

Working Out at Home

Think you can't get a great workout at home, think again! In 30 minutes or less, without expensive equipment, you can improve balance and flexibility, sculpt muscle, AND burn calories.

Bodyweight exercises are exercises that use your own body weight as resistance. Performing bodyweight exercises, one exercise after another with minimal rest in between, is known as circuit training. Circuit training, including cardio and strength exercises, is one of the most efficient and effective forms of exercise.

To create your own circuit workout, start with a brief warm-up for 3-5 minutes. Then choose 3-5 exercises from group A and group B, 6-10 exercises total. Perform the exercises (30-60 seconds each), alternating group A and group B exercises, repeating the cycle 3-5 times. Finish and cool-down with some gentle stretching.

Sample Workout

Warm Up

Standing Toe Taps - 1 minute Side Steps/Lateral Shuffle - 1 minute March in Place - 1 minute Crunches - 25 reps

Bodyweight Circuit (repeat 3-5 times)

Jumping Jacks – 25 reps
Squats – 15 reps
High Knees – 30 reps
Push Ups – 15 reps
Mountain Climbers – 30 reps
Shoeshine/Shadow Boxing – 30 reps
Jump Rope – 30 reps
Plank – 30 seconds

Cool Down

Gentle Stretching

Exercise Inventory

Group A

High Knees
Butt Kicks
Jumping Jacks
Lateral Bounds
Mountain Climbers

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Group B

Squats Lateral Squats

Walking Lunges Reverse Lunges

Push Ups

Shoeshine/Shadow Boxing

Triceps Dips

Planks/Side Planks

Glute Bridges

For more circuit training workouts, check out these apps:

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