

## Notes on the Five Dhyani Buddhas

Vairochana

Color: White

Hand implement: Wheel

Delusion: Ignorance

Wisdom: Mirror-like Wisdom

Aggregate: Form

Direction: East

Energy: Pacifying

Name: "One Who Completely Manifests"

Our Commitment: Rely on Buddha, Dharma and Sangha; practicing morality, gathering virtuous dharma (merit); working for sentient beings

Akshobya

Color: Blue

Hand implement: Vajra

Delusion: Anger

Wisdom: Dharmadhatu

Aggregate: Consciousness

Direction: center

Energy: Basis of all Enlightenment

Name: "Unshakeable One"

Our commitment: Holding the Vajra, Bell and Mudra (wisdom, method and their union) and to honor our teachers.

Ratnasambhava

Color: Yellow

Hand Implement: Jewel

Delusion: Pride and miserliness

Wisdom: Wisdom of Equanimity

Aggregate: Feeling

Direction: South

Energy: Increasing

Name: "The Source of Preciousness"

Our commitment: four types of giving, Dharma, freedom from fear, material wealth and love.

Amitabha

Color: Red

Hand implement: Lotus

Delusion: Desirous attachment

Wisdom: Wisdom of Discrimination

Aggregate: Discrimination (or perception)

Direction: West

Energy: Empowering (or controlling)

Name: "Infinite Light"

Our Commitment: to uphold the three types of dharma: outer, secret and the three vehicles: Hinayana, Mahayana and Vajraayana

Amoghasiddhi

Color: Green

Hand implement: Double vajra

Delusion: Jealousy

Wisdom: Wisdom of All-accomplishing Activity

Aggregate: Compositional factors

Direction: North

Wrathful enlightened activity

"One Who Accomplishes What is Meaningful"

Our commitment: Keeping our vows and making all the offerings possible.

Please note: In some tantras, Akshobhya is Mirror Like Wisdom and Form and so then Vairochana is the Wisdom of Dharmadhatu and Consciousness.

These are according to the New Schools of Tantra, Nyingma Tantras will differ.