

REFORMER PILATES LESSON PLANS

Improving endurance, body conditioning and overall strength.

Lesson Plan 1: Core Foundations

Warm-Up:

Deep Breathing

Pelvic Tilts

Arm Circles

Core Activation:

Footwork on the Reformer

Pelvic Curl

Hundred

Single Leg Circles

Upper Body Toning:

Arm Series with Springs

Chest Expansion

Back Rowing

Cool Down and Stretching:

Spine Stretch Forward

Swan Prep

Child's Pose

Lesson Plan 2: Glute and Leg Sculpt

Warm-Up:

Roll Down

Hundred

Lea Circles

Leg and Glute Activation:

Footwork on the Reformer (Variations)

Side Splits

Lunges on the Reformer

Single Leg Press

Core and Upper Body Integration:

Coordination

Rowing Series

Triceps Press

Cool Down and Stretching:

Mermaid Stretch

Swan Dive

Lesson Plan 3: Total Body Burn

Warm-Up:

Deep Breathing

Roll Down

Hundred

Full Body Engagement:

Long Stretch Series

Coordination

Short Box Series

Jump Board Series

Upper Body and Core Toning:

Arm Circles with Springs

Teaser

Knee Stretches Round Back

Lunge series, add cardio, Pilates ball, little jump/ hop/ heel lift.

Cool Down and Stretching:

Cat-Cow Stretch

Swan Prep

Spine Twist

Lesson Plan 4: Cardio and Strength Fusion

Warm-Up:

The Hundred

Roll Over

Jumping Series

Cardio Challenge:

Cardio-Tramp Rebounder

Jump Board Lunges

Running on the Reformer

Total Body Sculpting:

Long Stretch Series

Twist and Reach

Elephant

Resistance and Power:

Rowing Series

Arm Circles with Springs

Side Splits

Cool Down and Stretching:

Child's Pose

Swan Prep

Lesson Plan 5: Pilates for Flexibility

Warm-Up:

Deep Breathing

Chest Opener

Spine Stretch Forward

Flexibility Flow:

Short box sit up series

Short box climb the tree

Short box straddle sit sideways. Oblique & abdominal work (variations)

Long box- Swan dive (off other end) Swan, Prone laying shoulder press, single arm

Long box- kneeling gute kick, straight leg lift, circles, dinkey R&L

Lengthening and Stretching:

Mermaid Stretch

Sidel lying single leg in straps (variations)

Balance and Stability:

Teaser

Stomach massage (variations)

Glute bridge series (variations)

Cool Down:

Cat-Cow Stretch

Child's Pose

Spine Twist

Lesson Plan 6: Upper Body Sculpt

Warm-Up:

Deep Breathing

Roll Down

Hundred

Upper Body Focus:

Arm Circles with Springs

Chest Expansion

Back Rowing

Triceps Press

Pull Straps Series

Core Integration:

Coordination

Teaser Progressions

Knee Stretches Round Back

Cool Down and Stretching:

Mermaid Stretch

Swan Dive

Lesson Plan 7: Core Stability and Flexibility

Warm-Up:

Deep Breathing

Pelvic Tilts

Arm Circles

Core and Flexibility:

Footwork on the Reformer

Hundred

Single Leg Circles

Tower on the Reformer

Swan Dive

Lower Body Activation:

Legs in straps, Circles, press, wide, V, raise, long spine, play about with long spine Side Splits, kneeling side splits, warrior 2 lunges, warrior 2 lunges with arms Lunges on the Reformer

Cool Down and Stretching:

Mermaid Stretch

Saw

Child's Pose

Lesson Plan 8: Dynamic Power and Balance

Warm-Up:

The Hundred

Roll Over

Leg Circles

Power and Balance:

Jump Board Series

Running on the Reformer

Total Body Sculpting:

Plank press/ plank pike/ plank dips. Add DBS/ pilates pall for additional challenge/ Long Stretch Series

Reverse ab crunches, hold the top/back of the reformer frame + use 1 light spring, Elephant, both legs / single leg. Curved and flat. + leg lift R&L

Cool Down and Stretching:

Cat-Cow Stretch

Swan Prep