1. Hip Release Hook lying (Ball)

Preparation:

- Lie on your back with your feet flat on the floor.
- Place ankle up on opposite knee
- Place a small ball underneath your buttock.
- Placement of the ball should be on the tight/tender muscles, not bone.

Execution:

- Let your hip sink into the ball.
- Allow the ball to release the tight muscles in your buttock.



Let hip sink into ball

Sets: 3

2. Piriformis Stretch

Preparation:

- · Lie on back with knees bent, feet flat on floor
- Cross one leg overtop
- · Lock hands around knee

Execution:

• Pull knee toward opposite shoulder



Reps: 5 spots each side

Side view -Cross leg over knee



Front view -Grab knee with hands

Sets: 1



Hold: 30sec.

Duration: 20 sec. each spot

Pull knee toward opposite shoulder

Duration: 3 min

3. Thigh Release (Foam Roller)

Execution:

- Position foam roll beneath hip, as shown.
- Roll side to side across the foam roller
- Go side to side a few times then move up or down and repeat

Note: This exercise is normally quite uncomfortable. If it gets to be too much, give yourself a break.



Start Position



Roll out along foam

4. Quadriceps Stretch (Box)

Preparation:

- Kneel on the ground with bakc foot on box or step as shown
- Rotate your pelvis slightly backward, flattening your lower back

Execution:

• Lean back slightly to feel a stretch



Sets: 3

Keep pelvis rotated

Sets: 1

5. Calf Release (Foam Roller)

Preparation:

• Sit with your calf on a foam roll.

Execution:

- · Roll your calf sideways across the foam roller
- Stop on tight portions of the calf muscle to allow them to release.



Sit with calf on foam roll



Duration: 3 minutes

Hold: 30 sec.

Roll calf up and down roll

Sets: 3

Hold: 30 sec.

6. Gastrocs Stretch (Wall)

Preparation:

 Stand in front of a wall with one leg forward and one leg back

Execution:

 Keeping your back leg straight and heel on ground, lean forward bending your front knee



Eyes and head forward, hands relaxed on wall, belly button pulled in



Bend elbows to move closer to the wall to stretch the back leg, keep front knee behind toes

7. Hamstring Stretch

Preparation:

• Stand with you foot on an elevated surface

Execution:

- With your knee bent to about 90 deg., lean forward and place your forearms on your thigh
- Slowly straighten your knee out until you feel the stretch in your hamstring, NOT BEHIND YOUR KNEE OR DOWN INTO YOUR CALF.



Put one foot up on a chair or table



Sets: 3 **Hold:** 30sec.

Push your knee down to stretch the back of your thigh