Duration45-60 minsDistance3600ydPool length25yd



Warm up (repeat 3 times)

- 1 x 100yd Freestyle Swim (even pace), rest 0:15 / 100yd
- Freestyle swim at a steady pace.
- 1 x 100yd Breaststroke Swim (even pace), rest 0:15 / 100yd

Breaststroke swim at a steady pace.

Build up (repeat 4 times)

2 x 50yd Backstroke DPS, rest 0:10 / 50yd

Backstroke swim with maximum Distance Per Stroke (DPS). Concentrate on long, efficient strokes and a high streamlined body position to reduce drag in the water. Count your strokes per lap and try to reduce.

• 1 x 50yd Backstroke Single Arm (arm by side) 12 x left, 12 x right, 12 x full stroke, rest 0:10 / 50yd

Backstroke using one arm at a time, focusing on shoulder and hip rotation. Complete 12 arm strokes with the left arm then 12 strokes with the right arm, followed by 12 strokes using both arms. The non-stroking arm is held loosely by your side.

1 x 50yd Backstroke Push & Glide, rest 0:10 / 50yd

Backstroke swim, pausing at the end of every stroke with arms out-stretched for 10 kicks. One arm should be held out front and the other held loosely against your body while kicking.

Core

- 8 x 100yd Freestyle Swim, rest 0:20 / 100yd
- 6 x 100yd 50/50 Freestyle + Breaststroke, rest 0:20 / 100yd

Swim alternate lengths of Freestyle and Breaststroke. If you prefer, you can split longer distances by units instead of pool lengths e.g. Swim 100 Freestyle followed by 100 Breaststroke.

6 x 100yd Freestyle Swim, 50/50 Easy + Effort, rest 0:20 / 100yd

Swim Freestyle with alternating laps of easy and effort.

Warm down

2 x 50yd Breaststroke Easy, rest 0:10 / 50yd

Breaststroke swim at a slow, relaxed pace.

2 x 50yd Backstroke Easy, rest 0:10 / 50yd

Backstroke swim at a slow, relaxed pace. Concentrate on long slow strokes.

Intensity key

Easy: 50-60% of your maximum heart rate

Aerobic: 60-70% of your maximum heart rate

Endurance: 70-80% of your maximum heart rate

Sprint: 80-90% of your maximum heart rate