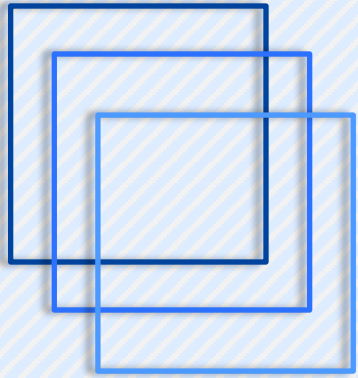
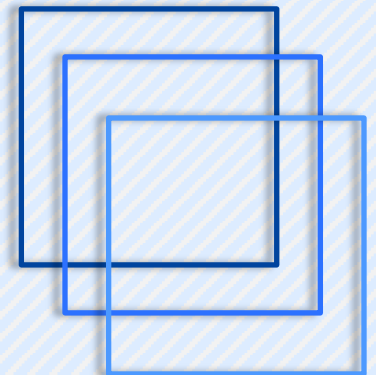




Magic Squares In Indian Culture

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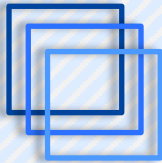


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- CULTURE IN ANY CIVILIZATION MANIFESTS IN MANY LEVELS.
- BROADLY WE CAN CLASSIFY INTO THREE CATEGORIES
- FOLKLORE
- WRITTEN LITERATURE AND
- ARTS

Magic Squares In Indian Culture

- Magic Squares are part and parcel of Indian folklore.
- In any retail shop in bazaars of India, we can always see a framed metal foil containing magic chants and a magic square.
- The shop owners give lot of respect to this frame and worship once a week, Tuesday/Friday



Commonly Seen Magic Squares



Shree Sampurna Kuber – Lakshmi Yantram

8	1	6
3	5	7
4	9	2

- ❑ Placed in Office / Home / Shop
- ❑ Worshipped for Wealth, Fame , Prosperity and Success



Shree Kuber Yantram

27	20	25
22	24	26
23	28	21

A 3x3 magic square with numbers embossed on a metallic surface. The numbers are arranged in a grid. A blue arrow points from the central '24' to the '24' in the text block below.

- ❑ Placed/Hung in North or East facing direction in Office / Home / Shop
- ❑ Lord Kuber's lucky number is 72

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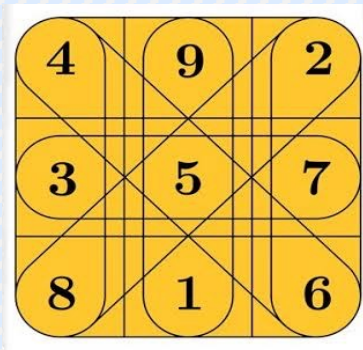
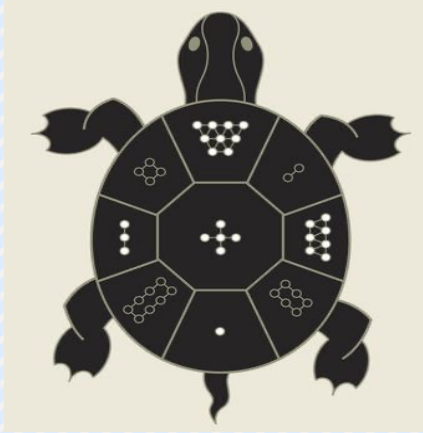


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Shree Navagraha Yantram

- ❑ A combined yantra for all the nine planets and is divided into nine squares, each with a talisman representing one of the nine planets.
- ❑ Placed in the East Direction facing West
- ❑ Worshipped seek the benevolence of nine grahas/planets

First Magic Square



8	1	6
3	5	7
4	9	2

During 650 BC, the times of great floods in China, Emperor Yu was walking along the river Lo. While the king tried to channel the water out to the sea, a turtle emerged from the river. It's shell had a unique pattern of 45 circular dots arranged in a 3×3 grid. The arrangement was such that sum of the numbers in each row, column and diagonal was the same: 15

As the legend goes, the interpretation of this grid pattern guided the people to control the river water flow there by protecting themselves from floods

This 3X3 grid is popularly known as '**Lo Shu Magic square**'.

Feng shui, the new religious system started in China, is in part based on the **lo shu**.

Every normal magic square of order three is obtained from the Lo Shu by rotation or reflection. For example, the Magic square seen in Indian **Shree Lakshmi Kubera Yantram** (Slide 1) is obtained by rotating Lo Shu Square as can be seen here.

Lo-Shu Magic Square Construction

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

Step 1

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

Step 2

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

Step 3

1	2	7
4	5	6
3	8	9

Step 4

		2		
	9		7	
4		5		6
	3		1	
		8		

Step 5

4	9	2
3	5	7
8	1	6

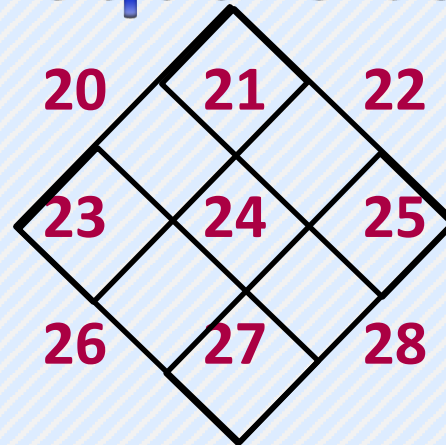
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Kubera Yantram

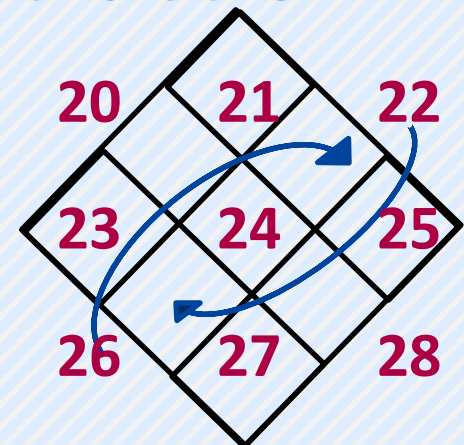
Magic Square construction

20	21	22
23	24	25
26	27	28

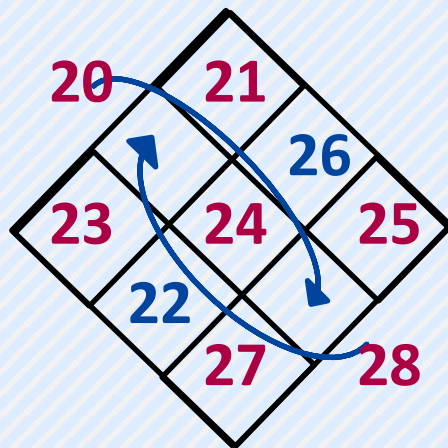
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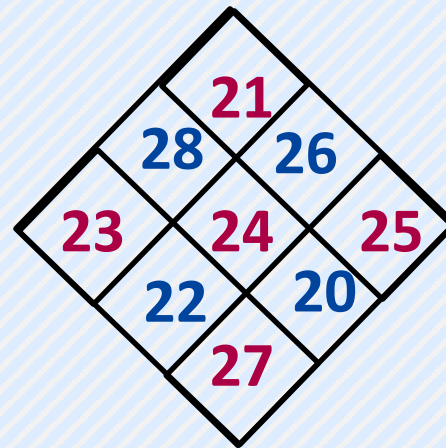
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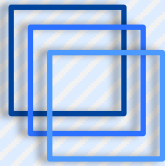
Magic Square on pillar of a temple at Palani

Period: 8th Century

- ❑ A 3X3 Magic square found on the pillar which when added in any direction, the numbers total to 15, which is the number associated with the temple's deity.



2	7	6
9	5	1
4	3	8



Magic Square on pillar of Parshvanatha temple at Khajuraho

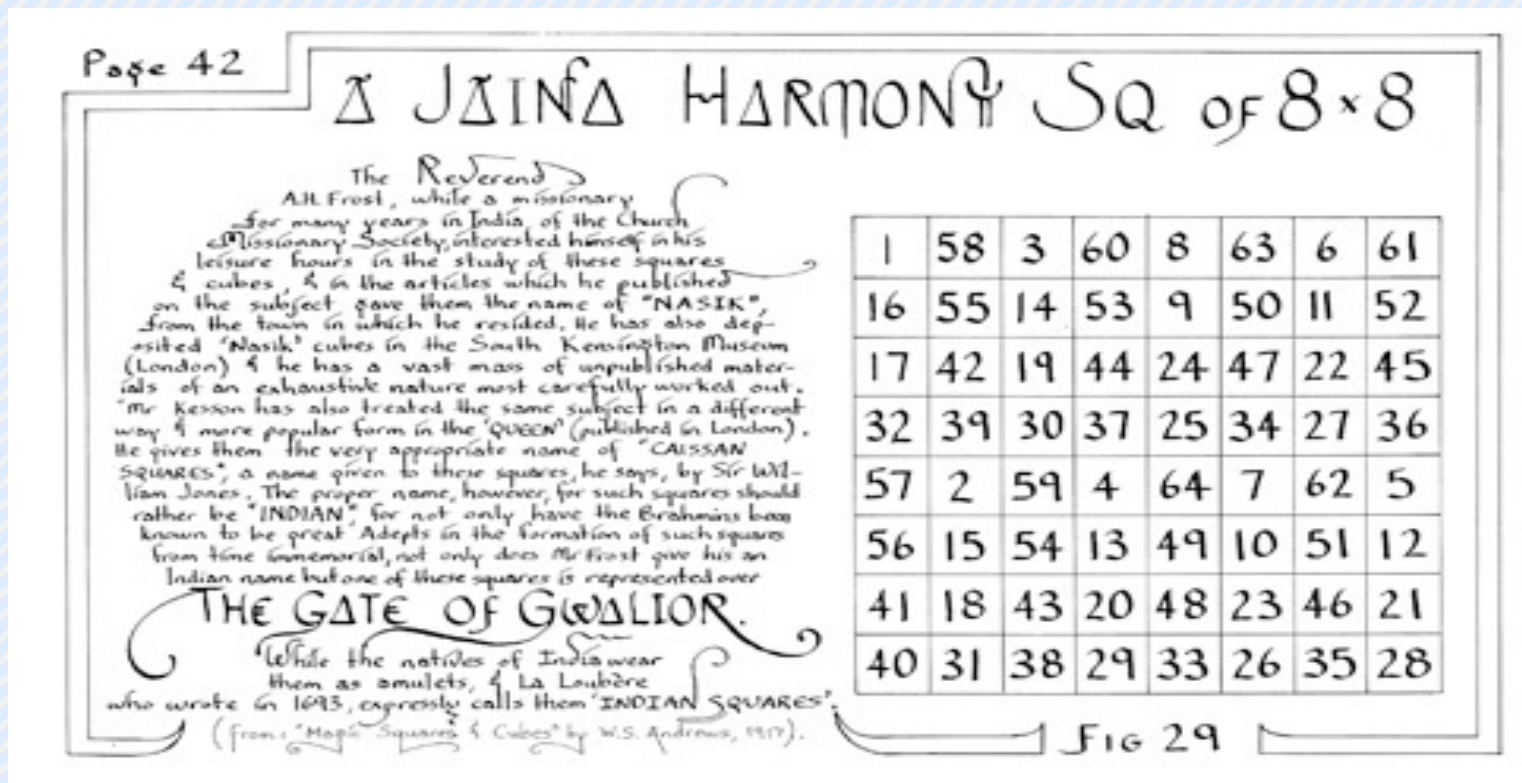
Period: 10th Century

- ❑ A 4X4 Magic square containing all the numbers from 1 to 16 is found on one of the pillars of this Jain temple
- ❑ This magic square is called Chautisa Yantra (the word "chautisa" means 34)
- ❑ It is one of the most Perfect Magic Square



Magic Squares On Gwalior Market Gate

A 8*8 Magic square is found on the entrance of Gwalior fort above the gate. The magic constant of this square is 260.



Sri Rama Chakra in Sringeri Sharada Peetham Panchangam

- Sri Rama chakra, a 4*4 magic square, is given in the Hindu almanac .
- It is used to predict one's future.

ஸ்ரீ ராமர் சக்கரம்			
9	16	5	4
7	2	11	14
12	13	8	1
6	3	10	15

1. நாசம்	9. துக்கம்
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3. காரியஸித்தி	11. ஜயம்
4. ஸர்வானுகூலம்	12. தீர்க்காயுஸ்
5. மரணம்	13. வெற்றி
6. குலக்ஷயம்	14. காரிய ஸித்தி
7. விவாஹம்	15. பூலாபம்
8. காரியநாசம்	16. பந்து தரிசனம்





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9	16	5	4
7	2	11	14
12	13	8	1
6	3	10	15

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6	8	7	10
1	4	11	2
5	9	3	12
16	14	13	15

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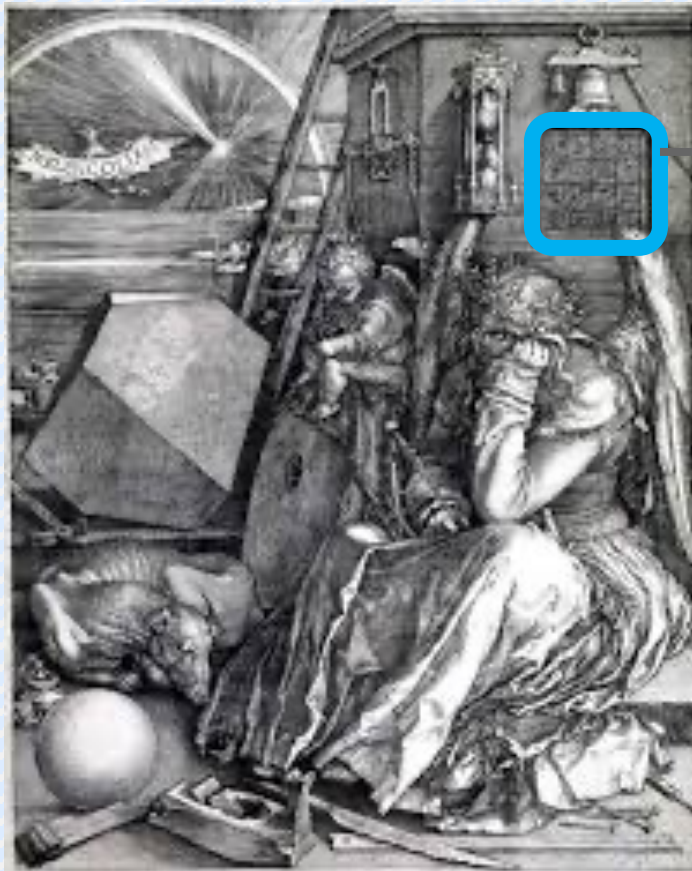
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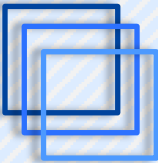
Vastu Magic Square Used in India

Albercht Durer, a German artist and Mathematician, engraved **Melencolia** in 1514.

- The engraving shows a sad winged woman seated amidst symbols and tools associated with carpentry, craft, geometry, alchemy and numerology.
- Behind her is a structure with a 4*4 magic square with the magic constant 34.
- The year 1514 can be seen in the last row of this magic square.



16	3	2	13
5	10	11	8
9	6	7	12
4	15	14	1







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