The 14-Day At-Home Workout Plan

Use this total-body training guide to get fitter and stronger—every single day

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We created this 2-week fitness template specifically for these times.

To complete the exercises, you don't need a huge space or any equipment. For extra load, you can use a backpack stuffed with books or cans.

Each session builds on the one before it, hitting different muscle groups in a variety of ways. In fact, this workout plan is designed to help you:

Grow stronger in all the ways you move.

One of the downsides of some of the free workouts populating the online space? They work your body in one direction—usually forward and back or up and down (called the sagittal plane). Think pushups, lunges, and squats.

When you do exclusively sagittal plane exercises, you can bias your body's movement and positioning out of balance. You lock more tension and strength into the patterns and muscles that drive sagittal motion. Without creating balance with other forms of motion, you can get stuck there.

That can make you worse at some of the other movements required for daily life, which rarely constrain themselves to straight lines. This not only impairs your athletic potential but can make you more vulnerable to injury over time.

That's why these workouts train your body in multiple directions: side to side (known as the frontal plane) and rotationally (known as the transverse plane).



Train different types of fitness.

These workouts also provide a variety of protocols and intensity levels. This variation is distributed in a way that allows you to train every day while hitting different muscle groups and energy systems.

By threading multiple forms of training together, you'll do workouts that support one another while distributing training stress and recovery demand more evenly throughout the week.

Some workouts improve anaerobic fitness. For example, the ladders (week 2, conditioning workout #3) and escalating density training workouts (week 1, strength workout #3) give you the opportunity to push yourself as hard as you're comfortable with in a way that drives up your heart rate, pushes your lactate threshold, and leaves you gasping for air.

Other workouts target the energy systems needed for short, powerful bursts like sprinting and jumping, as well as the ability to recover rapidly between those efforts.

Still others boost submaximal aerobic fitness by keeping your heart rate steadily elevated, but at a level that's relatively easy and sustainable. This helps build your ability to do more work while making it feel easier.

Stay mentally and physically fresh by varying intensity, volume, and movement patterns.

One day, you might find a workout to be super hard. But on another? It may seem much easier.

This is intentional. In some workouts, there are lots of sagittal plane and extension-based movements. In others, there are lots of movements that give your powerful extensor muscles a break and shift emphasis to other muscle groups.



End result: You can work out as often as every single day—no gym, bike, or running shoes required.

About the workouts

In these two-week programs, you'll find workouts for every day of the week. Use the calendar as an example of how to plan your workouts—but know it doesn't matter what day you start. Just use the same order shown in the calendar, regardless of whether Day 1 is a Monday or a Friday.

Most of these workouts require nothing other than your body. For the few that call for external resistance, any heavy object will do. Try a suitcase or a backpack filled with books, cans, or other heavy items. If you feel like the weight you have doesn't provide enough of a challenge, you can also add:

- A 2-3 second pause at the midpoint of most exercises.
- A slower tempo, particularly when you're lowering the weight (a five-second lowering phase can make light loads feel monumental).

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Week 1	Strength #1	Cond. #1	Strength #2	Cond. #2	Strength #3	Cond. #3	Yoga
Week 2	Strength #1	Cond. #1	Strength #2	Cond. #2	Strength #3	Cond. #3	Yoga



Warmups

Before your session, choose from one of three warmups.

Options 1 and 2 include yoga-style movements, based on principles adapted from the Postural Restoration Institute (PRI). Option 3 showcases more conventional movements that are more commonly done in a gym.

Option 1 (moderate)
Option 2 (challenging)
Option 3 (moderate)



Week 1

Day 1

Strength Workout #1

Today you'll focus on timed sets: lifting slowly (1 to 3 reps per 20 seconds), for a total of 3 minutes. Then you'll finish things off with a higher-intensity circuit.

CIRCUIT #1 ROUNDS: 1-3	REPS	TOTAL TIME
Suitcase Romanian Deadlift (RDL)	3 reps every 20 seconds	3 minutes
Reverse lunge	10 reps/side	
Suitcase row	2-3 reps every 20 seconds	3 minutes
Prone Y	10 reps	
Plank push ups	1 rep every 20 seconds	3 minutes
Prone T	10 reps	
CIRCUIT #2 ROUNDS: 3-5	REPS	TOTAL TIME
Single leg hip lift	10 per leg	N/A
Side plank	30 seconds per side	N/A
Mountain climbers	30 seconds	N/A
Rest	60 seconds	



Conditioning Workout #1

By building explosive power, core strength, and agility, these challenging circuits will keep you in shape for your favorite team sports.

CIRCUIT #1 ROUNDS: 4-8	REPS
Alternating bodyweight split jumps	5 per side
Pushup heel-drag cross-connect	3 per side
Lateral Heiden	5 per side
Pushup heel-drag cross-connect	3 per side
Side plank with reach and exhale	5 breaths per side
Rest	60 seconds
CIRCUIT #2 3 ROUNDS	REPS
Single leg glute bridges	10 per side
Reverse lunges	10 per side
Bear breathing shoulder tap	5 per side



Strength Workout #2

This full-body strength session is broken down into 3 circuits. Choose between 1 and 3 rounds per circuit to up (or lower) the intensity.

CIRCUIT #1 ROUNDS: 1-3	REPS
Forward lunge	10-15
Supine hip extension leg curl (SHELC)	As many as possible (AMRAP)
Pushups	5-10
CIRCUIT #2 ROUNDS: 1-3	REPS
Lateral lunge	10-15 per leg
Glute bridge	20 per leg
Suitcase row	5-10
CIRCUIT #3 ROUNDS: 1-3	REPS
½ Turkish get-up (TGU)	3 per side
Single leg Romanian deadlift (SLRDL)	10 per side



Conditioning Workout #2

Today's workout starts with a lower-body focused circuit to build stamina, followed by two challenging circuits dedicated to building solid core strength and endurance, which will transfer over to both future gym workouts and your everyday life.

CIRCUIT #1 ROUNDS: 4	REPS	TOTAL TIME
Jump squats	10	
Crossover reverse lunges	5 per side	
Split squat jumps	5 with each leg forward	
Rest		60 seconds
CIRCUIT #2 ROUNDS: 1-2	REPS	TOTAL TIME
Bear sit-through	30 seconds on, 30 off	5 minutes
Rest		2 minutes
Bear crawl forward and back	30 seconds on, 30 off	5 minutes
Rest		2 minutes
Dead bug	30 seconds on, 30 off	5 minutes
CIRCUIT #3 ROUNDS: 2-4	REPS	TOTAL TIME
Side planks	30 seconds per side	
Salute side planks	Switch every 5 seconds	30 seconds



Strength Workout #3

This <u>escalating density training (EDT)</u> session involves switching quickly between two exercises for an 8-minute timed session.

For example, you'll do 8 pushups. Then 8 squats. Then 8 pushups. Then 8 squats. Keep going back and forth, without a break, until your 8 minutes are up. Then move onto the next circuit.

EDT CIRCUIT #1

Alternate exercises, completing as many sets of 6-8 reps as you can in 8 minutes, with no rest in between.

Pushups

Goblet squats

EDT CIRCUIT #2

Alternate exercises, completing as many sets of 6-8 reps as you can in 8 minutes, with no rest in between.

Dumbbell row

Walking lunge

EDT CIRCUIT #3

Alternate exercises, completing as many sets of 6-8 reps as you can in 8 minutes, with no rest in between.

Single leg Romanian deadlift (SLRDL)

Plank walk out



Conditioning Workout #3

This every minute on the minute (EMOM) workout targets your alactic power, or your ability to use energy immediately for high intensity movement. To make the most of this session, you'll want to push for an all-out effort on each exercise.

ROUNDS: 1-3	REPS	TOTAL TIME
Alternating Split jump	3 reps per side per minute	5 minutes
Lateral heiden	3 reps per side per minute	5 minutes
Pushup	5 reps per minute	5 minutes

Day 7

Strength Balancing Yoga

Choose one of the following yoga sessions, based on your available time.

20 minutes 35 minutes



Week 2

Day 8

Strength Workout #1

For this <u>High-Intensity Continuous Training</u> (HICT) session, do each exercise for a total of five minutes. Use a weight or load that allows you to complete about 2 reps every 10 seconds.

Think of this as a slow, steady grind. Try to keep your heart rate below about 150 beats per minute. If you don't have a heart rate monitor, you should be able to breathe exclusively through your nose. If you have to mouth-breathe, you're probably above 150.

CIRCUIT #1 ROUNDS: 1-3	REPS	TOTAL TIME
Pushups	2-3 reps x 10-15 seconds	5 minutes
Reverse lunges	2-3 reps x 10-15 seconds	5 minutes
Suitcase rows	2-3 reps x 10-15 seconds	5 minutes
Glute bridge	2-3 reps x 10-15 seconds	5 minutes



Conditioning Workout #1

These challenging lower-body circuits will get your heart pumping.

CIRCUIT #1 Rounds: 4	REPS
Alternating Split Squat Jumps	30 seconds (rest 60 seconds between rounds)
Rest	4 minutes before moving onto the next circuit
CIRCUIT #2 Rounds: 1	REPS
Burpees	15/10/5 (rest 60 seconds between sets)
Squat jump	30 seconds (rest 60 seconds between sets, 4 total sets)
Rest	2 minutes before moving onto the next circuit
CIRCUIT #3 Rounds: 1	REPS
Reverse lunges	30-20-10 per leg
Rest	2 minutes between rounds



Strength Workout #2

Today you'll do four movements in a reverse ladder. Start with 10 reps or breaths. Then nine. Then eight.

You get the idea.

Once you finish one ladder, move onto the next exercise.

REVERSE LADDER

Do the full 10-1 ladder for one movement before moving on to the next.

Walking lunge

Suitcase lunge

Single leg hip lift

Dumbbell row



Conditioning Workout #2

Do each movement for 20 seconds.

Then rest for 40 seconds.

Then repeat for 5 reps.

Rest 3 to 4 minutes before moving onto the next exercise on the list.

MOVEMENTS

20 seconds on, 40 seconds off x 5 reps per exercise. Rest 3-4 minutes between exercises.

Lateral shuffle Lateral heidens Squats Cross-body mountain climbers



Strength Workout #3

Rather than all at once, you can do this workout in chunks throughout the day.

Set an alarm. Every time it goes off, you knock off a category. In other words, at 7 a.m. you might do a pushing set by alternating push ups with a banded overhead press. At 10 a.m. you might row. And so on.

You can do small circuits of several exercises at once, or do them at different times throughout the day. As a good rule of thumb, try to do twice as many upper-body pulling exercises as pushing to keep your shoulders happy.

CATEGORIES	EXAMPLES
Pushing	Pushups, banded overhead press
Rowing	Band rows, inverted rows, band pull aparts
Pulling	Band pull-downs, pull-ups
Squats	Bodyweight squats, single-leg squats, goblet squats, plate squats
Lunges	Reverse, walking, split squat, rfe split squat
Core	Planks, side planks, shoulder touches (count 15 seconds as one set)



Conditioning Workout #3

Today's workout is a ladder.

Do 1 rep of each exercise, then 2 reps of each, all the way up to 10. Then do the same in reverse. Start with 10 reps of each, then 9 reps of each, on down.

LADDERS

1-10: 10-1

Burpees Lateral heiden Walkout plank Bodyweight squats

Day 14

Strength Balancing Yoga

Pick a yoga session based on the amount of time you have.

20 minutes

35 minutes

