

	Degree	Sanskrit	Marks of the Degree
1 st Circle	1. Student	<i>Manavaka</i>	Equanimity in all situations, absence of greed and anger
	2. Aspirant	<i>Sadhak</i>	Generosity, forbearance, patience, contentment
	3. Master Student	<i>Vidyanta</i>	Humility, understanding
2 nd Circle	4. Lamp	<i>Deepa</i>	Taking a chosen divinity (<i>ishtha devata</i>); contacting tutelary spirit
	5. Throne	<i>Simhasana</i>	Puja practice; establishment of shrines
	6. Rosary	<i>Mala</i>	Perpetual remembrance of God / gods; personal devotion
3 rd Circle	7. Trident	<i>Trishula</i>	Meditation on three qualities (<i>gunas</i>), identification with Atman
	8. Drum	<i>Damaru</i>	Interior silence, avoidance of unnecessary activity
	9. Proficient	<i>Siddha</i>	Readily enter Samadhi, receive supernatural guidance