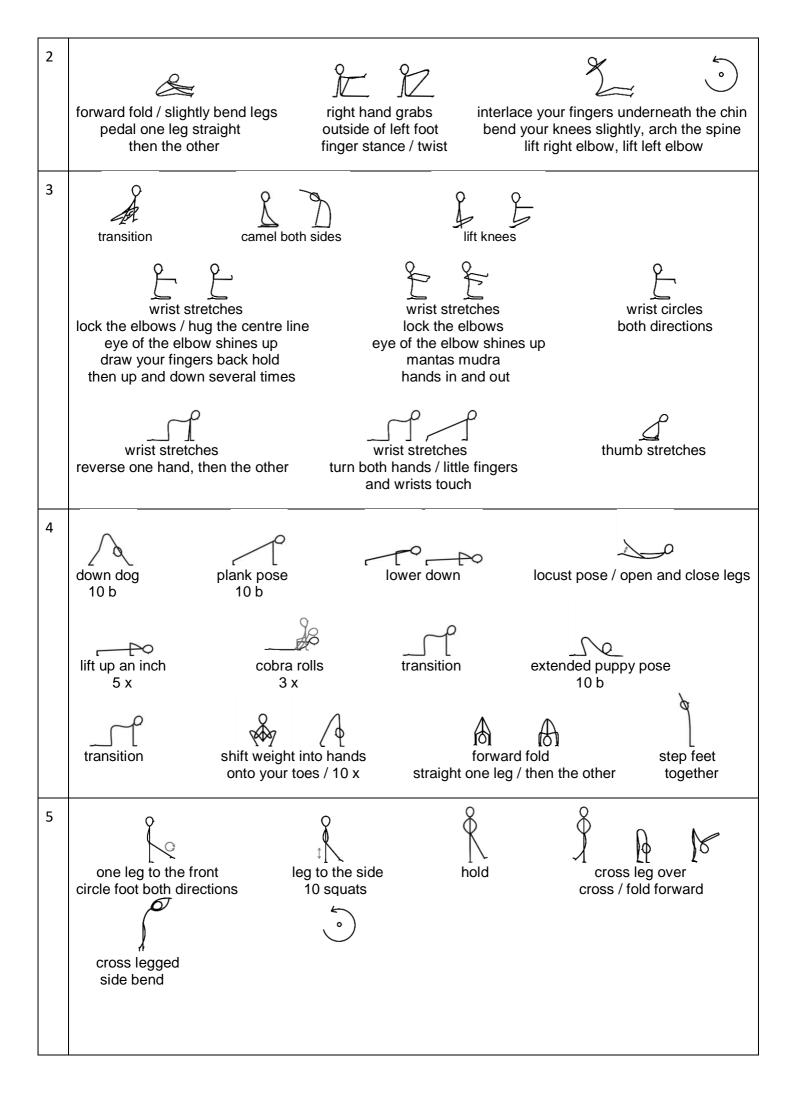
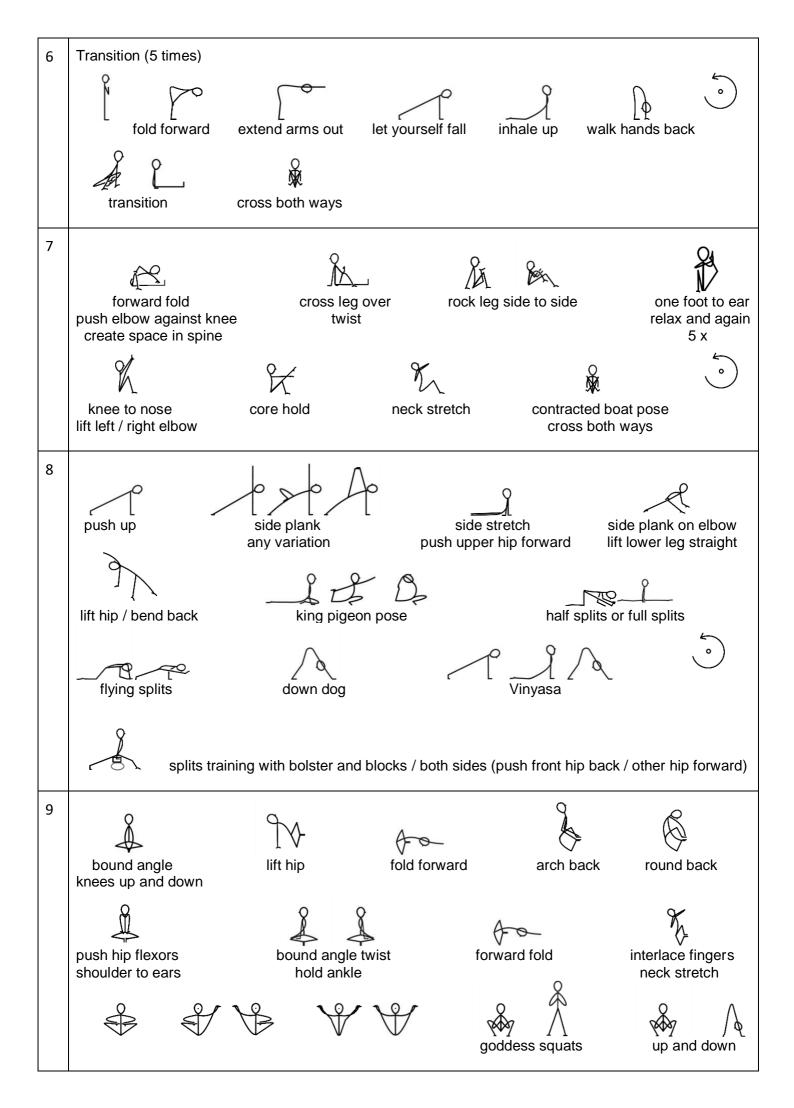
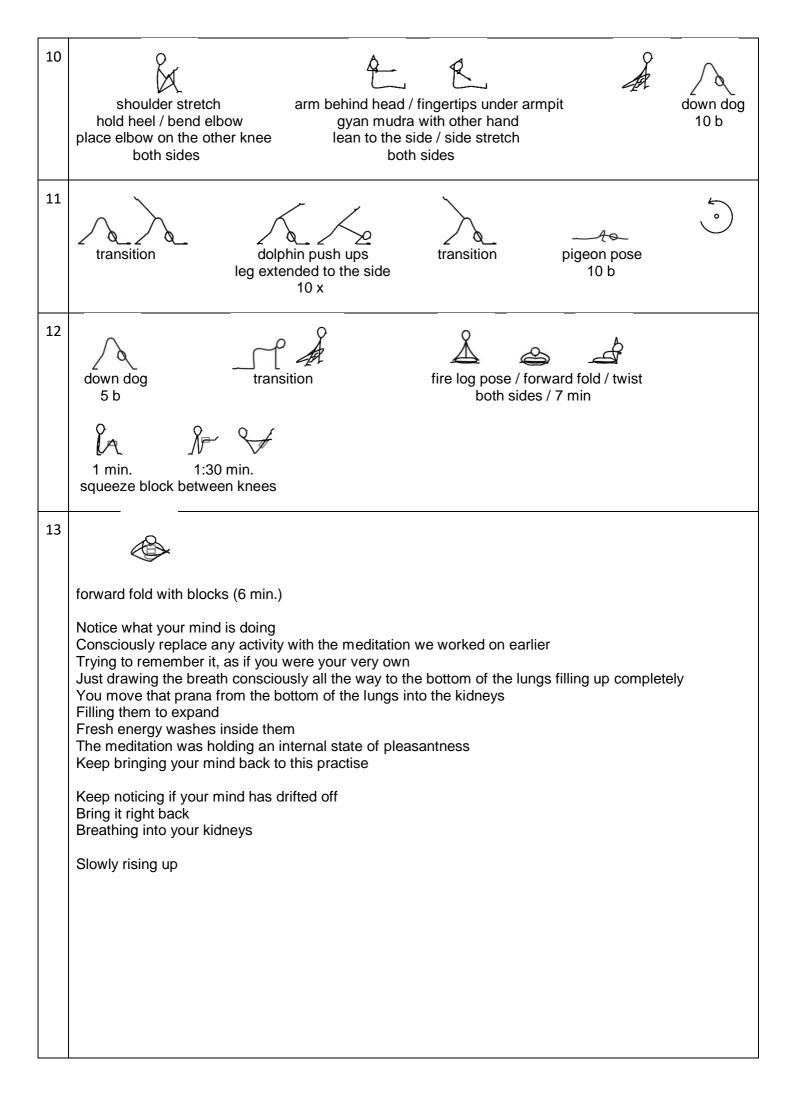


Franziska's notes of the 300/500 h YTT with Rae Indigo Part 3: The Awakened Mind

1	Meditation (6 min.)
	Come into a comfortable seated position
	Begin to lengthen your breath
	Finding each bone in your spine, eventually creating the sense that they are floating upwards As if you are creating a little bit of space between the vertebrae And feel that with each inhale you float up a little more and with each exhale you float up a little more So that you are consciously creating space between the lungs
	Breath all the way into the bottom of your lungs And imagine that underneath your lungs, there are little tiny lungs, the kidneys And direct your breath all the way down into your kidneys So that it feels like that you are expanding even more the physical internal room Using this expansion of the kidneys and the lungs as an object of your meditation Continue to direct your attention towards that practise
	Whenever you notice that a secondary thought comes in Don't worry, don't follow it and come right back to breathing into your kidneys
	And continue to make subtle adjustments to the spine Little micro movements, creating space from your tailbone all the way up to the scull
	And as you elongate your breath at the bottom of your exhale just pause slightly And at the top of your inhale just pause slightly as if you were looking for a buoyancy in the breath, a floating quality
	Noticing thoughts
	Underneath practise the breathing into your kidneys Begin to feel as if there was an internal feeling of pleasantness Just the quality of being alive in this moment exactly as it is You continue resting entirely in your beingness, in that sensation of pleasantness The feeling of pleasantness starts in your belly With each breath, it continues to expand and expand, until it balances the entirety of your body And you're feeling not only the pleasantness of the energy floating the bones higher But also, feeling joy in feeling that your being is slightly larger
	Just noticing that through this practise your mind has become just a little bit more calm Become aware of the effects of tuning in and doing this breathing and holding of the internal state Realise that now we can do this practise whenever you like throughout the day
	Slowly open your eyes
	Throughout todays asana practise, which will be a bit more meditative, see if you can keep coming back to these two things: Kidney breathing and breathing into this feeling of this internal state of pleasantness Whenever you start to feel exited in one way or the other
	And the consciousness starts to jump in or spinning just immediately come back to this practise







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Nadi Shodana (6 min.)

Fold left leg in, then right leg Left hand (like a cub) rests on top of the cubic bones underneath your belly Middle 3 finger stay together, levitated in front of ajna chakra Tilt your face slightly up Inhale fully, block the right nostril, exhale fully through the left

Finish your pranayama with an exhale on the left side

Lower both your palms down * mudra Inhale fill the lungs closing Jalandhara Bandha, squeezing Uddiyana Bandha and contract the pelvic floor hold the breath Keeping Mula Bandha activated exhale fully and hold the exhale, Jalandhara Bandha, squeezing Uddiyana Bandha, root lock

inhale arms over your head squeeze the muscles of the back of your spine Hold your breath at the top of your inhale Touch your tongue to the soft palate

step breathing (4 min.)

inhale 1/3 pause / inhale 2/3 pause / inhale all the way up, holding no tension, very gentle then you have the option doing same on the exhale or exhaling naturally as to what feels easy for you

inhale 1/3 pause / inhale 2/3 pause / inhale all the way pause exhale 1/3 pause / exhale 2/3 pause / exhale all the way now try to create an even rhythm so that every partition of your breath is the same counting time your face slightly upturned

noticing thoughts, correct posture come right back to your practise, to the object of your meditation

finishing your breath practise

at the top of the next inhale join me in a round of 21 Oms ('A' at the root 'U' along the spine to the hart 'M' over the head coming to the front of the face)

Sit absolutely still (4 min.)

