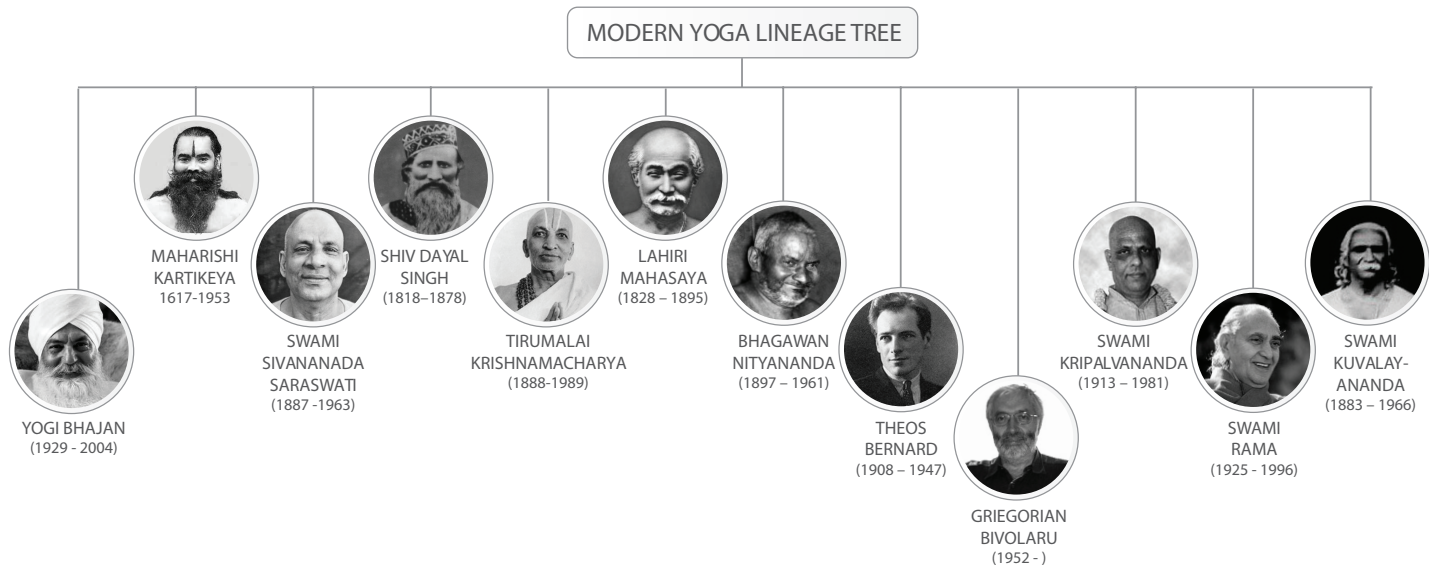


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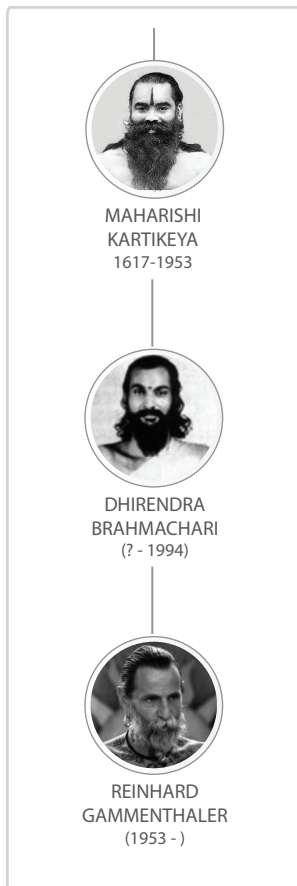


## Yogi Bhajan (1929 - 2004)

**Site:** [www.3ho.org](http://www.3ho.org)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=GK4307fPaPY](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GK4307fPaPY)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Harbhajan\\_Singh\\_Yogi](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Harbhajan_Singh_Yogi)



## Maharishi Kartikeya 1617-1953

**About:** [www.kundalini-yoga.ch/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=30&Itemid=46&lang=english](http://www.kundalini-yoga.ch/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=30&Itemid=46&lang=english)

## Dhirendra Brahmachari (? - 1994)

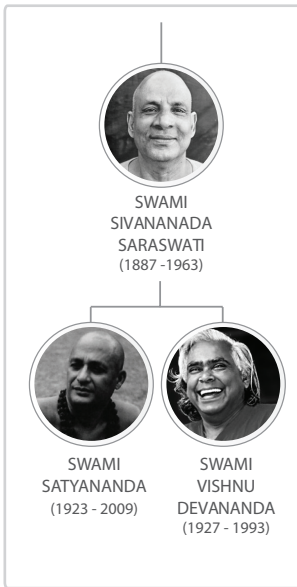
**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dhirendra\\_Brahmachari](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dhirendra_Brahmachari)

## Reinhard Gammenthaler (1953 - )

**Site:** [www.kundalini-yoga.ch](http://www.kundalini-yoga.ch)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=4eQ4NFgsMul](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4eQ4NFgsMul)

**About:** [www.kundalini-yoga.ch/index.php](http://www.kundalini-yoga.ch/index.php)



## Swami Sivananda Saraswati (1887 -1963)

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**Site:** [www.sivananda.org](http://www.sivananda.org)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=hojebi2rVF8](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hojebi2rVF8)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Swami\\_Sivananda](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Swami_Sivananda)

### Swami Satyananda Saraswati (Bihar) (1923 - 2009)

**Site:** [www.yogavision.net/bsy/about.htm](http://www.yogavision.net/bsy/about.htm)

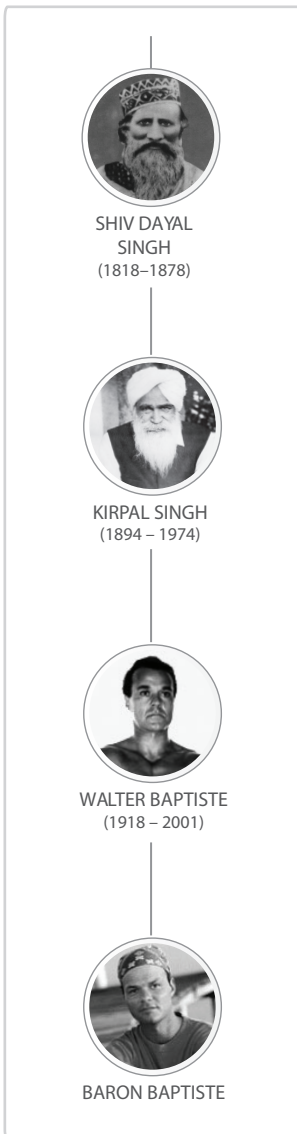
**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Swami\\_Satyananda\\_Saraswati](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Swami_Satyananda_Saraswati)

### Swami Vishnu-Devananda (Sivananda Yoga) (1927 - 1993)

**Site:** [www.vishnuyoga.org](http://www.vishnuyoga.org)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=ehyIvSvZonM](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ehyIvSvZonM)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Swami\\_Vishnu-devananda](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Swami_Vishnu-devananda)



## Shiv Dayal Singh (1818–1878) Shabd Yoga

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**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shiv\\_Dayal\\_Singh](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shiv_Dayal_Singh)

### Kirpal Singh (1894 – 1974)

**Site:** [/www.ruhanisatsangusa.org/](http://www.ruhanisatsangusa.org/)

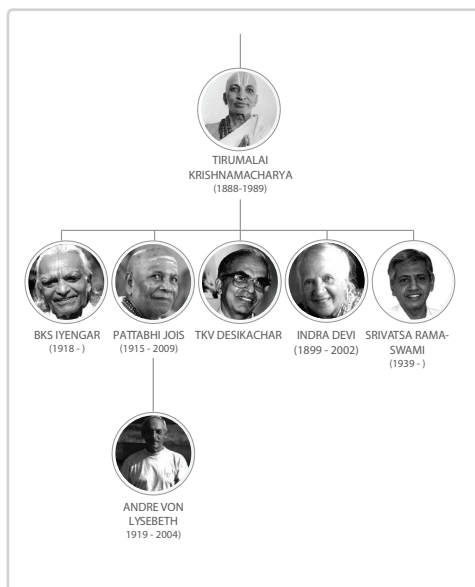
### Walter Baptiste (1918 – 2001)

**About:** [www.baronbaptiste.com/pages/waltmemorial](http://www.baronbaptiste.com/pages/waltmemorial)

### Baron Baptiste (Power Yoga)

**Site:** [www.baronbaptiste.com](http://www.baronbaptiste.com)

**About:** [www.baronbaptiste.com/pages/baron.htm](http://www.baronbaptiste.com/pages/baron.htm)



## Tirumalai Krishnamacharya (1888-1989)

**Site:** [www.kym.org](http://www.kym.org)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=cd\\_eTupTCbl](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cd_eTupTCbl)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tirumalai\\_Krishnamacharya](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tirumalai_Krishnamacharya)

### BKS Iyengar (1918 - )

**Site:** [www.bksiyengar.com](http://www.bksiyengar.com)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=lmOUZQi\\_6Tw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lmOUZQi_6Tw)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/B.\\_K.\\_S.\\_Iyengar](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/B._K._S._Iyengar)

### Pattabhi Jois (1915 - 2009)

**Site:** [www.kpjayi.org](http://www.kpjayi.org)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=uQGRq00xqbl](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uQGRq00xqbl)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/K.\\_Pattabhi\\_Jois](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/K._Pattabhi_Jois)

### Andre Von Lysebeth (1919 - 2004)

**Site:** [www.yogavanlysebeth.com](http://www.yogavanlysebeth.com)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=cd\\_eTupTCbl](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cd_eTupTCbl)

**About:** [http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/André\\_Van\\_Lysebeth](http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/André_Van_Lysebeth)

### TKV Desikachar

**Site:** [www.kym.org/sub\\_abt\\_ourfounder.html](http://www.kym.org/sub_abt_ourfounder.html)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=ylllRQr2xh0](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ylllRQr2xh0)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/TKV\\_Desikachar](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/TKV_Desikachar)

### Indra Devi (1899 - 2002)

**Site:** [www.fundacion-indra-devi.org](http://www.fundacion-indra-devi.org)

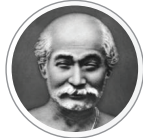
**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=QpUcgfZ44f8](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QpUcgfZ44f8)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Indra\\_Devi](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Indra_Devi)

### Srivatsa Ramaswami (1939 - ) Vinyasa Krama

**Site:** [www.vinyasakrama.com](http://www.vinyasakrama.com)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Srivatsa\\_Ramaswami](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Srivatsa_Ramaswami)



LAHIRI  
MAHASAYA  
(1828 - 1895)



SRI YUKESHWAR  
(1855 - 1936)



PARAMAHAMSA  
YOGANANDA  
(1893 - 1952)



BISHNU GHOSH  
(1903 - 1970)



BIKRAM CHOUDHURY  
(1946 -)

## Lahiri Mahasaya (1828 – 1895)

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**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lahiri\\_Mahasaya](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lahiri_Mahasaya)

### Sri Yukteswar (1855 – 1936)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=FygdYhu2oTc](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FygdYhu2oTc)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sri\\_Yukteswar\\_Giri](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sri_Yukteswar_Giri)

### Paramahansa Yogananda (1893 - 1952)

**Site:** [www.yogananda-srf.org](http://www.yogananda-srf.org)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=8XvxwCyLdnw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8XvxwCyLdnw)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paramahansa\\_Yogananda](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paramahansa_Yogananda)

### Bishnu Ghosh

**Site:** [www.ghoshsyoga.com](http://www.ghoshsyoga.com)

**About:** [www.ghoshsyoga.com/adver/106879family-background.html](http://www.ghoshsyoga.com/adver/106879family-background.html)

### Bikram Choudry

**Site:** [www.bikramyoga.com](http://www.bikramyoga.com)

**Video:** [www.strimoo.com/video/12320308/Bikram-Choudhury-MySpaceVideos.html](http://www.strimoo.com/video/12320308/Bikram-Choudhury-MySpaceVideos.html)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bikram\\_Choudhury](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bikram_Choudhury)



BHAGAWAN  
NITYANANDA  
(1897 - 1961)



SWAMI  
MUKTANANDA  
(1908 - 1982)



SWAMI  
CHIDVILAS-  
ANANDA  
(1955 - )

## Bhagawan Nityananda (1897 – 1961)

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**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=WFIBf--DyCI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WFIBf--DyCI)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bhagawan\\_Nityananda](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bhagawan_Nityananda)

## Swami Muktananda (1908 - 1982) (Siddha Yoga)

**Site:** [www.siddhayoga.org](http://www.siddhayoga.org)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=4-z9zTl8iJ0](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4-z9zTl8iJ0)

**About:** <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muktananda>

## Gurumayi Chidvilasananda (1955 - )

**Site:** [www.siddhayoga.org/guru/index.aspx](http://www.siddhayoga.org/guru/index.aspx)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=4-z9zTl8iJ0](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4-z9zTl8iJ0)

**About:** <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chidvilasananda>

## Theos Bernard (1908 – 1947)

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**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Theos\\_Casimir\\_Bernard](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Theos_Casimir_Bernard)



GRIEGORIAN  
BIVOLARU  
(1952 - )



SWAMI  
VIVEKANANDA  
SARASWATI  
(1962 - )

## Griegorian Bivolaru (1952 - ) MISA

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**Site:** [www.yogaesoteric.net/content.aspx?lang=EN](http://www.yogaesoteric.net/content.aspx?lang=EN)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=LcE1cfUP\\_Xo](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LcE1cfUP_Xo)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Griegorian\\_Bivolaru](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Griegorian_Bivolaru)

## Swami Vivekananda Saraswati (1962 - ) Agama Yoga

**Site:** [www.agamayoga](http://www.agamayoga)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=DGdIQnTgc0k](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DGdIQnTgc0k)

**About:** [www.agamayoga.com/teachers/swami/](http://www.agamayoga.com/teachers/swami/)



SWAMI  
KRIPALVANANDA  
(1913 - 1981)



AMRIT DESAI  
(1932 - )



KRIPALU YOGA  
CENTER



SWAMI  
RAMA  
(1925 - 1996)



PANDIT  
RAJMANI  
TIGUNAIT

## Swami Kripalvananda (1913 -1981)

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**Site:** [www.lifemission.org/](http://www.lifemission.org/)

**About:** [/www.lifemission.org/swami\\_kripalvanand.htm](http://www.lifemission.org/swami_kripalvanand.htm)

### Amrit Desai (1932 - )

**Site:** [www.amrityoga.org](http://www.amrityoga.org)

**Video:** <http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=6594081877021270206#>

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amrit\\_Desai](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amrit_Desai)

### Kripalu Yoga Center

**Site:** [www.kripalu.org](http://www.kripalu.org)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=LcE1cfUP\\_Xo](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LcE1cfUP_Xo)

**About:** [www.kripalu.org/about\\_us/7](http://www.kripalu.org/about_us/7)

## Swami Rama (1925 - 1996)

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**Site:** [www.himalayaninstitute.org](http://www.himalayaninstitute.org)

**Video:** [//www.youtube.com/watch?v=37NWEpQyp6A](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=37NWEpQyp6A)

**About:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Swami\\_Rama](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Swami_Rama)

### Pandit Rajmani Tigunait

**Site:** [www.himalayaninstitute.org](http://www.himalayaninstitute.org)

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=nwz90GN0U5U](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nwz90GN0U5U)

**About:** [www.himalayaninstitute.org/pandittigunait/PanditTigunait.aspx](http://www.himalayaninstitute.org/pandittigunait/PanditTigunait.aspx)

## Swami Kuvalayananda (1883 – 1966)

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**Site:** [www.kdham.com](http://www.kdham.com)

**About:** [www.answers.com/topic/swami-kuvalayananda](http://www.answers.com/topic/swami-kuvalayananda)

## Yoga Tree Disclaimer

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It's a big Yoga world out there today! This chart is by no means complete. It also isn't meant in any way to be a list of recommended teachers and/or lineages of Hatha Yoga. We've tried to offer a good sense for the major traditions of Yoga, especially those that have either specialized in or led to the development of a unique form of Hatha Yoga. Also, for the most part, we have chosen not to include contemporary teachers of a particular lineage, if they are teaching an already-established style of Yoga.

So, for example, Andre Von Lysebeth is listed as the only successor of Pattabhi Jois, because of the major and original contributions he brought to 20th century Hatha Yoga – but the tree does not include the many contemporary Ashtanga Vinyasa and Iyengar Yoga teachers out there today (but we are happy that you're out there, and we thank you for your gift of Yoga!)

Having said all that, if you would like to see a lineage of Hatha Yoga listed here that is currently missing from the chart, send us an email with all the relevant history, bios, links, and, if possible, photos, and we'll see what we can do to include it. Thanks!