

“Western Herbs”
 “for Eastern Meridians and Five Element Theory”
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THE CHINESE ELEMENTS & ASSOCIATIONS

ELEMENTS	FIRE	EARTH	METAL	WATER	WOOD
colors	red	yellow	white	blue	blue/green
meridians	heart small intestine	spleen stomach	lung large intestine	kidney bladder	liver gallbladder
seasons	summer	between	autumn	winter	spring
conditions	heat	wind	clear	cold	rain
directions	south	center	west	north	east
senses	taste	touch	smell	hearing	sight
sense organs	tongue	mouth	nose	ears	eyes
sound	laughing	singing	weeping	groaning	shouting
notes	chih/chi/G	kung/kyû/C	shang/shô/D	yü/u/A	chiao/kaku/E
tastes	bitter	sweet	spicy	salty	sour
smells	burning	fragrant	rotten	putrid	rancid
faculty	inspiration	intellect	vitality	will	spiritual
action	sight	thought	speech	listening	countenance
fluid	sweat	saliva	mucous	urine	tears
tissues	blood/vessels	flesh/fat	skin/hair	bones/teeth	muscles/ten- dons
grain	rice	millet	corn	beans/peas	wheat
fruit	plum	apricot	chestnut	dates	peach
meat	lamb	beef	horse	pork	chicken
vegetables	greens	scallion	onions	leeks	mallow
emotions	love hate	sympathy empathy	grief guilt	fear anxiety	anger rage wrath