CORPORATE WELLNESS GUIDE CHAIRYOGA ROUTINE

FOR DESK WORKERS

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• Introduction

Welcome to your "Chair Yoga Routine" ebook! In these pages, you'll discover simple yet effective ways to take care of your body while working at a desk — what I like to call "body maintenance." This guide provides a practical chair yoga sequence that you can easily incorporate into your daily routine.

• The Impact of Desk Work on the Body

Did you know that 81% of employees working from home report experiencing musculoskeletal disorders over time? Shoulder tension, lower back discomfort, and tight hips are just a few of the common issues. Why does this happen? Simply put, prolonged sitting creates imbalances in the body. The front muscles weaken and shorten, while the back muscles become overworked.

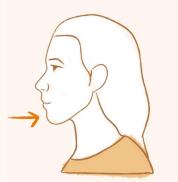
• Why Body Maintenance Matters

Taking regular breaks, setting up an ergonomic workstation, and incorporating movement into your workday are crucial for your overall well-being. Body maintenance activities like chair yoga can help reduce body pain, improve flexibility, and boost your energy levels — ultimately enhancing your productivity and focus at work.

Ready? Your chair yoga routine is here!



CHIN TUCKS





🔆 Chin Tuck:

- 1. Sit upright and look straight ahead with the ears directly over the shoulders.
- 2. Slowly pull the chin and head back (you can use your fingers to help the movement). You should feel a stretch at the base of the head and top of the neck.
- 3. Hold for 5 seconds
- 4. Repeat up to 10 times
- ✤ Area targeted: Neck



🗰 Cactus arms:

- 1. Sit upright
- 2. As you inhale, slightly lift up your chin, bring your arms up, creating 90° angles with your elbows.
- 3. Exhale, lower your elbows as you squeeze your shoulder blades together.
- 4. Inhale and bring you arms back into the 90° shape. Try to make your inhalations and exhalations as long as possible.
- * Area targeted: **Upper back**

CAT & COW





🖊 Cat and Cow

- 1. Sit upright, hands on your knees.
- 2. As you inhale, lift up your chin, open your shoulder and push your torso forward, creating an arch in your back.
- 3. Exhale, bring your chin to your chest and round your back.
- 4. Repeat these two steps with your own rhythm, following the pace of your breath, up to 10 times.
- ★ Area targeted: Back

SIDE STRETCHS



- 1. Sit upright, open slightly your legs to the sides.
- 2. Bring your right hand on your left knee

FORWARD BEND

- 3. Inhale, lift up your left hand.
- 4. Exhale, lean toward the right side, looking up at your hand. Use your right elbow on your right thigh for support.
- 5. Inhale, come back up.
- 6. Repeat on the other side.

★ Area targeted: Sides

🖊 Cactus arms:

- 1. Sit upright, hands on your thighs.
- 2. Open your legs wide to the sides.
- 3. Inhale, lift slightly your chest up, keeping the spine straight.
- 4. Exhale, bend slowly forward, start the movement with the lower back, followed by upper back, neck and head.

* Area targeted: Lower back

🌟 You Did It!

Once you've completed your practice, take a moment to breathe deeply and clear your mind before diving back into work. Quick, simple, and efficient — just what you need to stay sharp and focused.

뷲 Want More?

Looking to make a bigger impact on your team's well-being? Book a free discovery call, and let's discuss your company's goals. Together, we can explore how chair yoga and other wellness initiatives can benefit your employees and elevate your organisation.

