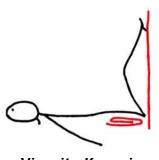
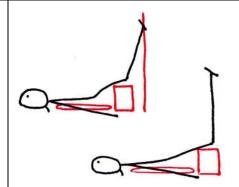
Six options for Salamba Sarvangasana



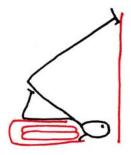
Viparita Karani (Legs up the Wall)

- Gentle inversion which is preferred for menstruating women or anyone with neck/shoulder problems or those needing a bit of rest.
- Sit beside wall and swing legs up as you lie on back
- Rest pelvis either flat on floor or with long-fold blanket in curve of lower back.
- Rest for up to 5 minutes



Block Salamba Sarvangasana (Block Shoulderstand)

- Lie with shoulders on standard-fold blanket, head on floor
- Lift hips onto highest height of block that is comfortable
- Press arms into floor as extend legs upward.
- Either rest feet against wall, or hold legs upright for up to 5 minutes.



Wall Salamba Sarvangasana (Wall Shoulderstand)

- Set up 1-2 standard-fold blankets at end of mat, 1½ feet away from wall. Fold other end of mat over blankets
- Lie with shoulders on blankets, head on floor
- Bring knees into chest and lift feet up wall drawing elbows in to shoulder width, hands rest on lower back
- Keep body at right-angle for 10-20 breaths.



Chair Salamba Sarvangasana (Chair Shoulderstand)

PARTNER POSE:

- Take chair off mat and place 2 long-fold blankets in front
- Sit backwards in char with legs over arm rests, partner holds chair steady
- Gently lie back HOLDING ONTO CHAIR until your shoulders are on blankets, head on floor
- Lift feet upright and extend thru legs while pressing arms into floor 10-20 breaths.



Right-Angle Salamba Sarvangasana (Right-Angle Shoulderstand)

- Set up 1-2 standard-fold blankets at end of mat. Fold other end of mat over blankets
- Lie with shoulders on blankets, head on floor
- Bring knees into chest and press arms to sides as you lift feet over head
- Draw elbows in to shoulder width, hands rest on lower back
- Keep body at right-angle for 10-20 breaths.



Full Salamba Sarvangasana (Full Shoulderstand)

- Set up 1-2 standard-fold blankets at end of mat. Fold other end of mat over blankets
- Lie with shoulders on blankets, head on floor
- Bring knees into chest and press arms to sides as you lift feet over head
- Draw elbows in to shoulder width, hands rest on lower back
- Work hands down back as you bring body into straighter position - hold 10-20 breaths.