Upper Limb Stretching Programme



Tick the required exercise below

1. Lat Stretch





- Start in a kneeling position
- Sit back onto your heels and walk your hand forward as far as you can to feel a stretch across your back and shoulders.
- Hold forSeconds
- If you have a gym ball you try this stretch with your arms on top of the ball.





- Stand in the corner of a room
- Place your hands on the wall either side of the corner just above shoulder height
- Lean your body forward to feel a stretch across your chest
- Hold for...... Seconds

3. Upper traps Stretch



- In a seated or lying position, place one hand behind your back or by your side
- Place the other hand on the top of your head and bring your ear to your shoulder
- Hold the stretch forseconds

4. Shoulder/triceps stretch



- Reach one hand across to pass the opposite shoulder
- With the other hand, push back just above the elbow to feel a stretch in the shoulder and back of the arm
- Hold for seconds

5. Thread the needle shoulder stretch



- Start in a 4 point kneeling postion
- Come down onto your elbows
- Slide one arm underneath you as if you are "threading a needle" Hold forseconds
- Then repeat on the other side

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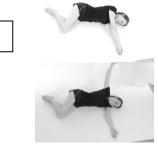
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4. Pectoral + Biceps Stretch



6. Arm Openings





8. Triceps stretch



9. Wrist and arm stretch



10. Wrist stretch





- Reach both arms behind your back with fingers interlocked
- Reach back until you feel a stretch across your chest and arms
- Hold for seconds

- Lie on your side with your hips and knees bent and head resting on a small pillow.
- Rest your arms out in front one on top of the
- Lift your upper arm and draw an arc with it so your upper body rotates towards the ceiling.
- Repeat times.
- Reach one hand behind and down your back
- Grasp the arm with your other hand just above the elbow
- Hold forseconds
- In a 4 point kneeling position
- Turn your hands around to face 6 o'clock
- Try to push your elbows straight
- Hold for.....seconds
- Using your other hand stretch your wrist back and hold for.....seconds
- Then stretch your wrist forward and hold for.....seconds

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