## 1. Seated Mountain Pose (Tadasana)

## How to do it:

- 1. Sit tall on a sturdy chair with feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Relax your shoulders and rest your hands on your thighs.
- 3. Inhale deeply and raise your arms overhead.
- 4. Exhale and lower your arms.
- 5. Repeat 5–10 times.

- Improves posture
- Strengthens back and core muscles
- Increases lung capacity



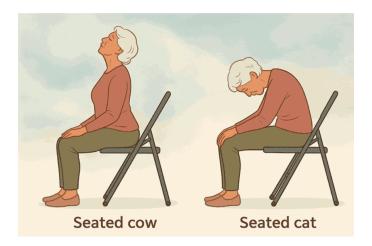
## 2. Seated Cat-Cow Stretch

#### How to do it:

- 1. Place your hands on your knees.
- 2. Inhale and arch your back, lifting your chest (Cow).
- 3. Exhale and round your spine (Cat).
- 4. Repeat 5–10 times, moving slowly and mindfully.

#### Benefits:

- Reduces stiffness in the spine
- Improves spinal flexibility



## Scientific Evidence:

A 2015 study in *Evidence-Based Complementary and Alternative Medicine* showed that spinal movements like Cat-Cow can improve mobility and reduce pain in seniors.

# 3. Seated Forward Bend (Paschimottanasana Variation)

## How to do it:

- 1. Sit tall with feet hip-width apart.
- 2. Inhale and stretch your arms overhead.
- 3. Exhale and bend forward, reaching your hands toward your shins or ankles.
- 4. Hold for 5–10 breaths and slowly return to the starting position.

- Stretches hamstrings, lower back, and spine
- Relieves tension in the back and legs



## 4. Seated Side Stretch

## How to do it:

- 1. Sit tall with feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Inhale, raise your arms overhead.
- 3. Exhale and gently reach to the right side, keeping your back straight.
- 4. Hold for 5 breaths, then switch sides.

- Opens up the ribcage
- Improves lung function
- Stretches obliques



## 5. Seated Twist

## How to do it:

- 1. Sit tall with feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Inhale, lengthen your spine.
- 3. Exhale, twist your torso gently to the right, holding onto the back of the chair if needed.
- 4. Hold for 3–5 breaths, then switch sides.

- Enhances spinal flexibility
- Supports digestion
- Improves posture



## 6. Seated Leg Lifts

## How to do it:

- 1. Sit tall with feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Slowly lift your right leg straight in front of you, keeping your knee slightly bent.
- 3. Hold for 5–10 seconds, then lower.
- 4. Repeat with the left leg.

## Benefits:

- Strengthens quadriceps
- Improves circulation
- Supports knee health

Tip: Add light ankle weights for extra strength training if comfortable.



## 7. Seated Shoulder Rolls

## How to do it:

- 1. Sit tall with arms relaxed by your sides.
- 2. Roll shoulders backward 5 times, then forward 5 times.

- Relieves shoulder tension
- Improves posture
- Reduces stiffness

