

TYPES OF YOGA





ARDHA CHAKRSANA (HALF WHEEL POSTURE)

This posture resembles half wheel in final position, so it's called Ardha Chakrasana or half wheel posture.

ARDHA CHAKRASANA HALF WHEEL POSE



TADASANA (PALM TREE POSE)

In Sanskrit 'Tada' means palm tree. In the final position of this posture, the body is steady like a Palm tree, so this posture called as 'Tadasana'.

TADASANA THE PALM TREE POSE

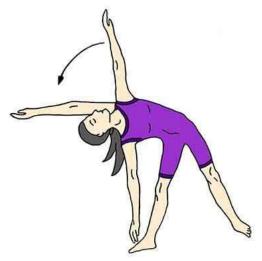


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TRIKONASANA(TRIANGLE POSTURE)

The final position of this posture looks like a 'triangle' in shape, so it's called Trikonasa or triangular stretch pose.

TRIKONASANA THE TRIANGLE POSE



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VEERABHADRASANA -2

'Veera Bhadra' is one of the Gana (can call as Soldier) of Lord Shiva. This pose dedicated to him, so this posture is called as Veerabhadrasana. This posture also called as Warrior pose.

VIRABHADRASANA - II THE WARRIOR POSE



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PARSHWA KONASANA (SIDE ANGLE POSTURE)

In Sanskrit 'Parshwa' means Side, 'Kona' means angle. In the final position of this posture, the body forms a side angle, so this posture called as Parshwa Konasana.

PARIVRITTA PARSVAKONASANA REVOLVED SIDE ANGLE POSE



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BHUJANGAASANA

The final position of this posture emulates the action of cobra raising itself just prior to striking at its prey, so it's called **cobra posture or Bhujangasan.**

BHUJANGASANA THE COBRA POSE



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PADAHASTASANA

"Pada" means foot, "hasta" means hand. So the exact English translation is the foot hand pose. This asana widely called as the forward bending posture.

PADA HASTASANA HAND TO FOOT POSE



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USTRASANA

The final position of this posture looks like Camel, so its called camel posture or Ustrasana.

USHTRASANA THE CAMEL POSE

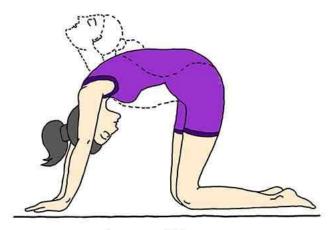


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MARJARASANA

'Marjara' means Cat, this posture imitates the periodical upward and down word stretching of the Cat, so it's called Marajarasana.

MARJARIASANA THE CAT POSE



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PASCHIMOTTANASANA

Paschima means back or west, 'uttana' means to stretch, in this posture back stretches nicely, so-called back stretching pose. This posture also called as Ugrasana.

PASCHIMOTTANASANA THE FORWARD BEND POSE



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ARDHA MATSYENDRASANA (HALF-SPINAL TWIST POSE)

Great yogi Matsyendra Nath did meditation in this posture. So this posture called as Ardha Matsyendrasana.

ARDHA MATSYENDRASANA HALF SPINAL TWIST POSE



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PADMASANA

'Padma' means lotus, the final position of this posture looks like lotus, so it is called Padmasana.

PADMASANA THE LOTUS POSE

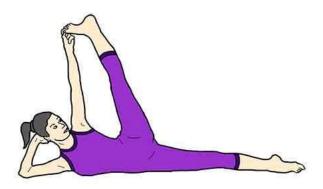


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ANANTA SHAYANASANA

'Ananta shayana' refers to Lord Vishnu. During 'maha pralaya' Lord Vishnu slept above 'Adishesha' (1000 headed serpent) in this position. So this posture called as Ananta Shayanasana.

ANATASANA SLEEPING VISHNU POSE SIDE RECLINING LEG LIFT POSE



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PAVANA MUKTASANA

In Sanskrit 'Pawan' means wind, 'Mukta' means release. This posture is very useful in removing wind from the intestines and stomach. So this posture called as "Pawan muktasana".

PAWANMUKTASANA GAS RELEASE POSE

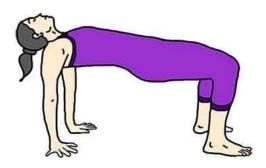


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PURVAUTTANASAN

'Purva' refers to the front part of the body. 'Uttana' means raising. The front part of the body is rising in the final position of this posture, so it's called "Purvottanasana".

REVERSE TABLE TOP POSE



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VRKSHAASANA(TREE POSTURE)

'Vrksha' means tree, the final position of the posture resembles a tree. So it is called Vrkshasana or one leg stand.

VRIKSHASANA THE TREE POSE



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GARUDASANA (EAGLE POSE)

 $Garuda\ is\ the\ vehicle\ of\ Lord\ Vishnu.\ This\ posture\ resembles\ garuda\ or\ eagle\ so\ it's\ called\ as\ \textbf{Garudasana.}$

SEATED EAGLE POSE GARUDASANA

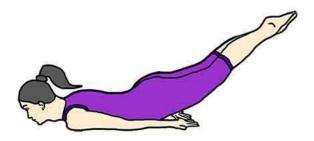


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SHALABHASANA (LOCUST POSTURE)

'Shalabha' means Locust, The final position of this posture imitate the tail of a locust, so this posture called as **Shalabhasana or Locust posture.**

SHALABHASANA THE LOCUST POSE

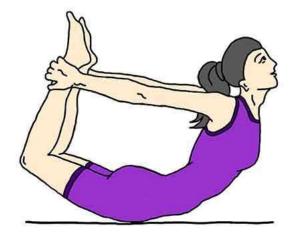


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DHANURASANA (BOW POSTURE)

Dhanur means 'bow', in the final position of this posture the body resembles a bow, so this posture called **Dhanurasana or Bow posture.**

DHANURASANA THE BOW POSE



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ARDHA HALASANA (HALF PLOUGH POSE)

'Ardha' means half, 'hala' means plough, the final position of this pose resembles a half plough, so it's called as Ardha Halasana.

ARDHA CHAKRASANA HALF WHEEL POSE

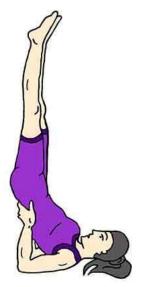


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VIPAREETA KARANI MUDRA

In Sanskrit '**Vipareeta**' means inverted, '**karani**' means to get done, mudra means psychic attitude; so the English translation of this practice is the inverted psychic attitude.

VIPAREET KARANI MUDRA



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SARVANGASANA (SHOULDER STAND)

In Sanskrit 'Sarva anga' means the whole body. The whole body getting benefited by this posture, so it's called so. The most common English name for this posture is shoulder stand pose. This is one of the very useful yoga postures. This posture called as the Queen of all the postures, whereas headstand called as the King of Postures.



UTTANA PADASANA

In Sanskrit 'Uttana' means raising, 'pada' means foot. In the final position of this posture both feet are rising; so this posture called as Uttana Padasana.

UTTANPADASANA THE RAISED LEG POSE

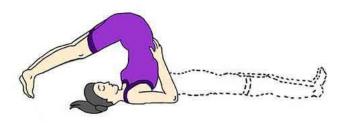


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HALASANA (PLOUGH POSE)

In Sanskrit 'Hala' means Plough. The final position of this posture resembles a plough, so this posture called as Halasana or the plough pose.

HALASANA THE PLOUGH POSE



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CHAKRASANA (WHEEL POSTURE)

'Chakra' means wheel. The body looks like wheel shape in the final position of this posture, so it's called as Chakrasana.

CHAKRASANA THE WHEEL POSE

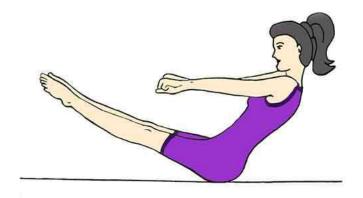


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NAUKASANA (BOAT POSTURE)

In Sanskrit 'Nauka' means boat; the final position of this posture resembles a boat, so this posture called as Naukasana.

NAUKASANA THE BOAT POSE



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GOMUKHASANA

In Sanskrit 'gomukha' means cows face. This posture resembles the face of a contented cow, so this posture called as Gomukhasana.

GOMUKHASANA THE COW FACE POSE



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SHAVASANA (RELAXING POSE)

'Shava' means dead body. Lying down on the floor like the dead body is called **Shavasana.** One of the main classical texts of yoga, called hatha yoga pradeepika written by Yogi Swatmarama in the 16th century explains Shavasana as below.

SHAVASANA THE CORPSE POSE

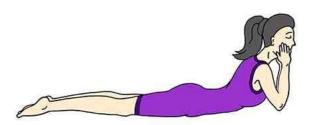


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MAKARAASANA

'Makara' means crocodile, relaxing on the floor facing downwards steadily same like the crocodile, so it's called "Makarasana".

MAKARASANA THE CROCODILE POSE



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