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## Single Leg Stretch

- Begin lying on your back, neutral spine and pelvis, with knees bent up in 'table top' position.

- Inhale to curl up and hold knees.

- Exhale and scoop as you extend the left leg away, 45°, and hold the right knee in to the chest. Your left hand holds the inside of the right knee, the right hand the outside of the shin.

- Inhale then exhale to change legs, drawing the left knee in to the body.
- Repeat x 10 each leg, exhaling with each movement.

## Points to Remember:

- Keep the torso square and stable just the legs and hands move.
- Stabilise the shoulder blades.
- \* If you have lower back problems keep the extended leg high.

## Beginner version:

Leave head down, extend leg straight up to ceiling whilst holding other knee in and concentrate on scooping your abdominals as the legs extend up,  $x \ 10$  each side.

Please warm up before attempting these exercises.

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