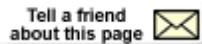


Find out how you can avoid the wrath of Tai Sui, Grand Duke, Three Sha, year breaker, 3 killings, Sui Po, Three Killings and all other annual Feng Shui afflictions in the year of the Snake 2013...

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Every year, we are faced with a long list of tedious tasks and chores to complete throughout the year involving maintenance of the house, office, shop and garden. Personally, as the year seems to fly past for myself, I need to make sure that I take care when I am doing maintenance around my home and so should you if you are to try and avoid the fury of Tai Sui (Grand Duke), Sui Po, the Three Killings and more in 2013. If you are doing work in the southeast, east or northwest of your property you will need to take very special care as this is where they are located in the year of the snake.

Many people have asked me how to calculate or foresee these afflicted areas in future so that they are able to plan ahead, especially for renovation. You will find this information below; you may also be interested to know that our **Feng Shui 2013 software** will calculate for every year ahead and many other features too long to list here.

The Three Killings (aka three sha) is a direct translation from the Chinese 'San Sha'. Although the perception of The Three Killings is associated with three earthly branches, its position is defined according to one of the four cardinal compass directions, namely North (water), East (wood), South (fire) and West (metal).

The twelve earthly branches are matched into four groups of harmonious alliances (trinities). If we are to establish the location of The Three Killings, we must explore the trinities of the earthly branches and their phases first. The four trinities are:

Rat, Monkey and Dragon (Water phase) to the North
Sheep, Rabbit and Boar (Wood phase) to the East
Tiger, Dog and Horse (Fire phase) to the South
Snake, Rooster and Ox (Metal phase) to the West

These earthly branches are not The Three Killings; they simply indicate the position of The Three Killings. The Three Killings sits in the opposite cardinal direction (spanning 90 degrees) of the phase represented by the year's earthly branch.

For example:

2004 earthly branch was the Monkey. Monkey belongs to the trinity of the water phase to the north. As such, The Three Killings sits in the south. I.e. 135° to 225°. Another example:

2005 earthly branch was the Rooster belonging to the trinity of the metal phase to the west. This means The Three Killings sat in the east during the year 2005.

The best solution for this is to not disturb the ground where the Three Killings sits. You should take special care with this if the house faces the same direction as the Three Killings. If the location of the Three Killings is disturbed by noisy renovation or digging activities, there may be unwanted consequences for the residents which could involve poor health, loss of wealth, mishap, injury and, in extreme cases, the occupants could face fatalities.

If you have a front door that you frequently use that faces the Three Killings' direction in any year, this is considered a disturbance due to the constant opening and closing of the door and heavy noise levels. You should take a lot of care as to not slam the door as the Three Killings can be a lot more settled if the door is opened and shut calmly. The traditional cure is to place a pair of Chi Lin (Temple Lions – Fu Dogs) just inside the door facing outwards.

So in 2013 if your door is in the east or west, you should follow our **annual advice** and place a pair of Fu Dogs/Temple Lions by your door and try to avoid using the door if this is possible although I can appreciate that this is easier said than done.

What about cutting the grass in my garden?

The traditional cure for this is to place a six rod hollow metal wind chime between the property and the garden (or the place of disturbance). You can if you want use any metal object but the ideal cure would be to place a metal wind chime with six hollow metal rods. There is another traditional school of thought that advises placing a symbolic statue of deities. One famously used deity is the God of wealth "Tsai Shen Yeh".

Tsai Shen Yeh is one of the most powerful and popular Chinese Gods of Wealth who is normally depicted wearing a dragon robe and sitting on a tiger.

He is also known at times as Lu Hsing the Star God of Wealth.

He carries a gold ingot and a sword. After he returned from a forest after studying the Tao, he was seen riding a black tiger in all directions and carrying a sword to ward off evil influences. He is not meant to be worshipped but is there to symbolise money and wealth and attracts the same into the house.

Feng Shui also advises that you should never sit with your back to the Three Killings but should always sit facing it. Every year we receive hundreds of emails asking about the positioning of sofa chairs in the living room. You are advised not to sit with your back to the Three Killings but this doesn't refer to isolated incidents as much; it is prolonged periods of time spent in this position that affect you more. Avoid having your back to the east in 2013.

For example: if you sit at your office desk with your back to the Three Killings (east in 2013), this could affect your relationship with colleagues and can also affect your performance of work. These effects may consist of poor presentation, complications, lack of focus or loss of concentration. There may also be rumours and back stabbing. If it is not possible for you to move your desk so that you are not sitting with your back to the Three Killings direction, your best option is to place a pair of Chi Lin on your desk facing the Three Killings direction.

Tai Sui which is also known as Grand Duke Jupiter is also named the Year Star and its position is represented by the earthly branch of the year. The positions of the twelve earthly branches are: Rat (north), Ox and Tiger (northeast), Rabbit (east), Dragon and Snake (southeast), Horse (south), Sheep and Monkey (southwest), Rooster (west) and Dog and Boar (northwest).

2004 was the year of the monkey and Tai Sui sat southwest. 2005 was the rooster year and Tai Sui sat in the west (262.5 - 277.5), 2006 was the dog year and Tai Sui sat northwest (292.5 - 307.5), 2007 Tai Sui sat in the northwest (322.5 - 337.5), 2008 was the year of the Rat so Tai Sui sat north (352.5 - 7.5), 2009 was the year of the Ox so Tai Sui Grand Duke sat in the northeast (22.5 - 37.5). 2013 is the year of the rabbit so Tai Sui Grand Duke sits in the east (262.5-277.5).

Unlike San Sha Three Killings, it is not advisable to sit facing Tai Sui. You may sit with your back to Tai Sui for support but the ideal solution would be to avoid sitting or facing Tai Sui all together. If your front door or office desk faces the direction of Tai Sui in any given year, the traditional cure is to place a Dragon Pi Yao or Dragon headed Tortoise in the northwest sector of your home or office facing southeast to settle its pressure. I must strongly advise you not to disturb the ground of the location where Tai Sui sits for the year (southeast in 2013).

The 2013 Annual Feng Shui Afflictions:

The Three Killings - is a direct translation from the Chinese 'San Sha'. This annual affliction is mostly in the east (52.5° to 127.5°). It is imperative that you do not undertake any form of noisy renovations or re-decorative work in the east part of your house or office between February 4th 2013 and February 3rd 2014. Nor should you disturb the ground by digging holes, digging foundations or conduct any maintenance work with any noisy equipment in this area inside or outside your property or garden. Once disturbed, this affliction can bring about three types of misfortunes - financial loss, sickness and arguments. This is the worst out of all the annual afflictions and in our home and business we take this very seriously as in our 32 years' experience with Feng Shui we have seen some pretty nasty events from this energy when disturbed.

Apart from not disturbing its ground, there are two other rules you should follow regarding the Three Killings. Firstly, if you are moving your desk around this year, never sit with your back to this direction (east). Secondly, it is better to face (east) this direction, especially if this is one of your four favourable personal directions.

With the very inauspicious #3 Lu Chun star also visiting the east palace in 2013 it can cause bad luck and legal problems and needs very specific cures and of course when you combine all this destructive energy with the even more destructive three killings you need the best cure available in the east in 2013. You need a special cure - this special cure comes standard with all our 2013 annual cures and enhancers kits.

If your front door faces the east in 2013, place a pair of Fu Dogs just inside the house looking outwards as protective guardians for the year. You can also place a Ba Gua mirror outside in the east.

If you have to carry out work or emergency repairs in the east place a six hollow metal rod wind chime between the buildings and where the work is being carried out and ideally you

should contact a professional Feng Shui Consultant to select an auspicious date to start the work or you can use our Tong Shu software.

Tai Sui (The Grand Duke of Jupiter) resides between 142.5° - 157.5° southeast. Do not take this affliction lightly. Do not disturb the ground in the southeast at all costs. Southeast facing properties with front doors to the southeast must be careful not to allow the doors to slam and do not renovate or dig in this part for 2013.

Sui Po (The year breaker)

Sui Po year breaker occupies the 15 degree mountain directly opposite Tai Sui Grand Duke, which for 2013 is northwest (322.5 – 337.5). You should treat this area with the same respect as the other annual afflictions with no groundbreaking work, renovations or any noisy activities. If disturbed this area can and normally cause immediate health problems especially for the elderly or sick so please be very careful. If you have to carry out work or emergency repairs in the northwest place a six hollow metal rod wind chime between the buildings and where the work is being carried out and ideally you should contact a professional consultant to select a favourable date to start the work.

The annual five yellow has flown to the centre in 2013 and because the centre has no gender this is not good and the reason why so many specialist cures are needed in 2013. It is highly recommended not to disturb the centre of your home or business with noisy activities, renovations or maintenance work. When disturbed, the Five Yellow can bring disaster, sickness, lawsuit and major loss of wealth so please be very careful in the centre in 2013, it is very afflicted.

Please do not start worrying if your bedroom or office are located in the east or southeast, just start preparing to place your 2013 cures and enhancers kit to ensure a trouble free year, and of course make sure you sign up for our **free monthly newsletter** so you are kept up to date with the monthly flying stars giving you even more control of your destiny. To give you even better control use our advanced recently updated **Feng Shui 2013 software** as this gives advanced analysis of every home or office facing any direction in any part of the world.

How far do we take the advice we give?

We will also be placing all the 2013 cures in the southwest to help dissipate the negative energy that is here for the year. Am I concerned about the southwest this year? Not in the least, having good Feng Shui is actually being aware of potential dangers and making allowances and placing cures, you can and will avoid many problems. Last year in 2013 we had the same problems in our driveway entry to the office in the southeast and we sailed through with no real problems at all.

What can I do if I NEED to repair a driveway or have a similar renovation?

If your garden is in the southeast, east or northwest in 2013, obviously you should avoid disturbing the ground this year but some things just can't be left; for example overgrown trees or a driveway that is completely destroyed. If you can't avoid building work or digging, use the following rules to reduce any harm that may result. In 2008 we had to replace our large driveway that fell in the north, northwest and northeast and whilst some of these areas were affected, 2008 was the best year to do the work and if we left it till 2013 it would have caused us many problems, we employed extra builders (6 in total) to ensure the work was done over 6 days as even the monthly stars can have an influence. With placing all the cures in 2008 and also placing a six rod wind chime in the NW we had no problems at all.

- Place a six-rod metal wind chime between your house and building work whilst the work is being done
- Start trimming or mowing from a different corner of the garden. Let us say your garden is in the southeast of the property. You should remember to start your garden work from the northeast or south corner of the garden as this carries an auspicious energy in 2013.
- The simple thing to remember is **AVOID** doing heavy work here and no digging or breaking ground, I have seen some nasty repercussions created from disturbing these afflictions in a year way too many times.

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