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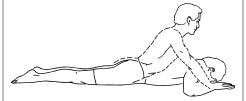
BACK - 1 On Elbows (Prone)



Rise up on elbows as high as possible, keeping hips on floor. Hold <u>20-30</u> seconds.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>1-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>2-3</u> sessions per day.

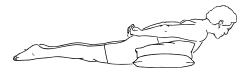
BACK - 2 Press-Up



Press upper body upward, keeping hips in contact with floor. Keep lower back and buttocks relaxed. Hold $\underline{20\text{--}30}$ seconds.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-3</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 3 Upper Body Extension



With pillow supporting abdomen, clasp hands behind back and lift upper body from floor. Keep chin tucked while lifting.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>1-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-3</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 4 Hip Extension (Prone)



Lift left leg <u>6-8</u> inches from floor, keeping knee locked.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session.

Do 1-2 sessions per day.

BACK - 5 Arm / Leg Lift: Opposite (Prone)

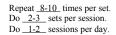


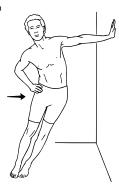
Lift right leg and opposite arm <u>8-10</u> inches from floor, keeping knee locked.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-3</u> sessions per day.

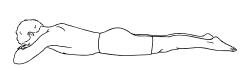
BACK - 6 Wall Lean Stretch







BACK - 7 Gluteal Sets



Tighten buttocks while pressing pelvis to floor. Hold <u>20-30</u> seconds.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 8 Hip Extension (All-Fours)



Lift right leg back with knee slightly flexed. Do not arch

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-3</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 9 Upper Body Extension (All-Fours)



Raise $\underline{\text{right}}$ arm in front. Do not arch neck. Be sure to keep back flat.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 14 Angry Cat Stretch



Tuck chin and tighten stomach, arching back.

Repeat 8-10 times per set. Do 2-3 sets per

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 16 Lower Trunk Rotation Stretch



Keeping back flat and feet together, rotate knees to <u>left</u> side. Hold <u>20-30</u> seconds.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 17 Lower Back Stretch (Sitting)



Sit in chair with knees spread apart. Bend forward to floor. A comfortable stretch should be felt in lower back. Hold <u>20-30</u> seconds.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

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BACK - 18 Knee-to-Chest Stretch: Unilateral



With hand behind $\underline{\text{right}}$ knee, pull knee in to chest until a comfortable stretch is felt in lower back and buttocks. Keep back relaxed. Hold $\underline{20\text{--}30}$ seconds.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

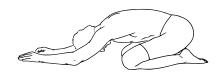
BACK - 19 Knee-to-Chest Stretch: Bilateral



With hands behind knees, pull both knees in to chest until a comfortable stretch is felt in lower back and buttocks. Keep back relaxed. Hold 20-30 seconds.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

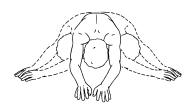
BACK - 20 Mid-Back Stretch



Push chest toward floor, reaching forward as far as possible. Hold 20-30 seconds.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 21 Mid-Back Rotation Stretch



Reach to each side as far as possible, keeping chest low to floor. Hold <u>20-30</u> seconds.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 22 Pelvic Tilt



Flatten back by tightening stomach muscles and buttocks. Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 23 Curl-Up: Phase 1



With arms at sides, tilt pelvis to flatten back. Raise head and shoulders from floor. Use arms to support trunk if necessary.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

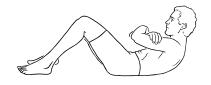
BACK - 24 Diagonal Curl-Up: Phase 1



With arms at sides, tilt pelvis to flatten back. Raise head and shoulders, rotating to <u>left</u> side as shoulder blades clear floor

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 25 Curl-Up: Phase 2



Keeping arms folded across chest, tilt pelvis to flatten back. Raise head and shoulders from floor.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

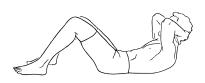
BACK - 26 Diagonal Curl-Up: Phase 2



Keeping arms folded across chest, tilt pelvis to flatten back. Lift head and shoulders from floor while rotating to <u>left</u>

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 27 Curl-Up: Phase 3



Keeping hands clasped behind head to support neck, tilt pelvis to flatten back. Raise head and shoulders from surface.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 33 Hamstring Stretch



Reach down along <u>right</u> leg until a comfortable stretch is felt in back of thigh. Be sure to keep knee straight. Hold <u>20-30</u> seconds.

Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set. Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session. Do <u>1-3</u> sessions per day.

BACK - 35 Lumbar Rotation (Non-Weight Bearing)



Repeat <u>8-10</u> times per set.

Do <u>2-3</u> sets per session.

Do <u>1-2</u> sessions per day.



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