BREAKING MUSCLE WORKOUTS

These workouts are designed for moms with babies and toddlers at home. They are meant to supplement your usual workouts and serve as functional, effective training routines you can do with little ones running around. Some of the workouts also include movements you can do with your kids to get them involved.

The workouts are four days a week, and you can do them on consecutive days or between your days at the gym. You can also use them as supplemental workouts for your primary training. For example, if your usual focus is running, the strength endurance workout might be good to do before your run. Since the focus of the program is general physical fitness, it can be used by moms of all levels.

Each day has a different focus. Day One is conditioning day, day two is a short interval workout, and day three is devoted to yoga. The final day of the week is focused on a specific skill you're working on.

Although you can jump in any time you like, I recommend starting from the beginning. Over the six-week period, you will repeat certain workouts at a greater intensity or volume and focus on improving your pull ups, running, and core strength.

WEEK ONE

Day One: Conditioning Stroller Run/Walk - 45 minutes

Walk 5 minutes to warm up. Then walk 3 minutes, run 5 minutes for 40 minutes or 5 total rounds.



Day Two: HIT Workout

You can do these one after the other or at different times of the day.

A. 20 minutes, as many sets as possible, 1 minute rest between sets:
Goblet/Baby Squat x 15
Weighted Lunges x 20 (10 per side)
Weighted Cossack Squat x 20 (10 per side)
Weighted Split Squat x 10 (5 per side)

B. 20 minutes, as many sets as possible, 1 minute rest between sets
Push Up x 10
Plank Hold x 20 seconds
Side Plank x 20 seconds
Bridge x 15

Day Three: Yoga Standing Series

My three-year-old daughter loves doing this series with me. I emphasize the opening movements of stretching tall during tree pose, side angle, and triangle pose, as well as the curling up movements of forward fold and child's pose.

Run through the following series 3–5 times. Hold each pose for three deep breaths:

Mountain Pose Tree Pose Mountain Pose Forward Fold Triangle Extended Triangle Side Angle Triangle



Warrior 2 Warrior 1 Tree Pose Chair Pose Forward Fold

End with 3 minutes in Child's Pose, followed by a 5-10 minute Savasana.

Day Four: Practice Day

Practice a skill of your choice (handstands, pistols, pull ups, or other exercise you're working on) for twenty minutes today.

WEEK TWO

Day One: Conditioning

Stroller Run: 30 minutes, with 10 minute warm up

Day Two: HIT Workout

This is another good workout to do with your toddler. For the farmer's walks, she can carry buckets with water. For the chin ups, she can be in charge of counting how many you reps you get.

A. Tabata: Push Ups Squats Side Plank Chin Up

B. 3 Rounds: Farmer's Walk - 40 meters with half your bodyweight Jumping Jacks x 20 Mountain Climbers x 20



Day Three:

Run through the following series 3–5 times. Hold each pose for three deep breaths:

Cat/Cow Cobra Yogi Squat Gate Pose Wide Legged Forward Bend High Lunge Low Lunge High Lunge Mountain Pose Forward Fold Downward Dog

End with 3 minutes in Child's Pose, followed by a 5-10 minute Savasana.

Day Four: Practice Day

Practice a skill of your choice (handstands, pistols, pull ups, or other exercise you're working on) for twenty minutes today.

WEEK THREE

Day One: Conditioning

Stroller Walk/Run: Find a hill nearby for some hill sprints with the stroller.
5 minute walk
5 minute jog
Hill sprint x 10 seconds
Rest 60 seconds
Walk down the hill and repeat seven time for a total of 8 sprints



Day Two:

3 Rounds, 1 minute rest between rounds: Burpees x 20 Squats x 25 Down Dog to Cobra x 10 Spiderman Crawl x 1 minute Inchworm x 1 minute Bridge w/one leg extended x 15

Day Three: Babywearing Yoga Flow

Mountain Pose Warrior 1 Warrior 2 Reverse Warrior Warrior 2 Warrior 1 Mountain Pose Chair Pose Chair Pose Chair Pose Mountain Yogi Squat Butterfly

Day Four: Practice Day

Practice a skill of your choice (handstands, pistols, pull ups, or other exercise you're working on) for twenty minutes today.

WEEK FOUR



Day One: Conditioning Stroller Run/Walk - 60 minutes

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Walk 10 minutes to warm up. Then walk 3 minutes, run 6 minutes for 45 minutes or

5 total rounds. Cool down with 5 minutes of walking.

Day Two: HIT Workout

You can do these one after the other or at different times of the day.

A. 25 minutes, as many sets as possible, 1 minute rest between sets:
Goblet/Baby Squat x 15
Weighted Lunges x 20 (10 per side)
Weighted Cossack Squat x 20 (10 per side)
Weighted Split Squat x 10 (5 per side)

B. 25 minutes, as many sets as possible, 1 minute rest between sets
Push Up x 10
Plank Hold x 20 seconds
Side Plank x 20 seconds
Bridge x 15

Day Three: Yoga Standing Series

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Mountain Pose Tree Pose Mountain Pose Forward Fold Triangle Extended Triangle Side Angle Triangle Warrior 2 Warrior 1 Tree Pose Chair Pose Forward Fold

End with 3 minutes in Child's Pose, followed by a 5-10 minute Savasana.

Day Four: Practice Day

Practice a skill of your choice (handstands, pistols, pull ups, or other exercise you're working on) for twenty minutes today.

WEEK FIVE

Day One: Conditioning

Stroller Run: 45 minutes, with 10 minute warm up

Day Two:

Day Two: HIT Workout

This is another good workout to do with your toddler. For the farmer's walks, she can carry buckets with water. For the chin ups, she can be in charge of counting how many you reps you get.



A. Tabata: Push Ups Lunges Side Plank Pull Up

B. 5 Rounds: Farmer's Walk - 40 meters with half your bodyweight Jumping Jacks x 20 Mountain Climbers x 20

Day Three: Tall and Strong Flow

Run through the following series 3–5 times. Hold each pose for three deep breaths:

Cat/Cow Cobra Yogi Squat Gate Pose Wide Legged Forward Bend High Lunge Low Lunge High Lunge Mountain Pose Forward Fold Downward Dog

End with 3 minutes in Child's Pose, followed by a 5-10 minute Savasana.



Day Four: Practice Day

Practice a skill of your choice (handstands, pistols, pull ups, or other exercise you're working on) for twenty minutes today.

WEEK SIX

Day One: Conditioning

Stroller Walk/Run: Find a hill nearby for some hill sprints with the stroller.
5 minute walk
5 minute jog
Hill sprint x 15 seconds
Rest 60 seconds
Walk down the hill and repeat eight times for a total of 9 sprints

Day Two:

5 Rounds, 1 minute rest between rounds: Burpees x 20 Squats x 25 Pull Ups x 5 Down Dog to Cobra x 10 Spiderman Crawl x 1 minute Inchworm x 1 minute Bridge w/one leg extended x 15

Day Three: Babywearing Yoga Flow

Mountain Pose Warrior 1 Warrior 2 Reverse Warrior Warrior 2



Warrior 1 Mountain Pose Chair Pose Eagle Pose Chair Pose Mountain Yogi Squat Butterfly

Day Four: Practice Day

Practice a skill of your choice (handstands, pistols, pull ups, or other exercise you're working on) for twenty minutes today.