Shoulder Saver Workouts

Exercises (A-K)

Alternating Lateral Lunges







- Stand straight, feet shoulder width apart
- → Step out with one leg into a side lunge position
- → Keep on leg straight, feet flat on the ground and the other leg bent
- → Place hands down in front of body between the legs
- → Bend over at upper body keeping spine neutral
- Push off strongly, pivot lead foot 180 degrees and rotate body lunging in the other direction
- → Continue to alternate directions with the lateral lunge

Ankle Circles







- → Stand straight, hands by sides, feet underneath shoulders
- → Lift one foot off the ground keeping leg straight
- → Slowly rotate one ankle in circles for desired reps
- → Switch to the other ankle

Ankle Mobility Up And Down





- → Stand straight, hands by sides, feet underneath shoulders
- ightarrow Lift one foot off the ground keeping leg straight
- → Slowly move one ankle up and down in for desired reps
- → Switch to the other ankle

Arm Pull Overhead







- → Stand straight, hands by sides, feet underneath shoulders
- → Reach one arm over head
- → Grab that wrist of this arm with the opposite hand
- → Actively stretch arm overhead
- → Hold for 2 seconds, relax and repeat
- → Perform for desired reps and switch to other arm

Backhand Volley Bands







- → Attach resistance bands with harness to post
- → Attach handle for ease of use
- → Stand straight while facing sideways holding handle with dominant hand
- → Turn the body to the side to be in a high backhand volley position
- → Create tension in the band and begin moving band imitating a high backhand volley
- → Return to original position and repeat for desired reps
- → Switch to other side

Ballet Curtsies









- → Stand straight with feet slightly wider than shoulder width apart
- ightarrow Cross one leg behind the other and squat down, dropping back knee
- → Feel stretch in outside hip of front leg
- → Return to starting position
- \rightarrow Repeat by crossing other leg behind

Birddogs







- → Begin on all fours, spine and neck neutral, brace the core
- → Reach back slowly with one leg keeping it straight
- → At the same time, reach out he opposite arm, keeping it straight
- → Avoid rotating the hips as much as possible
- $\,\rightarrow\,$ Return to starting position and repeat for desired reps
- → Switch to other side

Blackburns









- → Lay flat on mat, facing down arm straight overhead, legs straight
- → Move arms down by side and rotate palms so that they are palm up above glutes
- → Lift arms and hands above glutes
- → Move arms back to original position while rotating palms
- → Repeat for desired reps

Bowler Squats







- → Stand straight with feet close together, lift right foot off ground
- → Reach forward with right hand across body attempting to touch the ground
- → Feel right leg slightly bent extending back for balance
- ightarrow Keep front knee slightly bent while bending over
- → Return to starting position
- → Repeat for desired reps and switch to other leg

Chest Opener Active Stretch





- → Stand next to door opening or corner of wall
- → Reach up with one arm and grab opening
- → Keep arm relatively straight and turn away form the opening
- → Feel in active stretch in the chest area
- → Hold the stretch for 2 seconds and relax back to original position
- → Repeat for desired reps and switch to the other side

Chin Tucks Standing





- → Stand straight, feet shoulder width apart, looking forward
- → Tuck chin down toward chest
- → Return to original position and repeat for desired reps

Clams







- → Lay on side with legs together, knees bent at 90 degree angle
- → Lift top knee up in controlled manner
- → Feel the top hip activate and engage
- → Return to original position and repeat for desired reps
- → Switch to the other side

Crab Walk Table Top Fingers Back







- → Begin on all fours, hands and feet firmly placed on ground
- → Fingers face away the feet
- → Lift glutes slightly off the ground walk with hand and feet on the ground
- → Shuffle in both directions
- → After a few seconds, pause the movement and lift the glutes higher into a tabletop position
- → Squeeze the glutes for 1-2 seconds
- → Relax back down so glutes are just off the ground and resume walking

Crab Walk Table Top Fingers Forward







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Cradle Walks







- ightarrow Stand straight with feet shoulder width apart
- ightarrow Grab ankle and foot with both hands, pulling bent leg upward toward chest
- → Come up on toe of standing leg if possible (advanced version)
- ightarrow Feel stretch in glute and upper hamstring
- → Release leg back down return to starting position
- → Step forward with and repeat with other leg

Egyptians





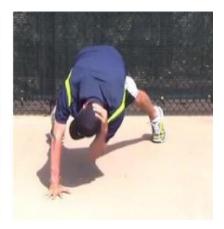


- → Stand straight, hands by sides, feet underneath shoulders
- → Lifted arms straight out to side keeping them straight as depicted, looking left
- → Look right while alternating arm position
- → Repeat

Extension Rotation 3 Point







- → Begin in plank position with feet and hand spread wide
- → Bring one hand behind head with arm bent
- ightarrow Rotate torso and elbow down toward the opposite hand on ground
- → Rotate back up towards original position
- \rightarrow Repeat for desired reps
- → Switch to the other side

Extension Rotation All 4s







- → Begin on all fours, spine and neck neutral, brace the core
- → Bring one hand behind head with arm bent
- → Rotate torso and elbow down toward the opposite hand on ground
- → Rotate back up towards the sky opening the chest
- → Repeat for desired reps
- → Switch to the other side

Face Pulls Bands







- → Attach resistance bands with harness to post
- → Stand straight while facing toward a post in a neutral stance
- → Grab the band with hands spread about 6-12 inches apart
- → Create tension in the band and pull it up and back towards the forehead
- ightarrow Feel a squeeze behind the shoulder blade
- → Let the band move back into the original position

Floor Press







- → Lay flat on back, feet flat on ground, dumbbells in both hands
- → Knees bent with both feet flat on ground
- → Press one dumbbell up with one hand for the desired number of reps
- → Press the other dumbbell up for the desired number of reps

Foam Roller Thoracic







- → Place foam roller on ground and lay down so that it rests on the mid back (thoracic spine)
- → Place hand on chest, bend knees, and keep feet firmly on the ground
- → Lift glutes off the ground and roll up and back massaging the spine
- → Focus on the shoulder blade to mid-back area

Foam Roller Thoracic Openers







- → Place foam roller on ground and lay down so that it rests on the mid back (thoracic spine)
- → Place hand behind head, bend knees, and keep feet firmly on the ground
- → Arch over foam roller feeling chest open
- → Move to a new area and repeat
- → Avoid using low back to arch

Glute Bridge





- ightarrow Lay flat on back with both feet flat on ground, arms out at an angle with palms up
- → Push hips up until they form straight line from knees to shoulders
- → Feel glutes working
- → Slowly return to starting position
- → Repeat for desired reps

Hand Switches 1 Hand Off









- → Place a slightly elevated platform (few inches off the ground) in front of you
- → Get into a plank position resting both hands on the platform
- → Move one hand to side and place on the ground
- → Bring same hand back to platform
- → Move other hand to side and place on ground
- → Bring that hand back to platform
- → Repeat for desired reps

Hip Opener Active Stretch







- ightarrow Kneel down with one knee in contact with ground
- → Place other floor firmly on ground with leg at 90 degree angle
- → Squeeze glute on kneeling leg
- → Keep upper body upright and spine neutral throughout
- → Lean forward and hold the stretch for 2 seconds
- → This movement doesn't have to be long to feel a stretch
- → Move back to original position and repeat for desired reps
- → Switch to other side

Hip Opener Quad







- → This is an advanced exercise
- → Kneel down with one knee in contact with ground
- → Place other floor firmly on ground with leg at 90 degree angle
- → Keep other knee in contact with ground
- → Reach back and grab back foot with hand and pull toward glute
- → Use a band to grab foot if it's not possible with hand
- → While holding back foot leg, lean forward to feel active stretch in quad and hip flexor
- → Hold the stretch for 2 seconds
- → This movement doesn't have to be long to feel a stretch
- → Move back to original position and repeat for desired reps
- → Switch to other side

Hip Opener Rotation









- → Kneel down with one knee in contact with ground
- → Place other floor firmly on ground with leg at 90 degree angle
- → Squeeze glute on kneeling leg
- → Keep upper body upright and spine neutral throughout
- → Lean forward while rotating torso in one direction
- → Hold the stretch for 2 seconds
- → This movement doesn't have to be long to feel a stretch
- → Rotate torso in other direction feeling the stretch
- → Move back to original position and repeat for desired reps
- → Switch to other side

Inch Worms







- → Begin in a plank position
- → Start to walk feet up towards the hands into a V position
- \rightarrow Get feet as close to hands as possible in the V Position
- → Walk hands back down away from feet until the plank position is reached
- → Repeat for desired reps

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