

# **WARNING**

Exercise is inherently strenuous and potentially dangerous. Consult your physician before starting any exercise program.

BUFF DUDES are not responsible for injuries or health problems incurred as a result of exercise or related advice.

Stay safe. Stay BUFF.



### WHY BECOME B.U.F.F.?

Great question. \*Cue Movie Trailer Voice\*

There's a war out there, and the fitness army is getting hammered by the incoming waves of bad eating habits, lack of exercise, and nonexistent hygiene. But there's hope. There's the B.U.F.F. Dudes.

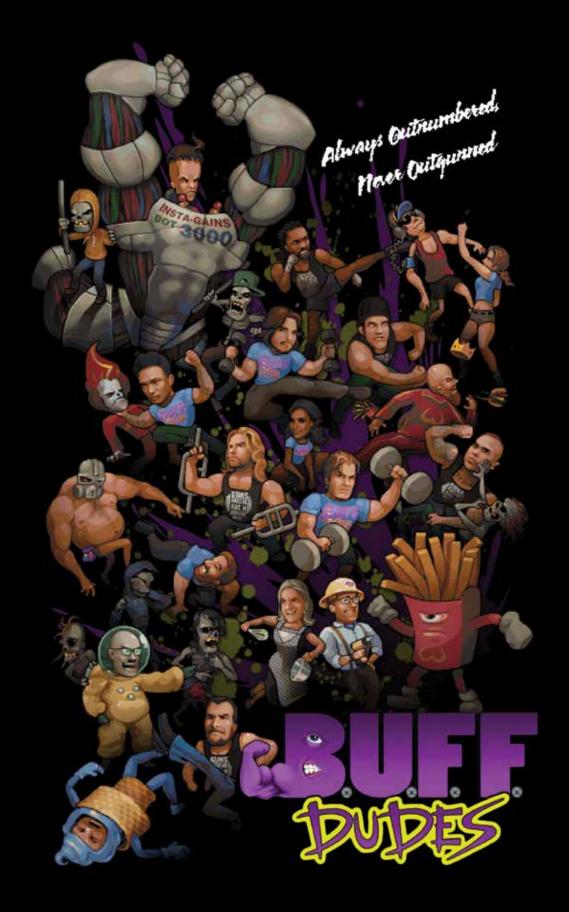
We may be outnumbered but we're not outgunned. With your help, the B.U.F.F. Army will grow; and through completing this plan, you'll develop your Guns, Shields, Abs, and Wheels. Along the way, you'll build your human machine into a wrecking ball; smashing down high blood pressure, ripping apart bad cholesterol, and destroying unwanted body fat as it tries to sink its greasy claws into your newly chiseled physique.

Remember: the battle may seem like it's lost, but the war is just beginning. The line has been drawn - choose your side.

Are you ready? The B.U.F.F. Dudes are!

"Remember! If at any time you need help with an exercise or mobility, stretching or workout routine visit the B.U.F.F. Dudes YouTube at <a href="http://www.youtube.com/buffdudes">http://www.youtube.com/buffdudes</a>. In addition you will find the entire video series of the B.U.F.F. Dudes completing this 12 Week Plan themselves!"





# **WEEKS 1 - 2 - 3**

**Note:** This will be the first phase and concentrates on pairing primary and secondary muscle groups together. The goal is to target the smaller muscle groups through isolation exercises after focusing on the major muscle groups through compound exercises.

#### **DAY 1 – BACK & REAR DELTOIDS**

DEADLIFT	4 SETS X 10, 8, 6, 4
PULL-UPS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
SINGLE ARM DUMBBELL ROW	4 SETS X 10 REPS
T-BAR ROW	4 SETS X 10 REPS
BARBELL FACE PULLS	4 SETS X 12 REPS
BENT OVER LATERAL RAISES	3 SETS X 15 REPS

**Note:** A good rule of thumb is to start your workout with your most difficult move. Today we begin ours with the DEADLIFT.

#### DAY 2 - CHEST & ANTERIOR/LATERAL DELTOIDS

INCLINE DUMBBELL PRESS	4 SETS X 12,10,8,8
BARBELL FLAT PRESS	4 SETS X 10,8,8,6
LANDMINE PRESS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
DUMBBELL FLYS	3 SETS X 15 REPS
DUMBBELL UPRIGHT ROWS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
ALTERNATING DUMBBELL FRONT RAISES	3 SETS X 12 REPS
LATERAL RAISES	3 SETS X 12 REPS

**Tip:** If you have any lagging body parts, it is a good idea to make them a priority in your program. This is one of the reasons we make the incline press our first exercise. The clavicular portion of the chest is a hard grower, so we FORCE it to grow by adding in upper chest training first!



#### **DAY 3 - LEGS & CALVES**

SQUATS	4 SETS X 12,10,8,6
WALKING LUNGES	3 X 10 STEPS (EACH WAY)
ROMANIAN DEADLIFT	4 SETS X 12 REPS
GLUTE BRIDGES	3 SETS X 10 REPS
KETTLE BELL SWINGS	3 SETS X 12 REPS
SEATED CALF RAISE	5 SETS X 10 REPS

#### DAY 4 - ARMS & TRAPEZIUS

CLOSE GRIP PRESS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
SKULL CRUSHERS	3 SETS X 12 REPS
KICK BACKS	3 SETS X 12 REPS
UNDERHAND PULL DOWN	4 SETS X 10 REPS
BARBELL CURLS	3 SETS X 12 REPS
ALTERNATING HAMMER CURLS	3 SETS X 10 REPS
BARBELL SHRUG	5 SETS X 10 REPS

**Note:** As we mentioned earlier, this phase begins each workout with a compound exercise. A compound movement will stress multiple muscles and permit you to push (or pull) more weight than a normal isolation exercise and enhance the stress on the muscle groups in question.

# **WEEKS 4 - 5 - 6**

**Note:** The lower body will be worked twice a week in this phase. You'll see increased strength in your legs and hips; creating more stability in your knee and lower back and mobility in your ankles and hips. We'll also continue into the second part of the "pairing phase" by activating the primary muscles through heavy compound movements first, and end with isolations exercises that will stress the secondary muscles.

#### **DAY 1 - LEGS & CALVES**

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LATERAL BOX SQUATS  ROMANIAN DEADLIFT  3 SETS X 10 REPS	STEP-UPS	4 SETS X 10 (EACH LEG)
ROMANIAN DEADLIFT 3 SETS X 10 REPS	TRAP BAR DEADLIFTS*	4 SETS X 10 REPS
	LATERAL BOX SQUATS	3 SETS X 10 REPS
SEATED CALF RAISES 4 SETS X 12 REPS	ROMANIAN DEADLIFT	3 SETS X 10 REPS
	SEATED CALF RAISES	4 SETS X 12 REPS

<sup>\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: DB Farmer Squats

#### **DAY 2 - BACK, TRAPEZIUS & BICEPS**

DEADLIFT	4 SETS X 10,8,6,4
BENT OVER ROW	4 SETS X 8 REPS
V-GRIP PULL UPS	4 SETS X 8 REPS
DUMBBELL PULL-OVERS	3 SETS X 12 REPS
DUMBBELL SHRUGS	4 SETS X 12 REPS
DRAG CURLS	3 SETS X 12 REPS
INCLINE BENCH DB CURLS	3 SETS X 12 REPS

#### **DAY 3 - CHEST & TRICEPS**

DUMBBELL PRESS	4 SETS X 12,10,8,8
INCLINE BARBELL PRESS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
SINGLE ARM DB PRESS	3 SETS X 10 (EACH ARM)
INCLINE DB FLY	3 SETS X 12 REPS
SINGLE ARM DB FRENCH PRESS	3 SETS X 12 (EACH ARM)
CROSS BENCH DIPS	3 SETS X 10 REPS



#### **DAY 4 - DELTOIDS & FOREARMS**

OVERHEAD PRESS	4 SETS X 12,10,8,6
SINGLE ARM KB PRESS	3 SETS X 10 REPS
REVERSE UPRIGHT ROW	4 SETS X 12 REPS
LATERAL RAISE	4 SETS X 12 REPS
REVERSE CURL	3 SETS X 12 REPS
FINGER CURL	3 SETS X 12 REPS

#### **DAY 5 - LEGS & CALVES**

FRONT SQUATS	4 SETS X 12,10,8,6
GLUTE BRIDGES	4 SETS X 12 REPS
SPLIT SQUATS	4 SETS X 8 (EACH LEG)
SINGLE LEG ROMANIAN DEADLIFT	4 SETS X 12 REPS
STANDING CALF RAISE	4 SETS X 12 REPS



# **WEEKS 7 - 8 - 9**

**Note:** Here we'll be moving onto a more difficult split, giving each major muscle group its own day to help isolate it for further growth and/or detail.

#### **DAY 1 – BACK & TRAPEZIUS**

PULL-UPS	4 SETS X 15
T-BAR ROW	4 SETS X 10,8,8,6
SUPER SET PENDLAY ROW DUMBBELL PULL-OVER	4 SETS X 10 REPS
SUPER SET RACK PULL BARBELL SHRUGS	4 SETS X 8
SINGLE ARM DUMBBELL ROW	3 SETS X 10
SINGLE ARM DUMBBELL SHRUG	3 SETS X 12

#### DAY 2 - CHEST

BARBELL PRESS	5 SETS X 12,10,8,6,4
INCLINE DUMBBELL PRESS (CLOSE)	4 SETS X 10
(WEIGHTED) CHEST DIPS	4 SETS X 8
SUPER SET CABLE CROSS OVER*	
LANDMINE PRESS	3 SETS X 12 REPS
DUMBBELL FLYS	3 SETS X 12 REPS

<sup>\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: Diamond Push Ups

#### DAY 3 - LEGS & CALVES

BOX SQUATS	4 SETS X 10,8,6,4
WALKING LUNGES	4 SETS X 10 REPS (20 TOTAL STEPS)
ROMANIAN DEADLIFT	4 SETS X 10,8,8,6
BARBELL HACK SQUATS	4 SETS X 8 REPS
MACHINE HAMSTRING CURLS*	3 SETS X 10 REPS
SEATED CALF RAISE	5 SETS X 12

<sup>\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: Manual Hamstring Curls

# ISOLATION PHASE

#### **DAY 4 - DELTOIDS**

SEATED BARBELL PRESS	4 SETS X 10,10,8,6
SUPER SET DUMBBELL UPRIGHT ROW	
BARBELL REVERSE UPRIGHT ROW	4 SETS X 10 REPS
AROUND THE WORLDS	4 SETS X 10 REPS (EACH WAY)
LATERAL RAISE	3 SETS X 10
CABLE REVERSE FLY*	3 SETS X 12 REPS

<sup>\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: Bent Over DB Reverse Fly

#### DAY 5 - ARMS (TRICEPS, BICEPS, FOREARMS)

SUPER SET SKULL CRUSHERS //	
CLOSE GRIP PRESS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
(WEIGHTED) CROSS BENCH DIPS	4 SETS X 12 REPS
CABLE ROPE EXTENSIONS*	3 SETS X 12 REPS
SUPER SET SEATED DUMBBELL CURL	
UNDER HAND PULL DOWNS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
REVERSE CURL	3 SETS X 12 REPS
BEHIND THE BACK BARBELL FINGER CURL	3 SETS X 12 REPS

<sup>\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: DB Bilateral Kick Backs



## **WEEKS 10 - 11 - 12**

**Note:** In this last phase, a day will be added onto the split for a total of 6 days of workouts. These workouts will primarily focus on supersets to help with the "flushing method" (drawing in a large amount of blood into the muscle groups) and increase the amount of calories burned per workout, as well as increasing the amount of total stress on the body throughout the week.

#### **DAY 1 - BACK & CHEST**

<b>SUPER SET</b>	T STRAIGHT ARM PULL DOWN** (PRE – EXHAUST)	
	PULL UPS	4 SETS X 12 REPS*
SUPER SET	INCLINE DUMBBELL FLY	
	INCLINE BARBELL PRESS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
SUPER SET	BENT OVER DUMBBELL ROW (BI-LATERAL)	
	FLAT BENCH DUMBBELL PRESS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
SUPER SET	DUMBBELL PULL-OVER	
	DIPS (WEIGHTED)	4 SETS X 10 REPS

\*Last set you'll end with negative reps. Jump into the top position and slowly let yourself down to the bottom position. Perform until failure.

#### DAY 2 - LEGS

SQUATS	5 SETS 20,12,10,8,4
SUPER SET ROMANIAN DEAD LIFTS SINGLE LEG HIP LIFTS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
WALKING LUNGES	4 SETS X 10 STEPS (EACH WAY)
SUPER SET LEG EXTENSIONS* LEG CURLS**	4 SETS X 12 REPS
STANDING CALF RAISES	5 SETS X 10 REPS*

<sup>\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: Sissy Squats

<sup>\*\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: Medicine Ball Slams

<sup>\*\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: Manual Hamstring Curl

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>After 10 full reps finish with partial reps till failure



#### **DAY 3 - SHOULDERS & TRAPEZIUS**

4 SETS X 10 REPS
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<sup>\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: Barbell Face Pull

#### **DAY 4 - TRICEPS & BICEPS**

SUPER SET	BARBELL CLOSE GRIP PRESS BENCH DIPS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
	SEATED UNDER HAND CABLE ROW* LYING CABLE CURL*	4 SETS X 10 REPS
	PRONATED (OVERHAND) TRICEPS EXTENSION SUPINATED (UNDERHAND) TRICEPS EXTENSION	3 SETS X 10 REPS
CONCENTRA	ATION CURLS	3 SETS X 12 REPS

<sup>\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: Underhand Barbell Row

Skull Crushers with EZ Bar

<sup>\*\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: Barbell Curl

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# **WEEKS 10 - 11 - 12**

#### DAY 5 - LEGS

SUPER SET FRONT SQUAT JUMPING SPLIT SQUATS	4 SETS X 10 REPS*
SUPER SET MANUAL HAMSTRING CURLS KB SWINGS	4 SETS X 10 REPS
STANDING LEG CURLS**	3 SETS X 20 REPS
SINGLE SEATED CALF RAISE	3 SETS X 20 REPS
STANDING CALF RAISE	3 SETS X 10 REPS

<sup>\*</sup>Jumping Split Squats will be 10 reps each leg – 20 reps in total.

#### **DAY 6 - CHEST & BACK**

SUPER SET	BENT OVER ROW 4 SETS FLAT BARBELL PRESS	4 SETS X 12,10,8,8
SUPER SET	UNDERHAND PULL DOWNS* INCLINE BARBELL PRESS	4 SETS X 12,10,8,8
SUPER SET	SEATED CABLE ROW** ALT. CABLE FLY***	4 SETS X 10 REPS
SUPER SET	BACK EXTENSIONS UNDER HAND DUMBBELL FLY	3 SETS X 12 REPS

<sup>\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: Chin up \*\*HOME Alt exercise: T Bar Row

<sup>\*\*</sup>HOME Alt exercise: Single Leg RDL with DB or KB

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Home Alt exercise: Alternating DB Fly

# YOU DID IT

We hope you enjoyed our 12-Week Workout Plan. By following the plan and mixing in proper eating and rest, you are now one big step closer to becoming a Buff Dude or Grrrl and we congratulate you on the hard work, consistency, and determination to better yourself. Having a Better Understanding of Food & Fitness isn't easy; if it was, everyone would be doing it. You're a rare breed, and for that we single-bicep salute you!

Thank you, hope you enjoyed the plan and most importantly...





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