THE BAGUA

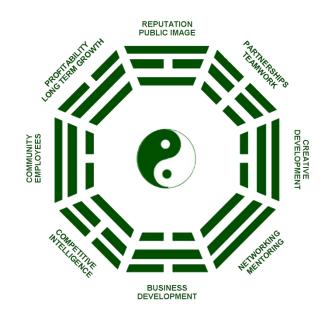


In the practice of Feng Shui, the principle reference symbol of your environment is determined by using a map called a Bagua. Ba means eight, while gua means trigram (area), simply means eight trigrams. The eight sections of the Bagua each represent one of the eight life aspirations and each is attributed to a different facet of one's life. The Bagua symbols derive its significance from the eight trigrams of the I Ching, thereby imparting symbolic meaning to the eight compass directions. The I Ching, or Book of Changes, as it is known in the

west is the principle source of philosophy and symbolism for Feng Shui.

One of the most common uses of the Bagua is to enhance the Feng Shui of your space by identifying the symbols and directions of the life aspirations of your environment. The Bagua is one of the tools used in Feng Shui practices. The eight sided figure which when superimposed on the plan of a home, room or garden - can be used for Feng Shui diagnosis. If you want a simple and efficient means of improving the Feng Shui of your home or garden, then Bagua is the answer.

Understanding the associations and meanings of each 'gua' is the first step in learning to



place the Bagua. Individual guas have unique personalities, symbols, and associated elements. When you know about each element and its meaning, the Bagua tells you how you can make healing enhancements to your space using one or more elements. Wealth, reputation, love, family and health, travel and helpful acquaintances, career, wisdom, children and creativity are the eight life areas or aspirations; each is represented by a corresponding area on the Bagua map.