## 32 Sword Form

## Standard 32 Movements Taijiquan Sword Form

Chinese National Physical Education Committee 1957 Orthodox 32 Swordplay Form A Sword Form in the Yang Style of T'ai Chi Ch'uan Swordplay

- 1. Three Rings Around the Moon
- 2. The Big Dipper
- 3. The Swallow Skims Across the Water
- 4. Carrying Sword to the Right
- 5. Carrying Sword to the Left
- 6. Sounding the Sea (The Little Dipper)
- 7. Holding the Moon
- 8. The Birds Return to the Forest Trees at Dusk
- 9. The Black Dragon Whips Its Tail
- 10. The Green Dragon Emerges from the Water
- 11. Turning Around and Carrying the Sword
- 12. Stepping Back and Carrying the Sword
- 13. The Tiger Holds Its Head
- 14. The Wild Horse Leaps Over the Creek
- 15. Cutting Upwards in Left Empty Stance
- 16. Scooping the Moon from the Bottom of the Sea

*Tai Chi: The 32 Sword Forms.* Instructional VHS videotape. Presentation by Dr. Paul Lam. ASIN: B00005U59Y. 95 minutes. Step by step teaching, slow and normal speeds, multiple views. East Action Video, Narwee, Australia, 1996.

*Tai Chi Sword: The 32 Simplified Forms.* By Guangqi, Li; Chen, Zhao PhD; and Don G. Shao (Compiler). Agilceed Books, England, 2006. 176 pages. ISBN: 0976118327. Simple and clear line drawings. Large but mediocre quality photos. Large print style of text. Fairly clear, but brief explanations of each movement sequence. Questions and answers, references, and a list of movement names: literal, figurative, and in Chinese. Inclues a brief commentary on Tai Chi swordplay.

*32 Taijiquan Sword Form Webpage*. Bibliography, links, lists, study tools, and instructions. Illustrations (black and white line art), descriptions and analysis of all the movements in the standard 32 sword form.

Webpage: http://www.egreenway.com/taichichuan/sword32.htm

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