

SECRETS OF AYUREVDIC NUTRITION

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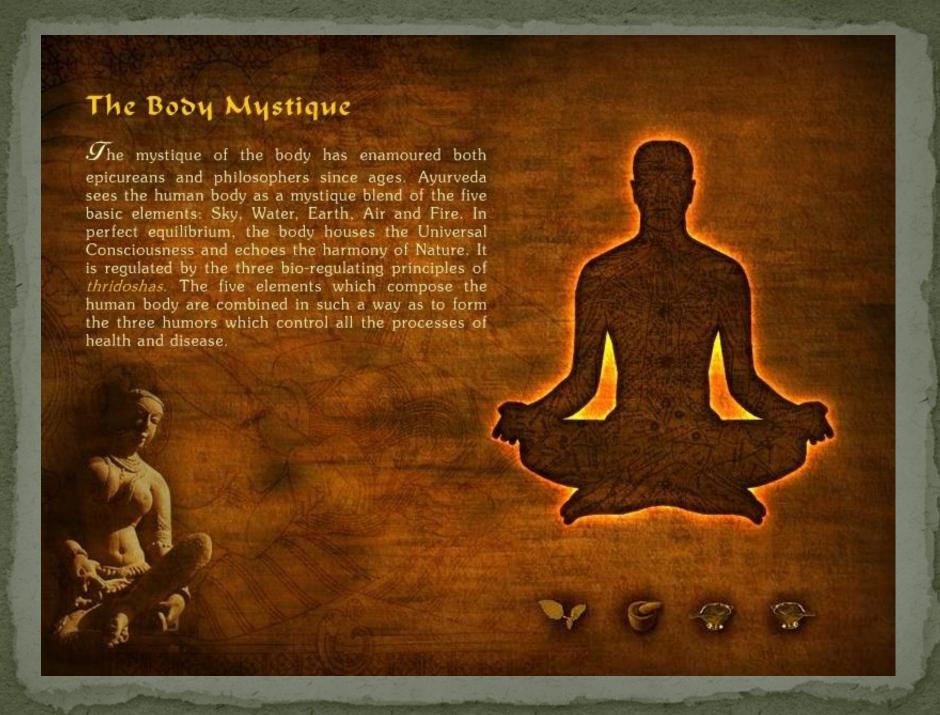


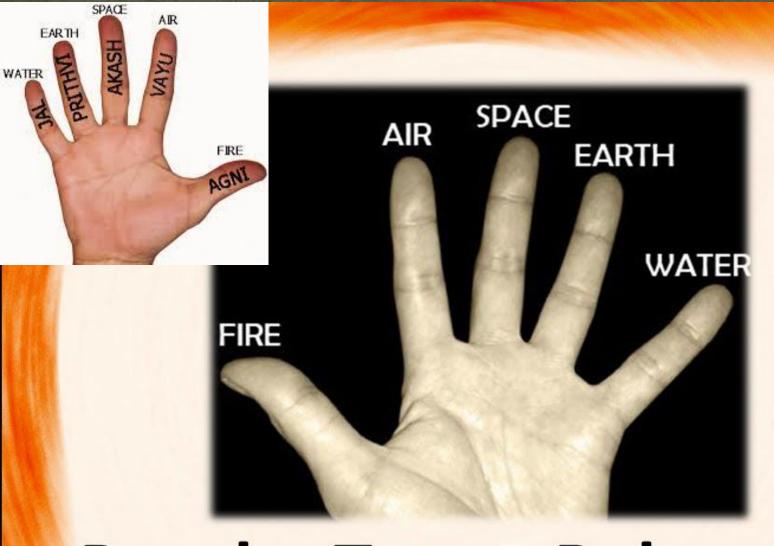
What is Ayurveda?

Ayu = Life
Veda = Science/Knowledge
Hence, ayurveda means the
SCIENCE OF LIFE

Back to Nature; Natural; Herbal; One with Nature!

KNOW YOURSELF!





Pancha Tattva Balancing

The entire Universe = Pancha mahabhutas 5 elements

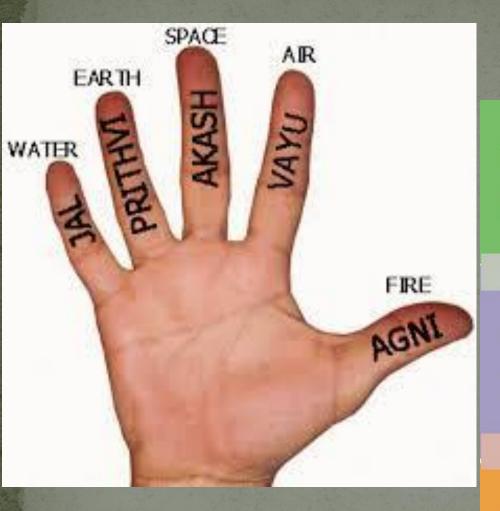
Space: Brain & all hollow Space in the body

Air: Lungs -breath / Prana, Nerve impulses

Fire: Intestine - Acids/Enzymes, digestion

Water: Kidney – Body fluids

Earth: Physical body- Bone, teeth, muscle, fat



DOSHAS

VATA

Qualities reflecting the elements of Space and Air.



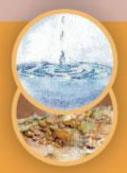
PITTA

Qualities reflecting the elements of Fire and Water.



KAPHA

Qualities reflecting the elements of Water and Earth.



Know Yourself Better!

DOSHA

VATA (air & space)

Cold, Dry, Light

PITTA (fire & air)

Hot, Wet, Light

KAPHA (water & earth)

Cold, Wet, Heavy

What is your constitution?

How to balance with Nature?





CONCEPT OF AGNI: Digestive Capacity (digests food & Maintains life force) VS

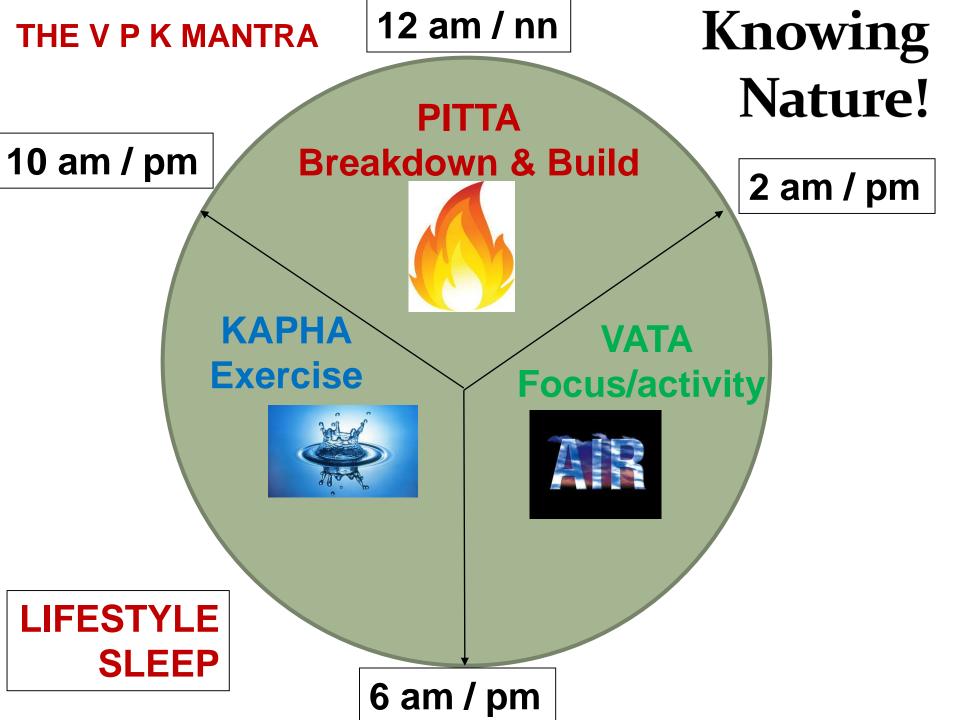
CONCEPT OF AHARA
Food: TASTES

Wh & how much to eat?

HOW MUCH TO EAT?

AIR WATER

FOOD FOOD



	CONVENTIONAL NUTRITION	AYURVEDIC NUTRITION
WHY DO WE EAT?	Image, Looks, Emotions, To Live	For PRANA
NUTRITIONAL ASPECT	Calories	Panchamahabhoota (5 elements)
IMPORTANCE	Calory based diet	Individual Constitution
BALANCE	Balancing diet based on ingredients	Balanced diet based on constitution
DIET	Based on food groups	Based on the 6 tastes
RESULT	You are what you eat!	You are what you digest!

Fats, Oils, and Sweets Use Sparingly

Milk, Yogurt, and Cheese 2-3 Servings

Meat, Poultry,

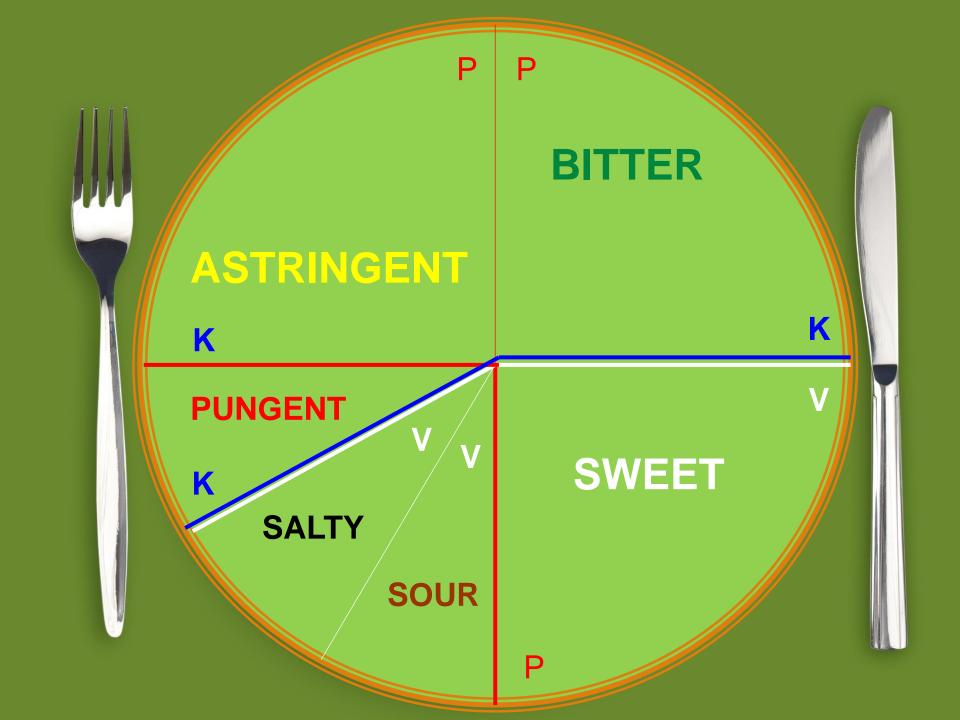
Dry Beans,

Eggs and Nuts

2-3 Servings

Vegetable Group 3-5 Servings Fruit Group 2-4 Servings

Bread, Cereal, Rice, and Pasta Group
6-11 Servings



Diet Modification is based on TASTE!

TASTE	5 ELEMENTS			
Sweet (Madhura)	Water + Earth			
Sour (Amla)	Fire + Earth			
Salty (Lavana)	Fire + Water			
Pungent (Katu)	Fire + Air			
Bitter (Tikta)	Ether + Air			
Astringent (Kashaya)	Earth + Air			

DOSHA	WHAT SHOULD YOU EAT?		
VATA		Sweet, Sour, Salty	
Cold, Dry, Light	2.	Warm, Wet, Heavy	
PITTA	1.	Sweet, Bitter, Astringent	
Hot, Wet, Light	2.	Cold, Dry, Heavy	
KAPHA	1.	Pungent, Bitter, Astringent	
Cold, Wet, Heavy	2.	Warm, Dry, Light	

Hottest			То		Coldest			
Pungent	Sou	r Salty		Sweet		Astringent		Bitter
Heaviest			То		Lightest			
Sweet	Salty	Astri	Astringent		Sour	Pungent		Bitter
Wettest			То		Driest			
Sweet	Salty	Sour	ur Astringent		Bitter	Pur	ngent	

- Sweet: (water+earth)
- Building, calming, ojas
- Grains, milk, fat (ghee)

- Salty: (fire+water)
- Softening-Laxative, removes blocks, nourishes nerves
- Mineral salts, Licorice

- Sour: (earth+fire)
- Stimulates digestion (not liver), Thirst relieving
- Citrus fruits (subacidic-peaches, apricots, cherries), pomogranates, cranberries. NOT
 FERMENTS (yoghurt, wine, beer, pickles)

- Pungent: (fire+air)
- Stimulant, Dilates blood vessels-blood sugar, increases heat & metabolism
- Ginger, pepper (black/long) garlic

- Bitter: (air+space)
- stimulates breath and metabolism (prana).
- Cleanses blood of sweet too
- Leafy greens, herbs, spices (turmeric), neem, coffee, pomogranate

- Astringent: (air+earth)
- Absorbs mucous, eliminates toxins, tightening of tissues
- Triphala (gooseberry), pomogranate,
 cranberry, betel leaf, banana, turmeric, tea

Valuable digestive tonics (pomegranate or cranberry juice) because the

- sourness aids digestion,
- 2) sweetness-the cool quality soothes inflammation, and

astringency restores tone to distended tissues.

DIGESTION

- Good food = good health
- Good digestion = good health
- Each mind/body type digests differently.
 - Agni: Digestive Power
 - Malas: Waste Products
 - Ama : Toxic by-products
 - Ojas: Energy/Vitality/Vigor

Causes of AMA

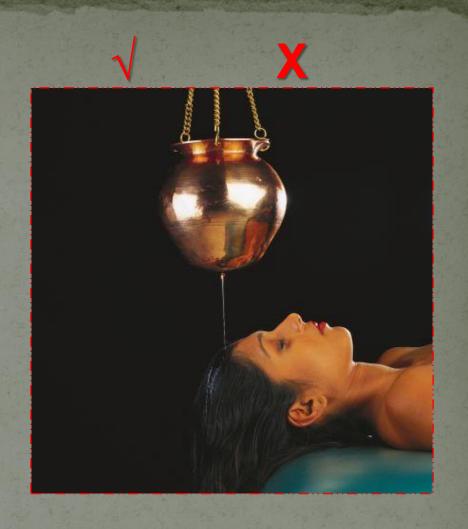
- Having
 - large evening meals
 - Leftover food from the fridge
 - Processed and refrigerated food
 - Processed and refined food
 - Canned food/high heated/microwaved food
 - Poor food combinations

Problems caused by AMA

 Blocks physical channels intestines, lymphatic system, arteries and veins

Blocks non-physical channels
 Nadis through which energy flows

Ayurveda
in
your
daily
LIFE



You are the best person to KNOW YOUR OWN SELF

Ayurvedic Way of Life!

- improving your general health
- WATER the elixir of Life!
- DAILY OIL BATH (ABHAYANGA)
 - Removes toxins and stress chemicals
 - Oil applied on the scalp & hair & body....
 - Note: avoid head bath when sick
 - Body hot water
 - Hair/head cold water



TACKLING COMMON AILMENTS/PROBLEMS

- Home Remedies: Simple and Herbal
 - Preventive
 - Curative
- Common Ailments:
 - Common cold
 - Simple Indigestion
 - Dry/soar Eyes
 - Pain/Inflammation



- TIPS TO TACKLE COMMON COLD: CURATIVE:
- SOAR THROAT: Rock Sugar & Pepper
- Gargle with hot (bearable) salt water every ½ hr or 1 hr







• TIPS TO TACKLE COMMON COLD:

PREVENTIVE:

- TULSI LEAVES
- RASAM (pepper)







• TIPS TO TACKLE COMMON COLD: CURATIVE:

- Avoid Yoghurt (instead use boiled buttermilk)
- Steam Inhalation (for sinusitis)





Drink boiled/hot/warm water and hot rasam (pepper)

• TIPS TO TACKLE COMMON COLD:

Chest congestion: Foamentation



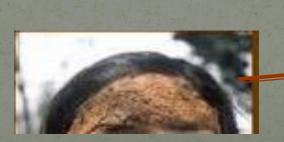
SINUSITIS: KAPHA Imbalance

- TIPS TO TACKLE SINUS HEADACHES:
- & Inflammation in Joints
- Dry Ginger & Milk
- make into paste & apply on forehead











TACKLING DRY EYES: PITTA Imbalance

- TIPS TO TACKLE DRY & SOAR EYES: PREVENTIVE:
- Applying suitable oil on head before bath
 CURATIVE:
- Coriander seeds soaked in water pour into eyes
- Breast milk poured into eyes



TACKLING INDIGESTION

- TIPS TO TACKLE SIMPLE INDIGESTION: CURATIVE:
- <u>For Loose Stools</u>: Boiled buttermilk with turmeric, ginger, curry leaves and skin of pomogranete (if available)



Trikatu: for bloatedness & weak digestion







Triphala









haritaki





amla





vibhitaki



Amla (means:sour) Amalaki – meaning "sustainers" or the fruit where the "goddess of prosperity presides".

Symptoms of AMA

- Coating of the TONGUE
- Feeling tired
- Bad breath
- Foul body odour
- Poor digestion
- Feeling of heaviness & dullness
- EVALUATE YOUR AMA LEVEL!

Detoxification Therapies

- Palliation: SHAMANA
 - Gradual reduction of aggravated doshas
- Purification: SHODHANA
 - Preliminary detox
 - Panchakarma
 - Vamana
 - Virechana
 - Nasyam
 - Vasti
 - Rakthamokshana



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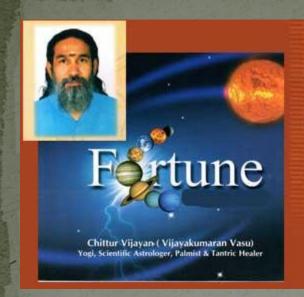












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