

Happy New Year of the Yin Metal Rabbit

Rabbits are prolific, so no wonder they are associated with creativity
and beginnings~~~

The colors & shapes this year are especially vertical green cylinders
(yin wood of rabbits and yang wood of ancient dragons);
grey, white or silver circles/spheres (metal year)
and to a lesser extent, triangles and red (fire) from the rising sun.
Every rabbit year engages the inherent yin wood of the rabbit,
so watch roots,
the unseen/hidden from immediate view (down the rabbit hole!)
and generations.

Highlight receptivity and interiority
(of you, your home, etc.)

for the inherent quality of yin wood 'in' growth seems everywhere:
'in fact' (truth),
'infant' (young, which invokes ancestors and hidden roots)
'inside' (inner worth)
'in depth',
etc.

Each rabbit year, the yin wood of the rabbit interacts with a different element:
~~(water or wood or fire or earth or metal)~~

2011 yin wood interacts with yin metal.

This gives the year its name: 2011 = the year of the yin metal rabbit
and supports element interactions: the relationship between wood and metal is 'metal chops wood'
yin metal rabbit years suggest pruning to shape the future & allow breathing room.

While all growth is connected,
the metal rabbit year of constant spouting & pruning
reminds us that the seed of tomorrow
is in today.

CARPE DIEM!

2011

02/02/2011 - 01/22/2012

Your Rabbit Years

Record Your Experience

Rabbit Years	Your Age	Animal Inherent Element	Year Elements	Elements Interact	Where did you live? What happened?
1951 2011		Yin Wood	Yin Metal	Yin	
1963		Yin Wood	Yin Water	Yang	
1975		Yin Wood	Yin Wood	Integrity	
1987		Yin Wood	Yin Fire	Yang	
1999		Yin Wood	Yin Earth	Yin	

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Your Moons In 2011

Energetic high point during the Year of the Rabbit =
Rabbit Moon, which is **New 5/3, full 5/17, over 5/31**.
 See also: Hexagram::Moon Correlation
 What happens in 2011?

1. Rat	New 2-2-2011	
	Full 2-18	
2. Ox	New 3-2	
	Full 3-19	
3. Tiger	New 4-3	
	Full 4-17	
4. Rabbit	New 5-3	
	Full 5-17	
5. Dragon	New 6-1	
	Full 6-15	
6. Snake	New 7-1	
	Full 7-15	
7. Horse	New 7-30	
	Full 8-13	
8. Sheep	New 8-28	
	Full 9-12	
9. Monkey	New 9-27	
	Full 10-11	
10 Rooster	New 10-26	
	Full 11-10	
11. Dog	New 11-25	
	Full 12-10	
12. Boar	New 12-24	
	Full 1-9	

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ENERGY OF THE EAST

COMPASS POINT	EAST
NUMBERS	3, 8
ANIMALS	Rabbit & Dragon The rabbit is creative, associated with yin wood & the compass point due east, which is in turn related to fire & wood elements, sibling relations (especially brothers and sisters), springtime, dawn, beginnings of all sorts. The dragon is creative, associated w/ wood and eastern energy.
TIMES	
Daily	Sunrise, 5-7am
Month	4 th moon of the year; – see Moons.
Season	Spring – Vernal Equinox
Quarters	Rabbit inaugurates 2 nd quarter. See Hexagrams.
Years	Every twelve years it is the year of the rabbit. There are 5 elements, so there are five rabbits, one for each element. Thus, every twelve years there is a different rabbit. Here are some Rabbit Years: 1771 1831 1891 1951 2011 metal rabbits 1783 1843 1903 1963 2023 water rabbits 1795 1855 1915 1975 2025 wood rabbits 1807 1867 1927 1987 2047 fire rabbits 1819 1879 1939 1999 2059 earth rabbits
COLORS & SHAPES	Green, blue green, azure vertical cylinders (e.g., tubes & trees) & fire red triangles.
YIN/YANG	East contains both some yin, (through roots, ancestors and sisterhood) and a lot of yang, as sun moving, day breaking/dawning, spring springing, rabbit hopping, wood growing, feet moving, fire burning, son arousing, thunder and lightning, siblings changing. Surely the burning of wood in fire is creative yang at its best.
BODY	Feet, Ligaments, Tissues, Sinews, Muscles, Nails; Eyes, Vision, esp. color; Liver, Spleen, Gall bladder

ODOR Rancid, oily, greasy
TASTE Sour
BODY FLUID Tears
EMOTION Anger, excitement
EXCITED EXPRESSION Gripping
FACULTY Spiritual

CLIMATE Wind
PLANET Jupiter
MOON PHASE Increasing

SITE Water flowing to left of house
LOCUS OF SACRIFICE Doors
SACRIFICE ANIMAL Mutton

MUSICAL NOTE So (*Chio*)
INSTRUMENT Panpipes
MEDIA OF INSTRUMENT Bamboo

OCCUPATION Grocery
TOOL Compass
MINISTRY Agriculture

GRAINS Wheat & barley
VEGETABLES Sprouts, upward growing plants
ALLIUM Leeks
FRUITS Spring fruit, plum

ASPECTS birth, sowing, increasing, gathering, upward, gas, tree, rustic, practical, casual, love nature & children, bearing, growth, initiative, advancement, begin new projects, fortunate forces work on business and character, generate, speed, health, young men, movement, vitality, decisive, vehement, roads.

FAMILY Siblings
(Middle) sister *Li* gives way to (eldest) brother *Chen* in the east. So, siblings are the family relations that are highlighted in general, especially same generation males and females and most particularly, the eldest and middle children and/or the son and daughter, aka brothers and sisters.

TRIGRAMS

Two trigrams meet in and occupy the east: *Li* and *Chen*. the first trigram is *Li*, the middle daughter, the element of fire signifying beginnings. Early heaven energy map shows *Li* in the east & is written as:

Li

3rd	-----	= top	= heaven =	solid line
2nd	---- ----	= middle	= human =	broken line
1st	-----	= bottom	= earth =	solid line

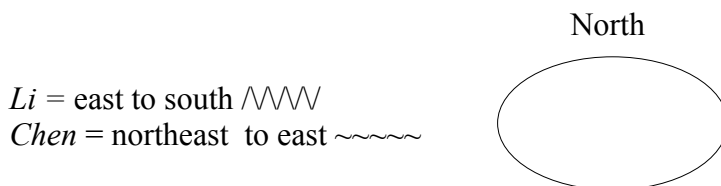
The second trigram to occupy the east, as shown in the Later heaven energy map, is the eldest son, *Chen*. He symbolizes wood, thunder and lightning. The *Chen* trigram lines are distributed as follows:

Chen

3rd	---- ----	= top	= heaven =	broken line
2nd	---- ----	= middle	= human =	broken line
1st	-----	= bottom	= earth =	solid line

To change from *Li* to *Chen* and/or *Chen* to *Li* , the top or heavenly line changes; the human (middle line) and earth do not change.

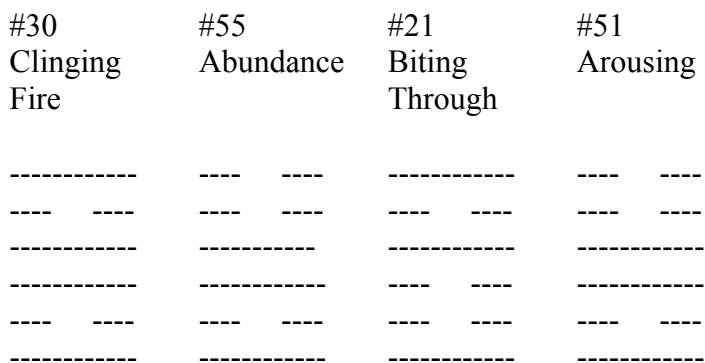
Trigram Paths



HEXAGRAMS

Four hexagrams are associated with the East & Rabbit Years.

1st quarter = #30 = The Clinging Fire (*Li* doubled)
 *2nd quarter = #55 = Abundance (*Li* and *Chen*)
 3rd quarter = #21 = Biting Through (*Chen* and *Li*)
 4th quarter = #51 = Arousing (*Chen* doubled)



Moon::Hexagram

1 st quarter	2 nd quarter	3 rd quarter	4 th quarter
rat	*rabbit	horse	rooster
ox	dragon	sheep	dog
tiger	snake	monkey	boar