The Dance of Intention: Awaken the Dragon

The Virtues: Interconnection, Grace, and Balance of Love, Wisdom and Power in each moment.

The Focus: Flow and Power

The Apex: Flying Warrior

This practice can serve as a stand-alone practice or a mindful movement prep. It is also a great way to start your day. Let your intention be reflected in each pose.

SEQUENCE:

Tadasana—spread your wings and breathe Uttanasana—pulse with your breath Rotator Cuff Twist Scorpion Twist Down Dog (pulse, bending one knee at a time with breath) Plank (optional: inchworm with push-up, or do plank with one leg lifted) Chaturanga Cobra Down Dog Pulsing Parsvottanasana variation (3 breaths x 3 on each side) Uttanasana to standing Twisting Lunges Flying Warrior *Optional transition point-Anjaneyasana Runner's Lunge Vinyasa Vira II > Goddess Warrior > Trikonasana Vinyasa Pigeon Thigh Stretch Pigeon Uttanasana Janu Sirsasana Hamstring Hug Twist Meditation or Savasana

**Optional transition point* means that from Flying Warrior you could go into any other type of activity feeling warmed up for stable, powerful movement. You could insert your workout or run/ bike/hike and so on; then return to yoga and continue from the transition point with the rest of the practice serving as a cool down and mindful stretch.

This is a wonderful practice to do before adventures of any kind.

This is also a good way to go for a short ride on the wings of Shakti, get your blood flowing, and connect your intention to the manifest world through breath and movement.



Virabhadrasana III (Warrior III)









Tadasana spread your wings

Uttanasana pulse with your breath

Rotator Cuff Twist - Inhale center, Exhale to twist go from side to side with your breath press your shoulders firmly back





Scorpion twist from side to side



Down Dog, bend knees pulse with your breath



Plank, hold 3 breaths Optional: push-ups or one leg push-ups



Chaturanga lower to belly



Bhujangasana Cobra Pose



Down Dog enjoy your breath



Pulse from lunge to straight leg stretch 3 breaths straight, 1 breath bent knee 3 times each side



Twisting lunges with straight back leg side to side 5 to 10 times each side



Optional variation for Vira III with chair



Flying Warrior III pulse Tadasana to Vira III to Tadasana 5 to 10 times each side

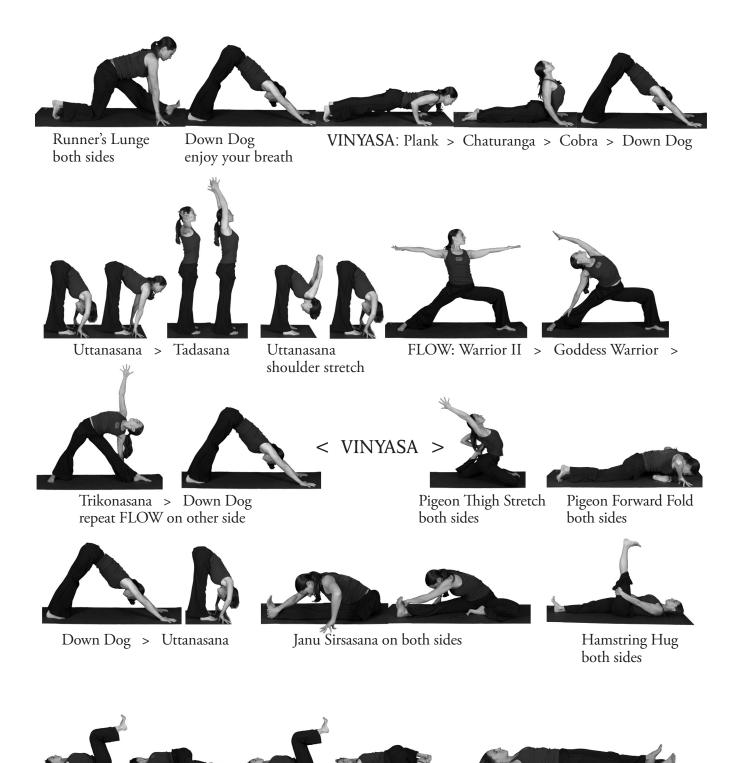
* Optional **TRANSITION** POINT



Down Dog enjoy your breath



Anjaneyasana both sides



Finishing Twist go to one side and take 3 to 5 deep breaths then inhale through center to the other side

Savasana relax for several minutes

enjoy your breath