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(rdzogs pa chen po)

<http://kaladarshan.arts.ohio-state.edu/> (Thangkas with explanations, from an exhibition for understanding the basics of Tibetan buddhism at Ohio State University)

[www.rimeshedrubling.dreamhosters.com](http://www.rimeshedrubling.dreamhosters.com)

(Sangha Rime Shedrub Ling, Younge Khachab Rinpoche, Vajrayana Rime)

[www.rimefoundation.org](http://www.rimefoundation.org)

where you will find this link to Amazon's "Rime Shedrub Ling bookstore":

<http://astore.amazon.com/rimshelintibb-20/104-6896814-3139158>

Also see their Links and Web sources page (reproduced below at end of file)

[www.rimay.net](http://www.rimay.net)

[www.dharmadictionary.net](http://www.dharmadictionary.net)

[www.dhagpo-kagyu.org](http://www.dhagpo-kagyu.org) (the primary Kagyu lineage)

[www.rangjung.com](http://www.rangjung.com)

(Rangjung Yeshe Publishing, at Dhagpo Kagyu Ling, France, the European seat of the alternative Kagyu lineage with the 16<sup>th</sup> Sharmapa)

[www.rywiki.tsadra.org](http://www.rywiki.tsadra.org) (The Rangjung Yeshe Wikipedia)

<http://www.dharmafellowship.org/library> -- "Early Translation (Nyingma) texts" 700-1,000 C.E. in English. This is a Vancouver primary Kagyu site.

<http://en.wikipedia.org> (English) (e.g. "Atiyoga" article)

<http://fr.wikipedia.org> (French)

[www.vajranatha.com/teaching](http://www.vajranatha.com/teaching)

[www.lotsawahouse.org](http://www.lotsawahouse.org) (Nyingma out of London)

[www.rigpa](http://www.rigpa) (Nyingma)

[www.rigpawiki.org](http://www.rigpawiki.org)

[www.palyul.org](http://www.palyul.org) (Nyingma in U.S.A.)

[www.likeanillusion.com](http://www.likeanillusion.com) (Milarepa and the Shangpa Kagyu lineage = Jonang lineage)

[www.jonangfoundation.org/translations](http://www.jonangfoundation.org/translations) (Shangpa Kagyu = Jonang lineage)

[www.gomdeusa.org](http://www.gomdeusa.org) (Rangjung Yeshe Gomde, CAL, is linked to the Chokling Tersar lineage teachings revealed by Chokyur Lingpa (1829-1870). Chokyi Nyima, son of Tulku Urgyen Rinpoche. Ratnashop for practice texts, etc)

[www.drikung-kagyu.org](http://www.drikung-kagyu.org) + [Garchen.net](http://Garchen.net) (AZ, for CD resources)

The main practices of Drikung Kagyu are “The Five-fold Profound Path of Mahamudrā,” and “The Six Dharmas of Nāropa.”

<http://www.berzinarchives.com>

[www.keithdowman](http://www.keithdowman) (lineage, dzogchen masters)

[earlytibet.com/about/earrings/](http://earlytibet.com/about/earrings/) (...this and all the other archived entries, called “posts”). Website of Sam Van Schaik, British scholar of early Tibetan Buddhist texts and history.)

[www.khandro.net](http://www.khandro.net) (the “Dakini” network)

[www.kalachakranet.org](http://www.kalachakranet.org)

[www.sakyadhita-europe.org](http://www.sakyadhita-europe.org) (female figures and deities, women)

[www.aroencyclopaedia.org](http://www.aroencyclopaedia.org) (a “mother tantra” white sangha site with interesting information for beginners)

[www.shenpen-osel.org](http://www.shenpen-osel.org) (teachings from Nitartha Institute)

[wisdom-books](http://wisdom-books) (British but also U.S.A.)

[www.thlib.org/collections/texts/jiats/#jiats=/01/germano/](http://www.thlib.org/collections/texts/jiats/#jiats=/01/germano/) (history)

[www.nitarthainstitute.org](http://www.nitarthainstitute.org)

[www.nalandabodhi.org](http://www.nalandabodhi.org) (Dzogchen Ponlop Rinpoche, Kagyu Gyalwang Karmapa and Nyingmapa, Center at Nalada West, WA)

[rigpashedra.org](http://rigpashedra.org) (Sogyal Rinpoche, Dzongsar Khyentse Rinpoche)

#### GENERAL & SANGHA CONNECTIONS

[buddhanet.net](http://buddhanet.net)

[drba.org](http://drba.org)

[e-sangha.com](http://e-sangha.com)

[Buddhaactivity.org](http://Buddhaactivity.org) ([where we should register the group](#))

#### ART and MEDIA

[exoticindia.com](http://exoticindia.com) (lovely and expensive, deity description and relationship pages)

[choyingart.com](http://choyingart.com) (Tibetan-trained Vancouver thangka painter)

[himalayanart.org](http://himalayanart.org) (not .com)

[tibetshop.com](http://tibetshop.com) (lovely and very expensive)

[snowlionpub.com](http://snowlionpub.com) (Giclee prints of thangkas)

[thangkaart.net](http://thangkaart.net)

[ibff.org](http://ibff.org) (Buddhist film)

[buddhistchannel.tv/index.php?ashoka](http://buddhistchannel.tv/index.php?ashoka) (online courses)

#### [www.yoniversum.nl](http://www.yoniversum.nl)

A useful eclectic site by a Danish couple; it may not be up to date. Also see their **Lam Yig** page, <http://www.yoniversum.nl/dakini/index.html>, for web-links hidden under the blue text:

1. **The Khandroma (Dakini) Network**

Covering very much similar ground as the present site (**Dakini Yogini Central**), [www.khandro.net](http://www.khandro.net) is not only more extensive in scope (and links to outside sources), but it has also been around for much longer. It is a good source for things you do not find **here** and also for a second opinion if you want one: we regularly come to different conclusions about things.

2. **The Art of Tibet**

[One of the most beautiful sites](#) featuring a great number of thankas and mandalas brought together from a variety of collections.

3. **Early Tibetan Mandalas: The Rossi Collection**

A well documented collection of [13th to 16th century mandalas](#) with high quality reproductions and detailed explanations.

<http://www.asianart.com/mandalas/index.html>

4. **Rangjung Yeshe Tibetan-English Dharma Dictionary (Also [rywiki-sedra.org](#)? Rangjung Yeshe is a high-end translation and publishing group working out of ... Ling, Dordogne, France, the European seat of the 16<sup>th</sup> Sharmapa and the "European" 17<sup>th</sup> Karmapa.)**

A [very extensive dictionary](#) combining most glossaries from books in your or my library, with the many others we may not have. According to the organization, more than 85,000 Tibetan terms and phrases are translated and/or explained. A great resource if you know what you're looking for: **the search engine only accepts Tibetan terms** spelled according to the Wylie system. So looking for meditation, you must enter **sgom**.

[http://www.nitartha.org/dictionary\\_search04.html](http://www.nitartha.org/dictionary_search04.html)

## Lineages and Schools

### 1. Buddhism according to the Contemporary Gelugpa

Part of the official site of the **Government of Tibet in Exile**, a [detailed and interesting source](#) on how the present Gelugpa Order views the development of Buddhism in Tibet (and in exile), now including Bön in what is called the *Five Principal Traditions*.

### 2. Nyingma in the West

Although not representative for all Nyingma organizations in the West, [Nyingma.org](#) is an influential and large organization under the guidance of Tarthang Tulku. They have a huge monastery in the US, are involved in many and large translation and publication projects (under the name Dharma Publishing), and are represented in several other countries as well. The site has several photographs of the monastery and shows what Vajrayana looks like in the US of A.

### 3. Nyingma Palyul Lineage

A specific tradition within the Nyingma [originates with the Palyul Monastery](#) in Tibet and its associated teachers. [http://www.palyul.org/eng\\_about\\_palyullineage.htm](http://www.palyul.org/eng_about_palyullineage.htm)

### 4. Aro gTer Lineage

Very small and relatively unknown, an especially interesting Nyingma-based lineage because it is [mainly oriented towards female masters and adepts](#) -- though seems to be headed by a male Caucasian. Nevertheless, has information and images concerning women: Yeshe Tsogyal, Jomo Memo, Machig Labron and others. Well worth a visit. <http://www.aroter.org/>

### 5. Karma Kagyu Lineage

Both in content and design, this is [probably the best](#) of several online efforts to introduce the development of this lineage and its major teachers. <http://www.karmapa.com/>

### 6. The Dzogchen Foundation

A site filled with a variety of [essays and interviews](#) <http://www.dzogchen.org/> (mainly by or with author Surya Das) concerning Dzogchen teachers and teachings. Includes teaching schedule. Also part of this site is a great collection of [illustrated biographies](#) <http://www.dzogchen.org/library/index.htm> of major teachers.

[www.palyul.org](#) (Nyingma in U.S.A., a group recommended by Khenpo Younge Khechab)

**Their Links page** (not necessarily their endorsements, but for public assistance):

[Bodhi.org](#) -- a private non-profit foundation dedicated to assembling conditions that benefit beings. They also have a page of useful links.

[BuddhaNet](#) -- Portal to Buddhist sites of all traditions (Zen, Theravada, Tibetan, etc.) world-wide. Visit this site if you are looking for a center near you.

[Buddhactivity](#) -- Calendar program and job help for practitioners.

[DharmaNet](#) -- Buddhist events calendar page.

[Kotan Publishing's Tibetan Cultural Region Directory](#) -- A list of links from a publishing company dedicated to introducing new and exciting Asian literature and artwork to the rest of the world.

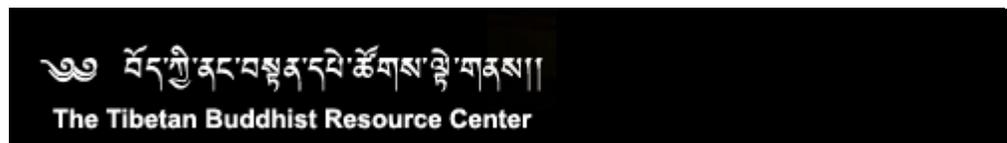
[Quiet Mountain](#) -- A guide to Buddhism on the web.

[Shambhala Sun](#), Buddhist magazine

[Tibetan Buddhist Resource Center](#) -- An excellent online database with searchable information in over 72,000 articles.



[Amitabha Foundation](#), Ayang Rinpoche  
[Chagdud Gonpa Foundation](#), Chagdud Rinpoche  
[Shambhala Centers](#), Chogyam Trungpa Rinpoche  
[Dhongak Tharling Dharma Center](#), Kushok Tulku  
[Dreaming Of Danzan Ravjaa](#), Monk Konchok Norbu's Blog about his work in Mongolia  
[Mangala Shri Bhuti](#), website of Venerable Dzigar Kongtrul Rinpoche  
[Dzogchen Foundation](#), Lama Surya Das  
[Kathok Shendrup Ling Center](#), Lingtrul Rinpoche  
[Kunzang Palyul Chöling](#), Jetsunma Ahkön Lhamo  
[Nyingma Centers](#), Tarthang Tulku  
[Orgyan Osal Cho Dzong](#), Vajracharya Ven. Peling Tulku, Rinpoche (Lama Jampa)  
[Padmasambhava Buddhist Center](#), Khen Rinpoches Palden Sherab and Tsewang Dongyal  
[Rangjung Yeshe Gomde](#), Chökyi Nyima Rinpoche  
[Rigpa](#), Sogyal Rinpoche, Dzogchen Rinpoche  
[Shechen Tennyi Dargyeling](#), Dilgo Khyentse Rinpoche, Rabjam Rinpoche  
[Tashi Choling](#), Gyaltrul Rinpoche  
[Vajrakilaya Centers](#), Kusum Lingpa Rinpoche  
[Vajrayana Foundation](#) Lama Tarchin Rinpoche  
[Yeshe Nyingpo](#), Gyaltrul Rinpoche



[www.tbrc.org](http://www.tbrc.org).

Besides the material on this site, their Links Page:

## SUGGESTED RESOURCES

### *General Resources*

- [Himalayan Art Project](#)  
a comprehensive research database, a virtual museum, of Himalayan and Tibetan art.
- [The Himalayan and Tibetan Digital Library at the University of Virginia](#)  
an international community using web-based technologies to integrate diverse knowledge about Tibet and the Himalayas for free access from around the world.
- [The Jonang Foundation](#)  
a U.S. non-profit corporation and online educational resource established to preserve and promote understanding of the Jonang Tibetan Buddhist tradition
- [The Institute of Tibetan Classics](#)  
a non-profit educational organization dedicated to the preservation and dissemination of classical Tibetan thought and culture.
- [Bodhi Foundation](#)  
supports the view of practicing the Six Perfections, maintaining the Four Reminders, and ceaselessly applying positive actions while rejecting harmful activity and encouraging others to do the same.
- [Padmasambhava Buddhist Center](#)

spreads the teachings of Buddhism according to the Nyingma school lineage of Tibet.

- [Tibetan Studies WWW Virtual Library](#)
- [Latse Contemporary Tibetan Cultural Library](#)
- [Digital Himalaya](#)
- [Lotsawa House](#)
- [The Rime Foundation](#)
- [Meridian Trust](#)
- [Lelung Tulku](#)

#### *Tibetan Textual Preservations Projects*

- [ACIP \(Asian Classics Input Project\)](#)  
works to preserve the disappearing books containing the great ideas of the Eastern half of humanity and to make these books and ideas accessible to the world at large.
- [Nitartha International](#)  
dedicated to preserving the precious texts and art of Asia and bringing the living wisdom of the East to the world community.
- [Drukpa Kagyu Heritage Project](#)  
begun for the purpose of collecting, preserving, archiving, and re-publishing the texts of the Drukpa Kagyu tradition of Tibetan Buddhism.

#### Publishers of Books about Tibetan Buddhism

- [Wisdom Publications](#)
- [Snow Lion](#)
- [Shambhala Publications](#)
- [Dharma Publication](#)
- [Asian Rare Books \(NYC\)](#)
- [SUNY Press](#) or to the [subject page](#)

#### Library Search Engines

- [The National Library of Bhutan](#)  
now has a new homepage and via the [Royal Library of Denmark](#) you can search the database in Bhutan, with Tibetan Unicode
- [Library of Congress](#)
- [University of Wisconsin at Madison](#)
- [Columbia University Web Library](#)
- [New York Public Library](#)
- [Harvard University Library: HOLLIS](#)



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## [www.rimefoundation.org](http://www.rimefoundation.org)

The Rimé Foundation is currently working with a team of translators, scholars, and technicians to create [www.dharmadictionary.net](http://www.dharmadictionary.net), a resource site for the study and practice of Tibetan Buddhism. This website has already become one of the most exhaustive sources of information on the Tibetan Buddhist tradition, with translators and scholars contributing from around the globe. At the outset of this project, the Rimé Foundation contributed to this project by way of helping design the structure of the site (which contains thousands of pages) and creating content for key areas.

### LINKS PAGE:

#### Tibetan Buddhist Study Programs

**International Buddhist Academy** - A three month program located in Kathmandu, Nepal. Offers courses in Buddhist philosophy, practice, and Tibetan language. Founded by Khenpo Appey Rinpoche, this program is rooted in the Sakya lineage.

**Marpa Institute** - A two month study/practice intensive in Kathmandu, Nepal, offering courses in Buddhist philosophy, meditation, and Tibetan language. Taught by senior Tibetan scholars of the Karma Kagyu lineage. Founded by Khenpo Tsultrim Gyamtso Rinpoche.

**Nitartha Institute** - A one month study program based on traditional Tibetan monastic training. Offers courses in Buddhist philosophy, meditation, debate, and Tibetan language, with courses taught by Dzogchen Ponlop Rinpoche and senior khenpos (Tibetan scholars) of the Karma Kagyu Tradition.

**Rangjung Yeshe Institute** - A year long training program based in Kathmandu, Nepal. Offers courses in Buddhist philosophy, meditation, debate, Buddhist history, classical and colloquial Tibetan, Sanskrit, and Nepali. Courses taught by senior khenpos of various lineages (Nyingma, Kagyu, Sakya) and short courses by resident and visiting lineage holders. Resident lamas: Chokyi Nyima Rinpoche, Tsikey Chokling Rinpoche.

**Rigpa Shedra** - A one month course (September through October) on various aspects of Buddhist philosophy. Taught by senior khenpos (Tibetan scholars) and lamas of the Nyingma and Kagyu traditions. Founded by Sogyal Rinpoche.

**Rimé Institute** - A three year program located in Madison, Wisconsin. Teaches various aspects of Buddhist philosophy and practice. Founded by Khachab Rinpoche.

**Root Institute** - Located in Bodhgaya, India. Offers year round courses in Tibetan Buddhist philosophy and meditation. Founded by Lama Yeshe.

**Tergar Institute** - Founded by Yongey Mingyur Rinpoche; offers courses in Buddhist philosophy and meditation by HH the 17th Karmapa (during the Kagyu Monlam), Yongey Mingyur Rinpoche, and other senior Kagyu lamas and khenpos. Held yearly December through February at Tergar Monastery in Bodhgaya, India.

#### Tibetan Language Study Programs

**Manjushree Institute** - Offers nine month courses in spoken and literary Tibetan. Located in Darjeeling, India.

**Marpa Institute** - Offers beginning and advanced courses in spoken and literary Tibetan. Held yearly January through March.

**Nitartha Institute** - Offers a one month intensive in spoken and literary Tibetan yearly in Canada.

**Rangjung Yeshe Institute** - Offers year round courses in classical and spoken Tibetan, Nepali, and Sanskrit, including a summer intensive on spoken Tibetan.

**Tergar Institute** - Offers beginning and advanced courses in spoken and literary Tibetan. Language program is held yearly January through February at Tergar Monastery in Bodhgaya, immediately following the 17th Karmapa's Kagyu Monlam teachings.

#### Academic Study Programs

**Columbia University, Religious Studies Department** - Offers MA and PhD degrees in Religious Studies, with various opportunities to focus on Tibetan Buddhist history and philosophy.

**Harvard University** - Offers AM and PhD degrees in Tibetan Studies.

**Kathmandu University's Center for Buddhist Studies** - Offers a four year program in Buddhist Studies and Himalayan languages, leading to a BA degree. Located in Kathmandu, Nepal, at Ka-Nying Shedrub Ling Monastery. Associated with the Rangjung Yeshe Institute.

**Naropa University** - Offers a variety of under-graduate and graduate degrees related to Tibetan language and religion.

**Rice University, Religious Studies Department** - Offers MA and PhD degrees in Religious Studies, with various opportunities to focus on Tibetan Buddhist history and philosophy.

**University of California at Berkeley, Buddhist Studies Department** – Offers advanced degrees in the field of Buddhist studies.

**University of California at Santa Barbara, Religious Studies Department** - Offers MA and PhD degrees in Religious Studies, with various opportunities to focus on Tibetan Buddhist history and philosophy.

**University of Virginia, Religious Studies Department** - Offers MA and PhD degrees in Religious Studies, with various opportunities to focus on Tibetan Buddhist history and philosophy.

#### Online Study & Research Resources

**Asian Classics Input Project** - An organization dedicated to the preservation of Tibetan literature, offers free releases of digitally archived texts.

**Buddhanet** - A vast collection of online resources for the study and practice of Buddhism.

**Electronic Resources for the Study of Buddhist Texts** – A guide supporting the scholarly study of Buddhist texts by providing links to primary textual sources and reference material.

**Lotsawa School** – A website containing a great many resources for aspiring and practicing translators, including topical lists of important terminology and quotes, indices of the work of important authors, and many other useful tools and resources.

**Mind & Life Institute** - An organization dedicated to exploring the links between spirituality and science. Electronic Resources for the Study of Buddhist Texts - A guide supporting the scholarly study of Buddhist texts by providing links to primary textual sources and reference material.

**Nitartha International** - Offers various technologies and tools related to the study of Tibetan language and religion. Includes online Tibetan-to-English dictionary and Tibetan fonts.

**Quiet Mountain** - An online resource providing an extensive listing of Tibetan Buddhist groups and organizations. **Tibetan & Himalayan Digital Library** - Various research tools related to the study of Tibetan and Himalayan culture and language.

**Tibetan Buddhist Resource Center** - An organization designed to promote research and scholarship in Tibetan Buddhism and advance the preservation of the Tibetan cultural heritage by making its literary tradition widely available in the form of digital images. Contains a searchable archive of scanned texts, which are made available on request for a reasonable fee.

**Tibetan Computer Company** - A company providing Tibetan language fonts and word processing software, as well as computerized Buddhist texts, dictionaries, and other digital resources.

**Tibetan & Himalayan Digital Library** – Various research tools related to the study of Tibetan and Himalayan culture and language.

**tibetanlama.com** - A resource site containing information about important Tibetan lamas, groups, and teachings. **Tibetan Studies WWW Virtual Library** - An web-based resource for Tibetan Studies, established by Matther Ciolek. **Translation Tool** - A free Tibetan-English translation tool, available for online and offline use. Includes dictionaries by Jeffrey Hopkins and James Valby.

**www.tibet.com** - Official website of the Tibetan government in exile.

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