

# The Qualities of the Five Buddha Families

## WEST

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

## CENTER

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

## NORTH

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

## SOUTH

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

## EAST

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