

8 SABRE (DAO) METHODS

taken from *Tai Chi Sabre Sword Spear*
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PI (1st tone)

to chop/split/slash from various angles

CI (4th tone)

to stab/pierce

TAN (4th tone)

to search out - slashing upwards to the groin

TUO (1st tone)

to push up - left hand supports the blade

TI (2nd tone)

to lift - an upwards diversion

LIAO (3rd tone)

to stir - a diversion and slash in a continuous movement

CHEN (2nd tone)

to sink - diverting an attack by pressing downwards

LU (4th tone)

to divert an attack to the side