d in Tibetan Dzogchen }*



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana

Watching the Play of Mind

Observant inhalation: *Notice this...* { *This...*

Relaxing exhalation: ***relaxing!*** *yes!}*

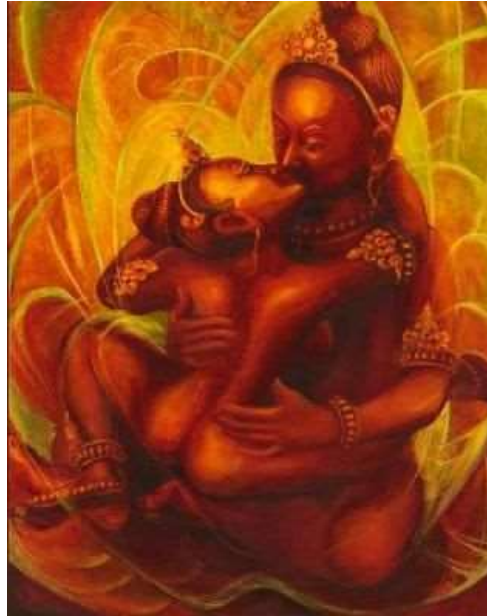
first set of sixteen breaths

*slide left thumb further down the back of left little finger until comes to rest upon the **middle knuckle**
count the four breaths upon the right: little, ring, middle, and index finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.*

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VII. Naropa's SIXTH yoga of Tantric Sex

(or Karma Mudra in Sanskrit or Yab yum in Tibetan)



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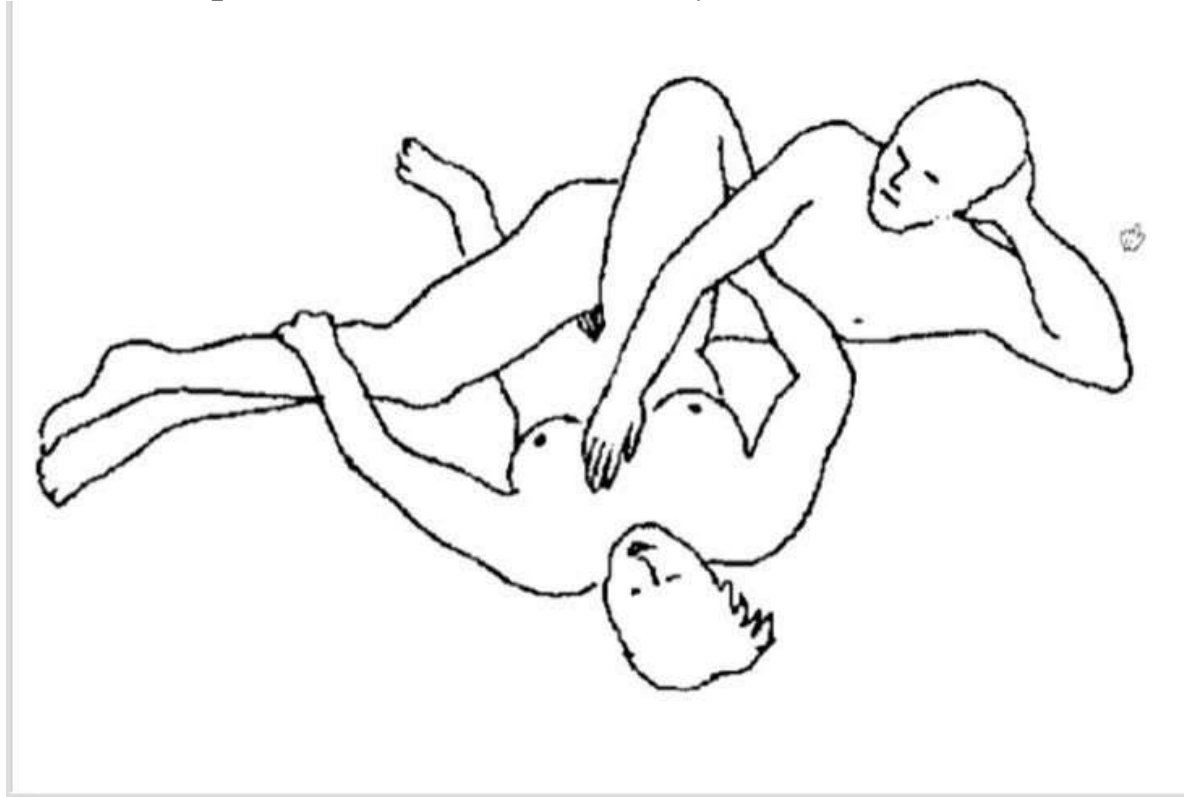
Classic Yab Yum



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Scissors

“Cupid's Poisoned Arrow” by Marnia Robinson



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How to get into scissors

- Woman lies on back, knees up to her chest
- Man lies on his left side so his penis is at the opening of her vagina
- She drops her legs
- He places his right leg between her legs
- Result: her left leg is between his legs, her right calf rests on his torso
- Just hang out there – your penis will pop in...pillows can help
- This is super relaxing and you can do this for hours

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A. Love Contemplation

Observant inhalation: ***Bliss for all...***

Relaxingly exhalation: ***relaxing!***

One set of sixteen breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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B. Wisdom Contemplation

Observant inhalation: ***What feeling?***

Relaxingly exhalation: ***Relaxing!***

One set of sixteen breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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C. Energetic Circulation – **Invigorating**

Observant inhalation: Grin to Gut...

Relaxingly exhalation: **relaxing!**

Observant inhalation: Grin to Feet...

Relaxingly exhalation: **relaxing!**

Observant inhalation: Grin to Hands...

Relaxingly exhalation: **relaxing!**

Observant inhalation: Grin to Crown...

Relaxingly exhalation: **relaxing!**

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Observant inhalation: Grin to Gut...

Relaxingly exhalation: **relaxing!**

Observant inhalation: Grin to Feet...

Relaxingly exhalation: **relaxing!**

Observant inhalation: Grin to Taint...

Relaxingly exhalation: **relaxing!**

Observant inhalation: Grin to Hands...

Relaxingly exhalation: **relaxing!**

Observant inhalation: Grin to Crown...

Relaxingly exhalation: **relaxing!**

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E. Spontaneous Awareness Meditation

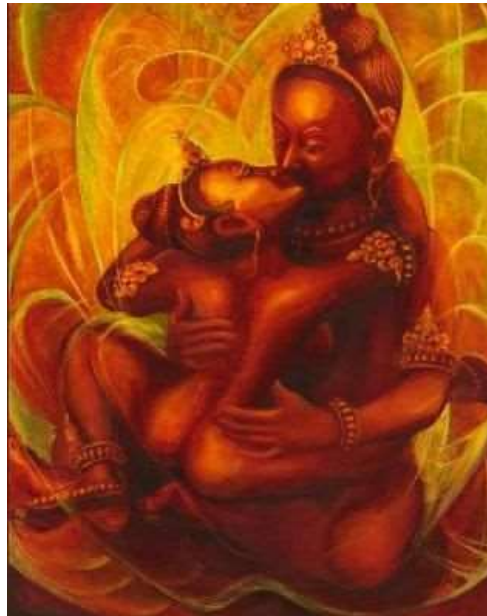
Observant inhalation: ***Notice this...***

Relaxingly exhalation: ***relaxing!***

*One set of sixteen breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count the four breaths upon the right **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

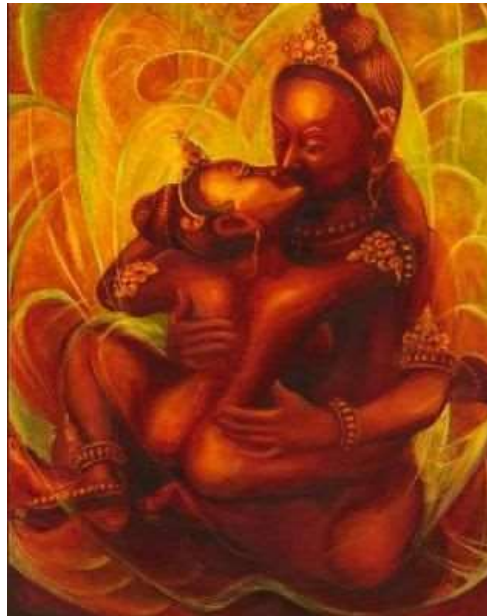
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VIII. Patrul's FIRST yoga of Aggregates



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana

A. Tantra's Four Bases of Mindfulness



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Circumstances' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Lots, like Ta-re's,
seen yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bodies' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Forms, like Ta-re's,
felt yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Communication's Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Speech, like Ta-re's,
heard yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Minds' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Minds, like Ta-re's,
clear yet void!*

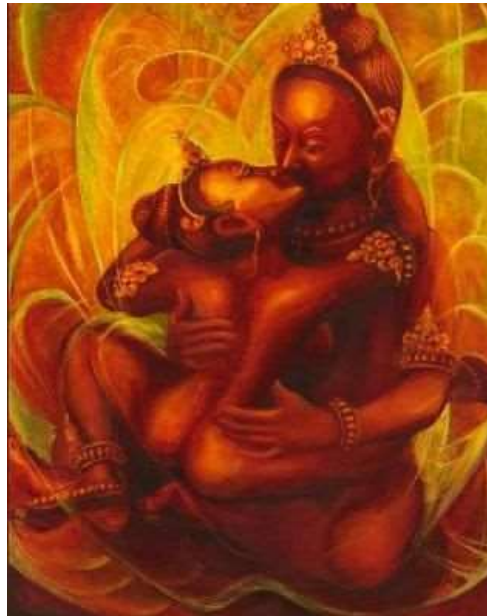
Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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B. Tantra's Five Aggregates



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Mantrayana's Form

Observant inhalation: ***How relax into the awareness
of this form?***

Relaxingly whisper:

***Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!***

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **lower** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Mantrayana's Feeling

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of these feelings
of pleasure, pain and neither?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Mantrayana's Appraisal

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of this appraisal of
feelings' intensity?*

Relaxingly whisper:

Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **higher** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Mantrayana's Impulse

Observant inhalation: ***How relax into the awareness
of these venal impulses?***

Relaxingly whisper:

***Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!***

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **tip**
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Mantrayana's Consciousness

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of this mind?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
slide tip of left thumb over left ring finger to its **higher** knuckle
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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C. Spontaneous Awareness Meditation through WATCHING the Play of Mind and RELAXING into its Release

*{ Zen in Japanese, Ch'an in Chinese, Sati Passaddhi in Pali,
Mahamudra, Ati-yoga or Mahasandhi in Sanskrit,
and Trekchö_d in Tibetan Dzogchen }*



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Watching the Play of Mind

Observant inhalation: *Notice this...* { *This...*

Relaxing exhalation: ***relaxing!*** yes! }

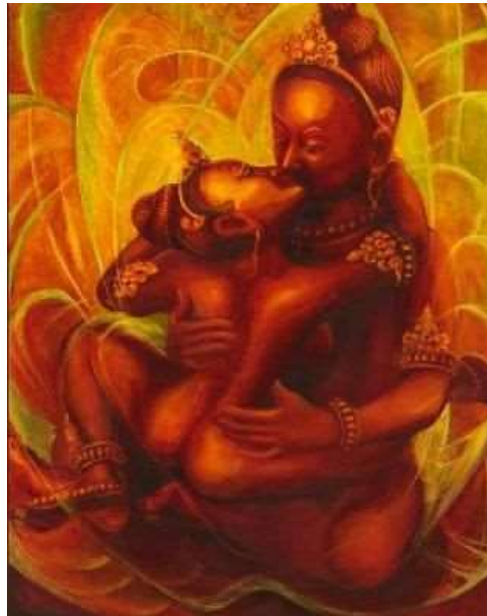
first set of sixteen breaths

*touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **lower** set of creases*

*count the four breaths upon the right: little, ring, middle, and index finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.*

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D. Tantra's Concise, Silent Love



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Circumstance's Love

Observant inhalation: *Great luck for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' lots!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **little** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Bodies' Love

Observant inhalation: *Great health for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' forms!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **ring** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Communication's Love

Observant inhalation: *Great peace for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' speech!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **middle** finger's:
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Minds' Love

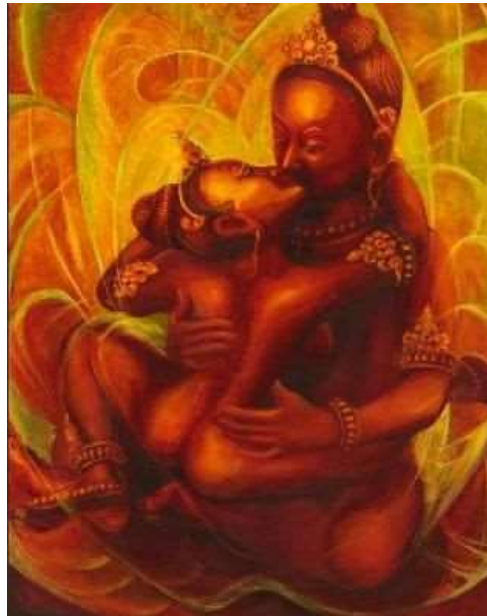
Observant inhalation: *Great joy for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' minds!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

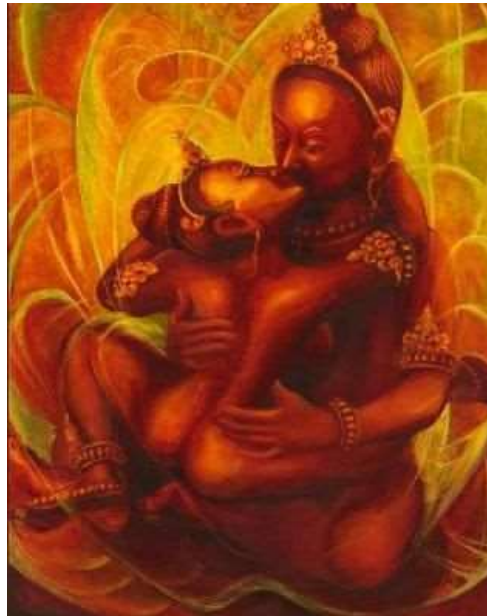
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IX. Patrul's SECOND yoga of Poisons



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana

A. Tantra's Four Bases of Mindfulness



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Circumstances' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Lots, like Ta-re's,
seen yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

One set of four breaths

*touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bodies' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Forms, like Ta-re's,
felt yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Communication's Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Speech, like Ta-re's,
heard yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Minds' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Minds, like Ta-re's,
clear yet void!*

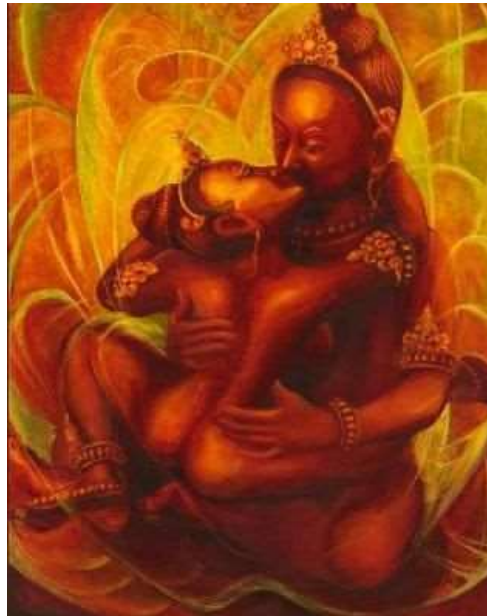
Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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B. Tantra's Five Poisons



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Letting-go of hate to experience the mirror-like wisdom

Observant inhalation: ***How relax into the awareness
of hate that shoves?***

Relaxingly whisper:

***Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!***

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **lower** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Letting-go of greed to experience discriminating wisdom

Observant inhalation: ***How relax into the awareness
of greed that reaches?***

Relaxingly whisper:

***Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!***

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Letting-go of confusion to experience the wisdom of the basic space of all phenomena

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of confusion that grasps?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **higher** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Letting-go of jealousy to experience all-accomplishing wisdom

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of jealousy that
forgets interdependence?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **tip**
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Letting-go of Pride to experience equalizing wisdom

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of pride that
forgets impermanence?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
slide tip of left thumb over left ring finger to its **higher** knuckle
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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C. Spontaneous Awareness Meditation through WATCHING the Play of Mind and RELAXING into its Release

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Mahamudra, Ati-yoga or Mahasandhi in Sanskrit,
and Trekchö_d in Tibetan Dzogchen }*



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Watching the Play of Mind

Observant inhalation: *Notice this...* { *This...*

Relaxing exhalation: ***relaxing!*** *yes!}*

first set of sixteen breaths

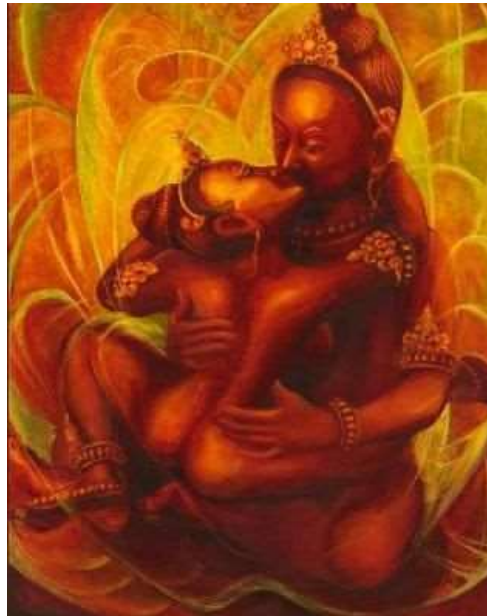
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count the four breaths upon the right: little, ring, middle, and index finger's:

lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.

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D. Tantra's Concise, Silent Love



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Circumstance's Love

Observant inhalation: *Great luck for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' lots!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **little** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Bodies' Love

Observant inhalation: *Great health for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' forms!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **ring** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Communication's Love

Observant inhalation: *Great peace for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' speech!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **middle** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Minds' Love

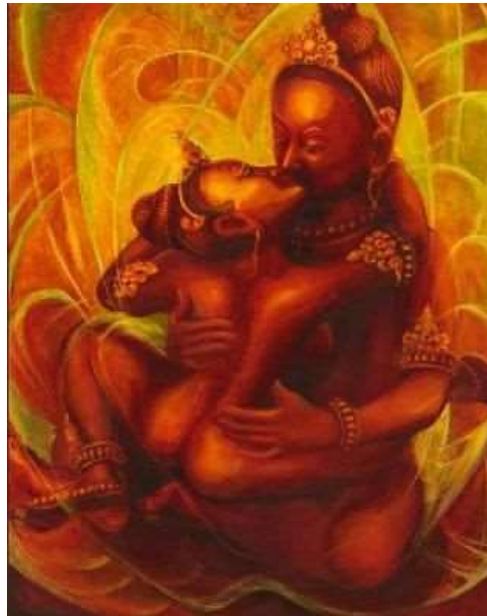
Observant inhalation: *Great joy for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' minds!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **index** finger's:
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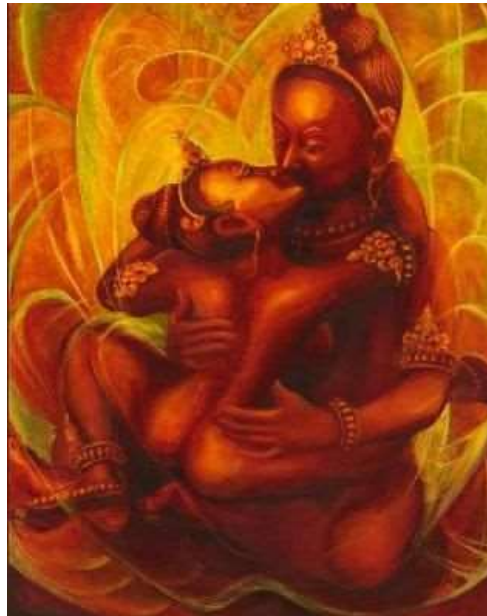
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X. Patrul's THIRD yoga of Perception



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A. Tantra's Four Bases of Mindfulness



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Circumstances' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Lots, like Ta-re's,
seen yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bodies' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Forms, like Ta-re's,
felt yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Communication's Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Speech, like Ta-re's,
heard yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Minds' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Minds, like Ta-re's,
clear yet void!*

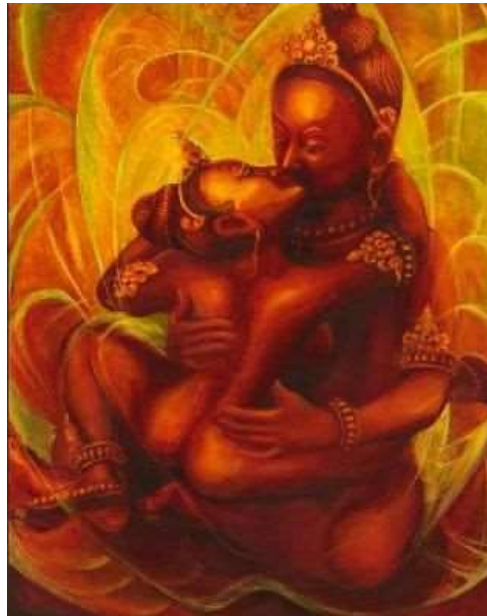
Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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B. Tantra's Five Perceptions



Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Bringing Sensation into the path of Awareness and Acquiescence

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of these sensations;
felt yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **lower** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Bringing Flavor into the path of Awareness and Acquiescence

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of these flavors;
tasted yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Bringing Scent into the path of Awareness and Acquiescence

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of these scents;
smelled yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **higher** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Bringing Sound into the path of Awareness and Acquiescence

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of these sounds;
heard yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **tip**
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

Rakta Tare's Dance of the Six Yogas of Naropa – 26th Lesson Sadhana
Bringing Sight into the path of Awareness and Acquiescence

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of these sights;
seen yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
slide tip of left thumb over left ring finger to its **higher** knuckle
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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C. Spontaneous Awareness Meditation through WATCHING the Play of Mind and RELAXING into its Release

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and Trekchö_d in Tibetan Dzogchen }*



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Watching the Play of Mind

Observant inhalation: *Notice this...* { *This...*

Relaxing exhalation: ***relaxing!*** *yes!}*

first set of sixteen breaths

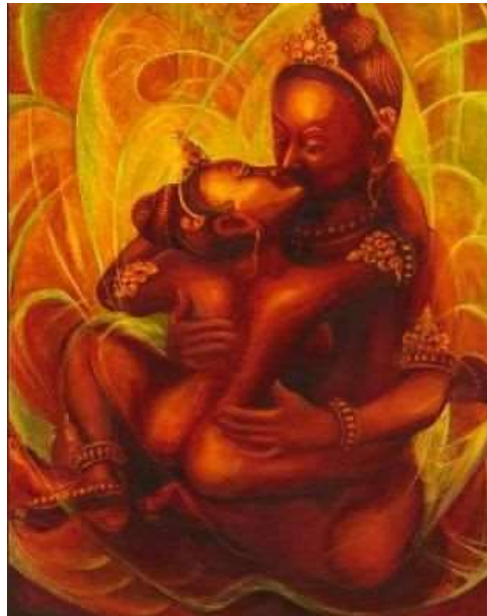
*touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **lower** set of creases*

count the four breaths upon the right: little, ring, middle, and index finger's:

lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.

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D. Tantra's Concise, Silent Love



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Circumstance's Love

Observant inhalation: *Great luck for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' lots!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **little** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Bodies' Love

Observant inhalation: *Great health for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' forms!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **ring** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Communication's Love

Observant inhalation: *Great peace for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' speech!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **middle** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Minds' Love

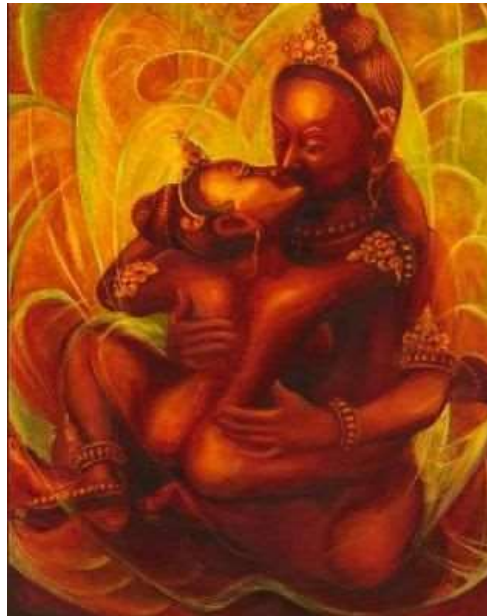
Observant inhalation: *Great joy for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' minds!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

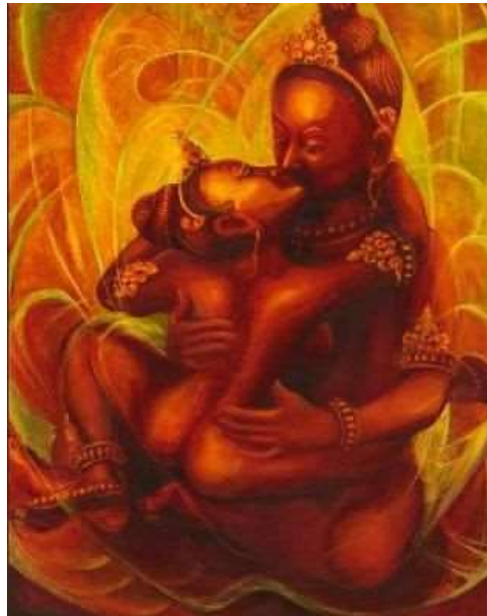
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XI. Patrul's FOURTH yoga of Cognition



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A. Tantra's Four Bases of Mindfulness



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Circumstances' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Lots, like Va-ti,
seen yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **lower** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bodies' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Forms, like Ta-re,
felt yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Communication's Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Speech, like Mantra,
heard yet void!*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **higher** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Minds' Wisdom

Observant inhalation: *Minds, like seed **Tam**,
clear yet void!*

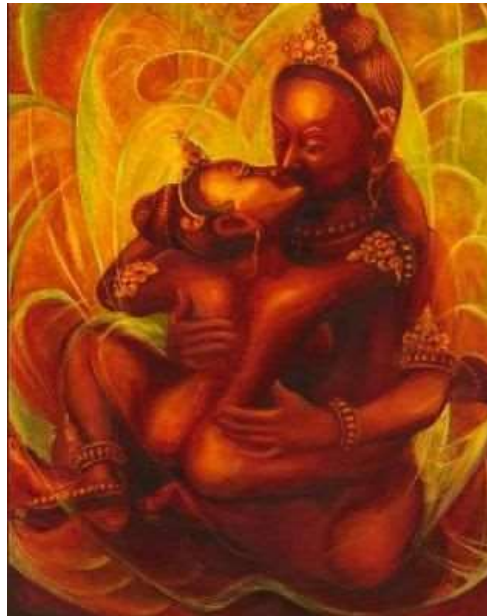
Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left little finger's **tip**
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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B. Tantra's Five Cognitions



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Bringing Emotion into the path of Awareness and Acquiescence

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of these emotions;
passionate yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **lower** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bringing Volition into the path of Awareness and Acquiescence

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of these intentions;
dynamic yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bringing Cognition into the path of Awareness and Acquiescence

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of these thoughts;
analytical yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **higher** set of creases
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bringing Recollection into the path of Awareness and Acquiescence

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of these memories;
vivid yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left ring finger's **tip**
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Bringing Imagination into the path of Awareness and Acquiescence

Observant inhalation: *How **relax** into the awareness
of these fantasies;
compelling yet void?*

Relaxingly whisper:

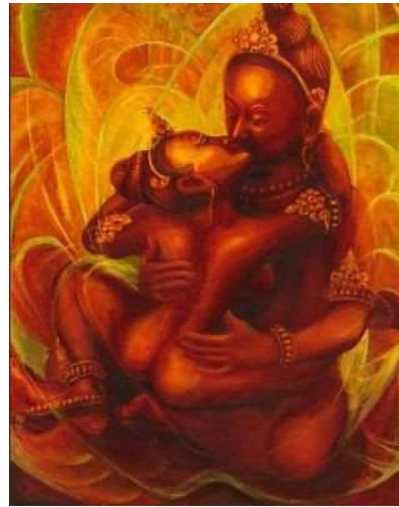
*Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!
Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha! Om Ta-re Tam Sö-ha!*

*One set of four breaths
slide tip of left thumb over left ring finger to its **higher** knuckle
count the four mantras upon each of the right: **little, ring, middle, and index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.*

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Watching the Play of Mind

Observant inhalation: *Notice this...* { *This...*

Relaxing exhalation: ***relaxing!*** *yes!}*

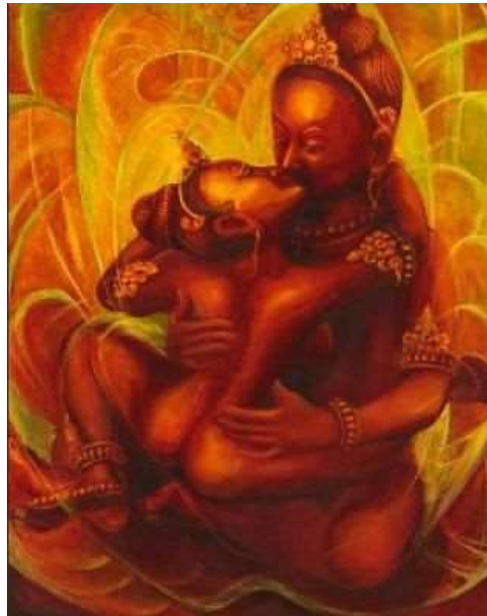
first set of sixteen breaths

*touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **lower** set of creases*

*count the four breaths upon the right: little, ring, middle, and index finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as their tips.*

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Observant inhalation: *Great luck for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' lots!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **little** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Bodies' Love

Observant inhalation: *Great health for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' forms!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **ring** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Communication's Love

Observant inhalation: *Great peace for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' speech!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **middle** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

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Minds' Love

Observant inhalation: *Great joy for...*

Relaxingly exhalation: *all beings' minds!*

One set of four breaths
touch tip of left thumb to left middle finger's **middle** set of creases
count the four breaths upon the right **index** finger's:
lower, middle, and higher sets of creases, as well as its tip.

VII. Appendix

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A. Padawan Training

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1. Parable of the Movie Concessions

It was 1971 and I was in first, or second grade.
A class mate's mother had taken many of us
to see “Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory”
for his birthday.

My family did not often go to movies
so this was very exciting for me.

Timid, and uncertain, and polite,
I did what I was told,
and gratefully accepted what I was offered.

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I was offered hot buttered popcorn
and what seemed like a huge vessel
of Dr. Pepper,
a soda I had heretofore never tasted.

So there I sat,
in the darkened theater,
with my class mates
and several hundred strangers;

eating my popcorn,
and sipping my Dr. Pepper,
and all the while enjoying the movie,
which I still remember, to this day.

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Upon first consideration
one could understandably assume
that the movie could distract me...

from my snacking and sipping
and thus undermine
my enjoyment of them.

But I experienced the opposite
to be true:
that the movie enhanced my enjoyment
of the popcorn and the soda...

and the popcorn and the soda
enhanced my enjoyment
of the movie.

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And this could be very much
like our practice of meditation...

where during our inhalation
we silently, and mentally recite,
“Notice this...”

and during our exhalation
we silently, and mentally recite,
“relaxing!”...

while actually physically relaxing
as best we can.

For just as I was able to observe the movie
while snacking and sipping
we can notice our mind
while noticing and relaxing.

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We could notice sensations,
and flavors, and scents,
and sounds, and sights...

as well as our emotions,
and intentions, and reasonings,
and recollections, and imaginings.

And we could notice
all those things
passively and non-conceptually.

And as we physically relax
into each exhalation,
*for that is what our bodies
have evolved to do,*

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all that we noticed as we breathed in
could feel a little less graspable
and a little easier to mentally release
as we relax into our out breath.

And just as the snacking
and the sipping
did not undermine

my enjoyment
of the movie
but rather enhanced it...

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likewise our silent and mental
recitations of “Notice this...” and “relaxing!”
in harmony with our breathing...

does not undermine our ability
to watch the play of mind
or relax into its non-graspable nature
but rather facilitates it.

More than two millennia ago
a Jewish carpenter
is said to have explained

that man was not made
for the Sabbath,
but Sabbath for man.

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Likewise, I tell you
that we do not sit in meditation
that we might more efficiently
recite “Notice this...” and “relaxing!”

but rather
that we silently and mentally recite
“Notice this...” and “relaxing!”
that we might more efficiently meditate

so that our passive and non-conceptual
observation of the play of mind

and our physical, and visceral,
and mental relaxation
into its non-graspable nature....

might be more easy,
and effective,
and transformative.

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Recall Darth Bane's rule of two,
wherein there must be a master
to have power,
and a student to crave it.

This is a form of elitism
and manipulation.

And over the millennia
many so-called spiritual teachers
have used cryptic meditation
instructions, and techniques...

to reinforce a rule-of-two-like
elitism and coercion.

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Some deliberately chose
obfuscation and coercion
because they embraced elitism
and power, and prestige...

others chose the same obfuscation and coercion
because they lacked the mental acuity
to know better.

But I am here to tell you
that something does NOT
have to be difficult
to be effective.

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I'm telling you the opposite.
I'm telling you that
something must be easy
and intuitive....

if it is to be sustainable,
no less effective.

But do not take
my word for it;
put it to the test.

Play with these techniques
every morning and every evening
that you,
like Rey Skywalker...

might meditate
like a Jedi.

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2. Karezza Tantra's Mental Panacea

One can not gaze at an image of Dröl-ma Mar-mo Yab Yum without noticing that she is sporting in Tantric union.

Just as the Baskin Robins franchise of ice cream parlors claims to offer thirty-one flavors likewise there many flavors of sexual tantra.

As with all things, there are also patriarchal as well as matriarchal takes on what the Buddhist Tantrikas refer to as Karma Mudra in Sanskrit, or Yab Yum if you prefer Tibetan.

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In the book “Cupid's Poisoned Arrow”

the author Marnia Robinson does an outstanding job
explaining the flavor of sexual tantra that could be described as:
matriarchal, or valley, or yin, or bonding , or oxytocin-oriented,

through the lenses of anthropology, and genetics,
and neuroscience, and trenchant pragmatism.

Oh how I wish that her text was required reading
in every junior high school Sexual Education class
for the way we choose to make love or masturbate,
and our choices in pornography, and erotica, and even fantasy

have a profound effect upon each of our midbrain's
dopamine pathways, and oxytocin pathways,
and our mental health, and our physical health,
all our relationships,
as well as our educational and vocational well-being.

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3. Parable of the Movie Patron

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4. Panic Attack

<i>Observant inhalation:</i>	<i>What notice?</i>	
<i>Tranquil hold-breath:</i>	<i>What notice?</i>	
<i>Relaxing exhalation:</i>	<i>Relaxing!</i>	
<i>Tranquil pause-breath:</i>	<i>Relaxing!</i>	<i>three to sixteen breaths</i>

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5. Ptolemy's Twelve Elemental Permutations

Number	Finger	Mode	Element	Archetype	Body part
First	Right little	Cardinal	Fire	Warrior	Head
Second	Both ring	Fixed	Earth	Dance Club Doorman	Throat & Neck
Third	Left index	Mutable	Air	Spontaneous Play	Shoulders, Arms & Hands
Fourth	Right middle	Cardinal	Water	Mother	Nipples
Fifth	Both little	Fixed	Fire	Natural Leader	Heart
Sixth	Left ring	Mutable	Earth	Profound Consideration	Guts
Seventh	Right index	Cardinal	Air	Beauty and Love	Kidneys
Eighth	Both middle	Fixed	Water	Vault of Mystery	Crotch
Ninth	Left little	Mutable	Fire	Philosopher – Benefactor	Thighs
Tenth	Right ring	Cardinal	Earth	Father	Knees - Bones
Eleventh	Both index	Fixed	Air	Laidback Philanthropist	Calves
Twelfth	Left middle	Mutable	Water	Surrendered Sage	Feet

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6. Lethargy

Squeezing inhalation:

1, 2, 3, 4,

Releasing exhalation:

yes!

This performed while making the “thumbs up” gesture with one hand while squeezing the nail into its thumb with the thumb and index-finger of the other hand in rhythm to the counted breaths.

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7. Whole-food Veganism's Physical Panacea

Buddhist tantra is the path of love and letting-go.
Love is more than just a feeling.

Compassion is an intention that effects our choices,
and our behaviors, and the ripples that we generate
that, in turn, effect the world around us.

Choosing a cruelty-free diet
is one of the easiest ways
to diminish the suffering created
by our consumer choices.

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The benefits generated
by embracing a whole-food vegan diet
are not limited to non-human animals
with whom we share this planet,

nor even this planet itself,
the only place in the known universe
that we are certain sustains life (for the time being).

The physical, and endocrinological,
and neurological, and psychological benefits
that we could savor on a whole-food vegan diet
have been observed in peer reviewed scientific journals.

In the parody song “White and Nerdy”
Weird Al Yankovic sings of a fellow
who “...does calculus just for fun...”.

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Which reminds me of Dr. Michael Greger, M.D.
whose full time job is to analyze
EVERY peer-reviewed, nutrition-oriented study
published in English, every year.

This man is no ideologue,
content to twist the facts
in order to support his world view.

For his top priority is to discover the dietary interventions
that could prevent disease, reverse disease,
and increase quality of life as well as longevity.

And towards that end
he uses meta analysis to follow the facts
wherever they lead;
like a contemporary, medical Sherlock Holmes...

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if Sherlock was so geeky
as to name his book
after a Monty Python skit.

“How NOT to Die”

first explores the top fifteen causes of premature death in America,
secondly shares a dozen things we could do
to prevent and reverse these disorders,

and thirdly contains hundreds of citations
to peer-reviewed studies.

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8. Two Paths

*In the Tao Te Ching we read of two paths in any endeavor,
Lao Tzu warned against the former and encouraged the latter:*

*the path of yang or the path of yin,
the path of patriarchy or the path of matriarchy,
the path of rigidity or the path of flexibility,
the path of elitism, or the path of egalitarianism,*

*the path of control or the path of permissiveness,
the path that craves certitude or the path that embraces ambiguity,
the path with authority as the source of truth
or the path with truth as the source of authority,*

*the direct path or the circuitous path,
the active path or the passive path,
the path of competition or the path of cooperation,
the path of cruelty or the path of compassion...*

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*the path of pride or the path of love,
the path of ego or the path of NO-self (aka NOT-self),
the path of scatteredness or the path of centeredness,
the path of contrivance or the path of spontaneity,
the path of effort or the path of ease.*

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9. Essence of the Four Vows

*Karma Chakme Rinpoche was a brave soul
who received sky treasures, or Ter-ma in Tibetan, from Chen-re-zik,
the archetype of enlightened compassion,
guiding him to begin the journey out of sectarianism and fundamentalism.*

*In his effort to transcend sectarianism
he embraced the teachings and practices
of both the Kagyu as well as Nyingma sects as best he could.*

*In his effort to transcend fundamentalism
he strove to simplify Highest Yoga Tantra or Ut-ta-ra Tan-tra in Sanskrit,
as well as essentialize the hundreds of Hinayana, Mahayana and Vajrayana vows.*

*Towards the latter: he taught that the essence of all the Refuge vows
was to simply trust in the Buddha, Dharma and Sangha,
he taught that the essence of all the Pratimoksha vows of morality
is NON-violence,*

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*he taught that the essence of all the Bodhisattva vows of compassion
was to share all our good karma with all beings,*

*and he taught that the essence of the Tantric Samaya of wisdom
was to see ourselves as Chen-re-zik
and see our teacher as Chen-re-zik's teacher, A-mi-ta-bha.*

*Many centuries later Lama: Jigme Gyatso
received sky treasures, or Ter-ma in Tibetan, from Chen-re-zik,
guiding him to journey further out of sectarianism, fundamentalism, and patriarchy.*

*In terms of sectarianism he was led to explore the teachings and practices
of each sect of Buddhism
and in terms of transcending fundamentalism,
which is one of patriarchy's symptoms,*

*he was taught further simplify the four sets of vows thusly:
the essence of the Refuge vows is to simply **rely** upon the example of Buddha's life story,
apply the instructions of the Dharma,*

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*humbly **rely** upon the support offered by fellow Sangha members,
as well as lovingly support Sangha members with our skill set as best we can;*

*the essence of the Pratimoksha vows of morality
is still NON-violence which includes a whole-food, vegan diet;*

*the essence of the Bodhichitta vows of compassion
is to set compassionate intention before meditation,
blend our practice of the four bases of mindfulness
with our awareness of all local, global, and universal beings, real or imagined,*

*as well as to seal our practice
by sharing our positive energy with all beings;
the essence of the Tantric Samaya of wisdom
is to enthusiastically apply our teacher's instructions
and follow his example as best we can.*

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11. Good night and Wake up Channels

*In Buddhist Tantra it is often taught
that within our bodies of flesh, blood and bone,
lay energy channels*

*that fundamentalists inordinate amounts of time and energy
visualizing as tubes comprised of light.*

*It is said we have a blue central channel,
the width of an arrow shaft,
that begins in the lower abdomen,
ascends about a thumb's width before the spine,*

*piercing the horizontal bladder wheel
(or chakra if you prefer Sanskrit),
navel wheel, heart wheel, and throat wheel*

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*as it ascends into the skull
where it arches forward brushing against
the crown wheel at the fontanel
before terminating between, and just above the eyebrows.*

*There are two side channels.
The moon, or left, side-channel is red,
the width of hay or straw
and begins at our urethra,*

*brushes past the most sensitive part
of either our citreous or our penis,
climbs up the left of our central channel,*

*looping once around the central channel
just below the bladder wheel
and then just below the navel wheel,*

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*looping thrice around the central channel
just below the heart wheel,*

*looping once again just below the throat wheel,
and then just below the crown wheel
before terminating in the left nostril.*

*The sun, or right, side channel is white,
also the width of hay or straw
and begins in our rectum,*

*brushes past either our G-spot or prostate,
climbs up the right of our central channel,*

*looping once around the central channel
just above the bladder wheel
and then just above the navel wheel,*

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*looping thrice around the central channel
just above the heart wheel,*

*looping once around the central channel
just above the throat wheel
and then once again just above the crown wheel
prior to terminating in the left nostril.*

*As liberals upon the path of matriarchy
none of this needs to be memorized or even visualized.*

*Our right channel could be stimulating,
so we impeded it when its time to go to sleep,
by closing our right eye and reading through our left
and by sleeping on our right side.*

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*Conversely, our left channel could be sedating,
so we impeded it is time to start our day,
by rolling over to our left side*

*and laying in the fetal position for a few moments
as thoughts of the day's tasks begin to clarify
like friends emerging from a fog bank.*

*Upon rising, we could also close our left eye,
and read though our right
as we sit upon the toilet
to further wake our bodies.*

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12. Walking Meditation

*After fifteen weeks of twice daily sadhana practice
you should have automatically memorized the 33 meditations
of Dzogchen's Contemplation, Compassion, and Meditation.*

*Which should come in handy,
as this week you could begin training
in brisk, walking meditation.*

*Its simple, just perform the 33 meditations you've already grown accustomed to
while briskly walking through your neighborhood.
This is especially useful during times of emotional upset or even PTSD episode.*

*Of course if you're so upset as to experience disorientation
then please limit your walking course to just going around your block,
that way you won't get lost, or walk into traffic.*

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*Blending the 33 meditation techniques you've already learned
with brisk walking
allows us to bilaterally stimulate our hippocampus and amygdala
which aids in the processing of difficult events and emotions.*

*REMEMBER: upon this path
we do not practice rigid concentration which stimulates our sympathetic nervous system,
but rather relaxed mindfulness which access our parasympathetic nervous system;
the quick path to the light sight, or eager youngling.*

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13. Sky Gazing

In “Red Tare’s Treasure” the phrase “queen of the sky” could remind us literally of the practice of sky-gazing,

where we perform the contemplation, compassion, and meditation that we are taught in the sixteen week series of meditation classes while gazing into the sky.

Any time of day we could gaze into the sky while meditating, but it could be especially poignant to gaze at the sun, doing so only during the first hour of sunrise, or the last hour of sunset.

*In Sanskrit this practice is sometimes referred to as Surya Chaku.
Common sense prevails:*

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*1 – remove your corrective lenses or contact lenses,
gaze with the left eye for four breaths,
then with the right eye for four breaths,
alternating back and forth;*

*2 – only do this for as long as it feels comfortable,
giving yourself permission to progress gradually
such as adding seven seconds per day,
or seven minutes, or more every day.*

*3 – relax the tissues of your face, especially around the eyes,
allowing the eyelids to close somewhat,
viewing the sun through one's eyelashes
thus occasionally giving rise to the illusion of subtle rainbows encircling the sun;*

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*4 – don't wander into traffic,
for your vision will be dazzled after completing this exercise,
thus while it is fine to practice this during opening verbal contemplation & compassion,
as well as the silent meditation...*

*I recommend turning away from the sun
during the practice of the closing silent contemplation and compassion
thus allowing one's eyes to recalibrate
to the ambient lighting.*

*5 – I recommend the lion posture Simha asana,
feet flat on earth or floor,
resting one's tuchus upon one's calves,
forearms resting upon knees.*

*Neither mysterious nor occult
this practice could act as a subtle tonic to your body.*

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B. Jedi Knight Training

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1. Four Levels of Practice

- Browsers – come to class but do NO homework and see NO transformation.*
- Students – come to class AND do their homework every morning AND every evening; they evolve.*
- Yogis – students who perform one-day retreats every quarter, month or week, practicing four times that day (i.e.: 6am, 10am, 2pm & 6pm).*
- Monastics – students who live as if on permanent retreat, practicing four times every day (i.e.: 6am, 10am, 2pm & 6pm).*

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Twenty minutes of formal silent meditation

for First Level Students – those who are seeking a “life lubricant”

Forty minutes of formal silent meditation

*for Second Level Students – those who desire a “profound evolution”
such as healing PTSD, overcoming a tragic past,
or transcending a disempowering and oft repeated pattern*

Sixty minutes of formal silent meditation

*for Third Level Students – those who yearn to rapidly master
enlightenment's Blissful-mindfulness, Peaceful-insight and Spontaneous-compassion.*

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2. The Path of Mastery

Unconscious Incompetence

Conscious Incompetence

Conscious Competence

Unconscious Competence

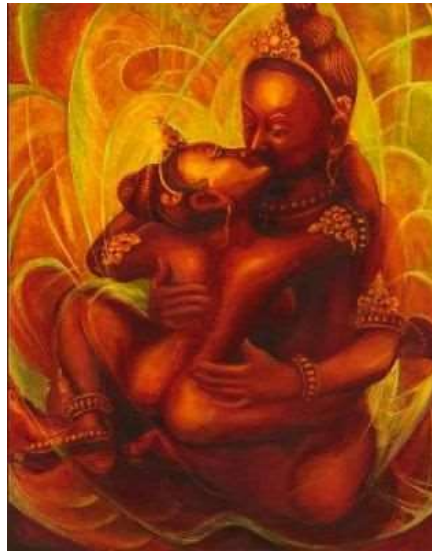
*When have we mastered the archetypical Dakini's
vulnerability, non-grasping,
compassion and centered spontaneity?*



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*When we practice their techniques:
spontaneously, habitually, easily and effectively;
and their practice has so defined us
that we no longer chase a goal...*

*but are so content to practice the path
that we no longer even feel the need
to ask whether or not
we have mastered it.*



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3. The Means of Mastery

*Ten thousand hours of regular, lucid, strategic practice
is often the minimum required to accomplish mastery needed to teach others.
Any student who enthusiastically practices their homework every morning
AND every evening for sixteen consecutive weeks could be considered an apprentice.*

*A Journeyman is an apprentice who has accumulated
5,000 hours of study and 5,000 hours meditation;
ideally for eight hours daily
over the course of three and a half years...*

*and has demonstrated intellectual comprehension
and emotional **evolution**.*

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*A Master is a journeyman who has accumulated
an additional 5,000 hours of study
and an additional 5,000 hours of meditation;
ideally for eight hours daily...*

*over the course of an additional three and a half years
and has demonstrated intellectual and emotional **mastery**.
The 10,000 hours is a minimum, for some folks require 20,000 hours,
30,000 hours or more to demonstrate intellectual and emotional mastery.*

*Although this path of mastery can be long,
it is neither mysterious nor occult.*

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C. End Notes

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Week	Rumination	Supplementation	Meditation	
First	Anapanasati Sutta and its Commentary	Youngling Training Parable of the Movie Concessions	1 st 16 Trekchöd, Tokal Circumstance	
Second	Tantra's Treasure 1 st – 6 th Chapters	Romantic Panacea	2 nd 16 Trekchöd, Tokal Body	
Third	Tantra's Treasure 7 th – 12 th Chapters	Parable of the Movie Patron	3 rd 16 Trekchöd, Tokal Speech	
Fourth	Tantra's Treasure 13 th – 18 th Chapters	Panic Attack	4 th 16 Trekchöd, Tokal Mind	
			Padawan Training	
Fifth	Tantra's Treasure 19 th – 24 th Chapters	Ptolemy's Twelve Elemental Permutations	Madhyamika, Trekchöd 2 nd , 4 sets of 16 breaths,	
Sixth	Tantra's Treasure 25 th – 30 th Chapters	Lethargy Physical Panacea	Bliss and Sensation, Trekchöd 3 rd , 4 sets of 16 breaths	
Seventh	Tantra's Treasure 31 st – 36 th Chapters	Two Paths	Trekchöd, 4 th , Fourth, 4 sets of 16 breaths	
Eighth	Tantra's Treasure 37 th – 42 nd Chapters	Essence of the Four Vows	Mantra Circumstance	
Ninth	Tantra's Treasure 43 rd – 48 th Chapters	Good Night & Wake-up Channels	Mantra Body	
Tenth	Tantra's Treasure 47 th – 54 th Chapters	Walking Meditation	Mantra Speech	
Eleventh	Tantra's Treasure 55 th – 60 th Chapters	Sky Gazing	Mantra Mind	
Twelfth	Tantra's Treasure 61 st – 66 th Chapters	Four Levels	Jedi Knight Training	
Thirteenth	Tantra's Treasure 67 th – 72 nd Chapters	Path of Mastery		
Fourteenth	Tantra's Treasure 73 rd – 78 th Chapters	Means of Mastery		
Fifteenth	Tantra's Treasure 79 th – 81 st Chapters		Penultimate Q&A	
Sixteenth			Final Q and A	

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Their nudity reminds us
of mindfulness' vulnerability,
their bodies comprised of light
remind us of non-graspability,

their beauty reminds us
of love's energy,

the stability with which he sits
reminds us of centeredness, and
the abandon with which she sports
reminds us of spontaneity.

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May love and insight
drive our veganism.

The love that yearns to minimize
our participation
in the exploitation of others;

and the insight the seeks
sustainability,
both ecological and medical.

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