



## AJAHN BRAHMALI

Ajahn Brahmāli was born in Norway in 1964. He first became interested in Buddhism and meditation in his early 20s, whilst on a visit to Japan.

After hearing teachings from Ajahn Brahm, he decided to travel to Australia to train at Bodhinyana Monastery where he took full ordination in 1996, with Ajahn Brahm as his preceptor.

Ajahn Brahmāli is renowned for his excellent knowledge of the Pali language and his enthusiasm for teaching the suttas. He is also well known as a scholar of the Vinaya—the monastic rules and procedures.

Ajahn Brahmāli's clear and insightful talks help make the Buddha's teachings accessible to all. He is regularly invited to conduct retreats in Australia, South-East Asia, Sri Lanka, and Europe.



## BHANTE BODHIDHAJA

Bhante Bodhidhaja, (born 1982) in Switzerland was introduced to Buddhism at an early age by a neighbour. After graduation Bhante worked as a primary school teacher and chose social work as an alternative for compulsory military training in Switzerland.

At the age of 21, while on a visit to India in 2003, Bhante took on a temporary ordination under the late Acharya Buddhakhita who gave him the monastic name Bodhidhaja and since kept the same name in memory of his Teacher.

From late 2006 Bhante spent time living, practising and serving as a lay person in different Monastic communities around the world. Upon returning to Perth in 2010 he became an Anagarika followed by being a novice and higher ordination in 2012 under Ajahn Brahm.



## BHANTE MUDITO

Bhante Mudito (born 1979) is a Buddhist monk ordained by Ajahn Brahm in Bodhinyana Monastery. He has been a fully ordained monk for 9 years.

Bhante Mudito grew up in a family farm in a remote village in Northern Finland. For about five years, he tried a variety of jobs including being a chef, translator, office worker and truck driver. These jobs took him to USA and though he lived life in the big cities, he felt that he needed a purpose in life. It was in New York that he chanced upon Ajahn Brahm who was on his book tour. The stars aligned....It was love at first sight and the rest is history!

Bhante picked Mudito as his name because Muditā means sympathetic joy. He chose to live his life as a monk because he believes this path leads to contentment, to happiness.