### Good for:

- Improving overall health and stamina
- Developing your upper and lower body
- Increasing lean muscle definition
- Shoulder and neck development.

# 1) Single-arm side-raise

## Technique:

- Stand upright whilst holding a 3 4 kg dumbbell at your one side.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Inhale whilst lifting dumbbell sideways and upwards to shoulder level.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually lower dumbbell back to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times using one arm.
- Alternate hands and repeat exercise on opposite side whilst allowing your arm some time to recover.
- Change back and repeat same exercise 12 times on each side in order to complete second set.

### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Combine this workout with our Core Strength Development and Core Flexibility Stretches.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

### Watch for:

- Keep your arm straight.
- Avoid swinging your dumbbell, (if you have to, your dumbbell may be too heavy).

#### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

- One 3 4 kg set of dumbbells.
- One 6 10 kg set of dumbbells.













## Good for:

• Back and arm development.

## 2) Bent-over side-raise

## Technique:

- Lean forwards and support your upper body on a table or chair with one hand.
- Hold one 3 4 kg dumbbell in your one hand.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Inhale whilst lifting dumbbell outwards and upwards to shoulder level.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually lower dumbbell back to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times using same arm.
- Alternate hands and repeat exercise on opposite side whilst allowing your arm some time to recover.
- Change back and repeat same exercise 12 times on each side to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Combine this workout with our Core Strength Development and Core Flexibility Stretches.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

#### Watch for:

- Keep your arm straight.
- Avoid swinging your dumbbell, (if you have to, your dumbbell may be too heavy).

#### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

- One 3 4 kg set of dumbbells.
- A chair













## Good for:

• Shoulder and back development.

# 3) Single-arm front-raise

## Technique:

- Stand upright whilst holding one 3 4 kg dumbbell in one hand.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Inhale whilst lifting dumbbell forwards and upwards.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually lower dumbbell back to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times using same arm.
- Alternate hands and repeat exercise on other side whilst allowing your arm some time to recover.
- Change back and repeat same exercise 12 times on each side to complete second set.

### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time

#### Watch for:

- Keep your arm straight.
- Avoid swinging your dumbbell, (if you have to, your dumbbell may be too heavy).

#### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

- One 3 4 kg set of dumbbells.
- One 6 10 kg set of dumbbells.











## Good for:

• Triceps and chest development

## 4) Overhead extension

## Technique:

- Sit upright whilst holding one 6 10 kg dumbbell with both hands behind your head with bent elbows.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Inhale, straighten your arm whilst lifting the dumbbell upwards above you head.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually lower dumbbell back to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times.
- Give your body a short break to recover.
- Repeat same exercise 12 times to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time

#### Watch for:

- Knocking yourself on the head.
- Avoid pushing your head to far forwards when you bring the dumbbell to the starting position.

### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

- One 6 10 kg set of dumbbells.
- A chair













## Good for:

• Chest and arm development.

# 5) Dumbbell floor-press

## Technique:

- Lie on mat holding two 6 10 kg dumbbells with bent arms at right angles in front of your body.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Inhale whilst pushing dumbbells upwards.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually lower dumbbells back to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times.
- Give your body a short break to recover.
- Repeat same exercise 12 times to complete second set

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

#### Watch for:

• Arching your lower back as you push dumbbells upwards.

### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

- One 6-10 kg set of dumbbells.
- One padded exercise mat.













## Good for:

• Upper arm and shoulder development.

## 6) Single-arm row

## Technique:

- Lean forward and support your upper body on a table or chair with one hand.
- Hold a 6 10 kg dumbbell in a relaxed position in your one hand.
- Inhale whilst raising elbow backwards and upwards.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually lower dumbbell back to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times using same arm.
- Alternate hands and repeat exercise on other side whilst allowing your arm some time to recover.
- Change back and repeat same exercise 12 times on each side to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

### Watch for:

Keep spine and neck straight.

### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

- One 6 10 kg set of dumbbells.
- A chair.













## Good for:

• Upper arm development.

# 7) Single-arm curl

## Technique:

- Sit upright whilst holding a 6 10 kg dumbbell in each hand.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Inhale whilst lifting one dumbbell upwards towards your shoulder.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually lower dumbbell back to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times using same arm.
- Alternate hands and repeat exercise on other side whilst allowing your arm some time to recover.
- Change back and repeat same exercise 12 times on each side to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

#### Watch for:

• Avoid leaning forwards or backwards.

#### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

- One 6 10 kg set of dumbbells.
- Achair.













## Good for:

• Upper leg and buttock development.

## 8) Dumbbell half-lunge

## Technique:

- Stand upright with feet together whilst holding a
- 6 10 kg dumbbell in each hand.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Inhale whilst taking a half-step forwards and lowering your hips.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually return to starting position.
- Change legs and repeat with opposite leg.
- Repeat exercise 10 times on each leg to complete one set.
- Give your body a short break to recover.
- Repeat same exercise 12 times to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

#### Watch for:

- Keep your back straight.
- Keep your knee directly over your big toe.

#### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

## What you will need

• One 6 - 10 kg set of dumbbells.











## Good for:

• Upper leg and buttock development.

# 9) Dumbbell half-squats

## Technique:

- Stand upright with your feet hip-width apart whilst holding a 6 10 kg dumbbell in each hand.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Inhale whilst bending knees to 45° whist lowering your hips.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually return back to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times.
- Proceed to the next exercise (number 10) in order to allow your upper leg muscles some time to recover.
- Once one set of the next exercise has been completed, return and repeat same exercise 12 times to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

#### Watch for:

- Keep your back upright.
- Do not bend your knee beyond your toe.

#### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

### What you will need

• One 6 - 10 kg set of dumbbells.











## Good for:

• Lower leg and calf muscle development

# 10) Dumbbell calf-raises

## Technique:

- Stand upright with your feet hip-width apart whilst holding a 6 10 kg dumbbell in each hand.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Raise your upper body and stand on the balls of your feet.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually lower dumbbell back to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 20 times to complete one set.
- Return back to the previous exercise (number 9) in order to allow your calf muscles some time to recover.
- Once this has been done, repeat this exercise 22 times to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

### Watch for:

- Keep your body straight.
- Do this exercise on the floor rather than mat to assists with balance.

### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

## What you will need

One 6 - 10 kg set of dumbbells.











## Good for:

• Spinal flexibility and strength.

# 11) Dumbbell side-bend

## Technique:

- Stand upright with your feet apart whilst holding one 6-10 kg dumbbell next to your hip.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Inhale whilst bending sideways and downwards sliding the dumbbell down your leg.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually lower dumbbell back to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times.
- Alternate hands and repeat exercise on other side whilst allowing your back some time to recover.
- Change back and repeat same exercise 12 times on each side to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

#### Watch for:

• Avoid leaning over too far.

### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

## What you will need

One 6 - 10 kg set of dumbbells.













### Good for:

• Upper abdominal muscle development.

## 12) Half crunches

## Technique:

- Lie on mat and place your hands behind your head.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Exhale and pull your head slightly forwards by contracting your upper abdominal muscles.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually return to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times to complete one set.
- Proceed to the next exercise (number 13) in order to allow your upper abdominal muscles some time to recover.
- Return back to this exercise and repeat 12 times to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

#### Watch for:

- Avoid pulling on your head or neck and rely on your abdominal muscles to do the work.
- You may hold a tennis ball under your chin as an additional precaution to avoid strain on the neck

#### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

## What you will need

• One padded exercise mat.













## Good for:

• Lower abdominal muscle development.

## 13) Reverse crunch

## Technique:

- Lie on mat with your knees bent upwards and the palms of your hand placed on mat.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Exhale and pull your knees towards your chest by contracting your lower abdominal muscles and hips.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually return to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times to complete one set.
- Return back to the previous exercise (number 12) in order to allow your lower abdominal muscles some time to recover.
- Once this has been done, repeat this exercise 12 times to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

#### Watch for:

• Ensure that your back remains flat on the mat during exercise.

### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

## What you will need

One padded exercise mat.













## Good for:

• Upper leg and buttock development.

## 14) Hip raise

## Technique:

- Lie on mat with your knees bent upwards and the palms of your hand placed on mat.
- Stabilise your spine by pulling your navel inwards and upwards.
- Exhale and push your hips upwards to straighten your body.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually return to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times to complete one set.
- Proceed to the next exercise (number 15) in order to allow your back muscles some time to recover.
- Return back to this exercise and repeat 12 times to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

#### Watch for:

• Keep pelvis horizontal at all times.

### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

## What you will need

One padded exercise mat.













## Good for:

• Core muscle development.

# 15) Sling

## Technique:

- Lie on mat with your knees bent upwards and your feet flat on the mat.
- Raise one knee and apply slight pressure to your knee with the opposite hand.
- Exhale and create resistance by pushing your hand downwards against your knee whilst pushing upwards with your leg.
- Hold for a count of one.
- Exhale and gradually return to starting position.
- Repeat exercise 10 times whist alternating between sides to complete one set.
- Return back to the previous exercise (number 14) in order to allow your abdominal muscles some time to recover.
- Once this has been done, repeat this exercise 12 times to complete second set.

#### For best results:

- Repeat this workout 3 5 times a week.
- Increase the number of your repetitions gradually as you gain strength over time.

#### Watch for:

• Keep your head on the mat and avoid bending your neck.

#### Avoid doing if:

This exercise aggravates or causes pain.

## What you will need

• One padded exercise mat.











