

No one actually admits it but everyone knows it's true -- most of us work hard in the gym to see results in the bedroom. Sure, looking good naked is great for self-confidence, and thus performance, but your routine should be targeting more than just aesthetics.

There are several reasons why exercise gives you an edge in the bedroom, stamina and strength being at the top of the list. More specifically, cardiovascular fitness is crucial in stamina and improving muscle strength does wonders, as orgasms depend on multiple muscle activity.

However, it's not always what you see when you look in the mirror. Usually the smaller muscles we can't see or feel that make the difference. Learn how to perform these seven exercises to help target those muscles, improving your sex life and getting a bed ready body in the process.

Crunches



Keep it in mind that your abs are a critical sex-boosting body area to work on. Aren't you going to use your abdominal muscles during sex?

How To: Lie on your back, hands supporting your neck, knees bent, and your feet on the floor. Then bring your body up just enough to get your shoulders off the ground. Do 3 to 5 sets of 15 to 20 repetitions.

Bridge



How To: Lying on your back, knees bent, feet on the floor, lift your hips up and down for 3 sets of 15 reps.



Standing Hip Abduction

One more exercise for a great burn in your glutes. How To: Start standing tall, shoulders back and down, core engaged and feet together. Lean over onto your left leg so that your right foot hovers off of the ground and with your hands on your hips (or your arms extended outward for more of a challenge), lift your right leg up and away from your left. Slowly return your right leg to the starting positon, hovering just above the floor. Do not let it rest on the floor. Do 3 sets of 15 to 20 reps on each side.

Torso Side Bends and Twists



To get the most from this exercise, head to the gym. The effort is worth it because torso side bends and twists will keep your upper body strong and give you stamina. Pushing or pulling exercise in the gym. Rows, flyes, and lateral raises on the cable crossover machine will do a great job of enhancing your performance in the bedroom.

How To: Begin sitting on the floor, knees bent feet planted firmly. Draw your belly button into your spine to engage your core as you lean back slightly and raise your feet off the ground so that your calves are parallel to the floor. Keep your shoulders relaxed as you slowly twist to your right side and tap the floor next to your right hip. Return to the center and then twist to the left. Repeat this sequence for 3 sets of 15 to 20 reps.