THE BLUEPRINT TO CUTS

A quality physique must show clear separation between muscle groups. Of course that will mean different things to different people, but at its roots a quality physique has to show definition and separation between every major muscle group.

On that note, each individual muscle group should show clear distinction as well. It must be evident that the muscle is prominent and that it is lean. Total muscularity is a result of training each muscle so thoroughly that every plane, contour and aspect is brought out and fully revealed. There cannot be any weak links and it must be evident that you have spent ample time working hard in the weight room and spent just as much time making the right decisions when it comes to diet and supplementation.

This program details an ideal way to lower your body fat sufficiently, giving you the opportunity to show off your muscles and work in the gym in the way you’ve always wanted.

TRAINING FOR MAXIMUM MUSCULARITY

#1 Higher Volume Training
#2 Increased Training Pace
#3 Additional Training Principals & Methods
#4 Sharpen Mental Focus
#5 Discipline on Diet & Supplementation
#6 Post Workout – Run 1-2 miles as fast as possible 3-5 times per week

TRAINING SPLITS BY ARNOLD

The training splits that I used were tremendous and helped me achieve a championship physique for more than a decade. When I was in my prime, I could train all day at a high level and at a great pace, and I liked to hit each muscle group three times per week. I realize it’s hard for a lot of people to have time to do this and recovery could also be an issue.

However, by splitting it up into training each body part twice per week you’re really allowing yourself a chance to enjoy maximal gains. Throw in your meal and supplementation plan, and the results are going to get even better. In fact, I’m confident the results could be unreal for you. This combination could really take your body to a level you didn’t think was possible. The volume, short amount of rest and huge number of Super-Sets and tri-sets make it really happen when it comes to the workouts. This type of training really clicked for me and I think it will do the same for you.

Remember, you get what you put into your body so make it count as well, whether you’re in the gym or at the dinner table. You’re building an intricate sculpture, and it’s going to be evident each day what you’re doing. The choice is yours and the sky is the limit.

LET’S MAKE THIS SCULPTURE THE BEST IT CAN BE AND LET’S GET TO WORK.
ARNOLD’S METHODS

I used and added a number of different methods to this template of workouts. I also added some new twists to help shock your body even more and open yourself up to more growth. The key to utilizing these methods is subbing them in at the proper time. I had a similar set up and split for years, but when I needed a boost or when I needed to jump-start some muscle growth, I would sub in one or two of these methods. It kept things fresh, gave me a great pump, kept me motivated and intense in the gym, and yielded some new gains as well.

METHODS:

1-10 METHOD
After a warm-up set or two, find a weight you’re only able to get for one rep. After you perform that 1 rep, take just enough weight off to perform 2 reps. From there, do the same for 3 reps and 4 reps, going all the way up to 10 reps. This is brutal because you take no rest in between sets. The only rest you get is when you’re unloading the weights. This was a very effective way to vary things for me, and it’s a total shocker to the muscle.

STRIPPING METHOD/SHOCKING PRINCIPLE
After a warm-up, perform the exercise with weight you can get for 5 reps than immediately take some weight off and get another 5-8 reps. Then with no rest keep repeating, reducing your weight, until you’re down to the bar, repping that for 20 reps.

RUNNING-THE-RACK
Training right in front of the dumbbell rack was a favorite of mine. I would pick an exercise and shock it by running the rack, which can make for a brutal extended workset. For example, start with 80 lb. dumbbells for 5 curls, put them down and immediately grab the 70s for 8, then 60 lbs for 12 and on down the line until you get to the end. This can be applied to any exercise and your muscles will be screaming after this.

¼ REP METHOD
You do a full-range rep on a particular movement and then either go ¼ back down or let the weight down (or up, depending on the movement) before finishing another partial rep. That is considered one rep. This really freaks out the muscle fibers and gives you an incredible pump.

28 METHOD
This method is crazy and it will humble the weights you’re using very fast. It is performed by doing 7 regular reps, 7 extra slow reps (on both the eccentric and concentric), 7 ½ reps at the top, and finishing with 7 ½ reps at the bottom. This is a crazy method, but be warned – you will need to go light to get through this.

5-COUNT METHOD
This is simply slowing down the motion. While doing the movement, you’re counting in your head 5 seconds up and 5 seconds down on each rep. This makes you have flawless form. Technique is imperative here and it’s a great way to test your strength while using this time under tension method.

MAX EFFORT
Pick one exercise and see what you can do for a 1-rep max. To get there, work up to the weight with the following rep pyramid, taking ample rest between each set: 20, 15, 10, 8, 5, 3, 1, 1, 1 (max)
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**ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER: BLUEPRINT TO CUTS PHASE ONE OVERVIEW**

Use this as a quick reference to the Arnold Schwarzenegger Blueprint to Cuts. Cross the workout off as you complete them and track your own progress.
Follow the rep ranges below unless listed otherwise

**CHEST/BACK PHASE 1: MON / THURS**

**REMEMBER:** Run 1-2 Miles as fast as possible 3-5 times per week Post-Workout

**REST PERIODS:** Take a drink of water (30-45 Seconds) between Sets

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<td><strong>Bench Press:</strong> 30, 10, 10, 10, 10, 5 Wide-Grip Chins: 10, 10, 10, 10, 10</td>
<td>Super-Set: 6 Sets</td>
<td>Week Three: Do Max Effort 1-Rep Bench Wide-Grip Chins: Add weight if needed</td>
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<td>3 SUPER-SET FLAT DUMBBELL FLYES W/ SEATED CABLE ROWS</td>
<td><strong>Flat Dumbbell Flyes:</strong> 12 Reps Seated Cable Rows: 12 Reps</td>
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<td>4 SUPER-SET DIPS W/ CLOSE-GRIP CHIN-UPS</td>
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<td>5 SUPER-SET DUMBBELL PULLOVERS W/CABLE CROSSOVERS</td>
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**LEGS PHASE 1: TUES / FRI**

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<td>2 SUPER-SET LEG EXTENSIONS W/ LEG CURLS</td>
<td><strong>Leg Extensions:</strong> 10 Reps <strong>Leg Curls:</strong> 10 Reps</td>
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**ARMS**  PHASE 1: WED

**REMEMBER:** Run 1-2 Miles as fast as possible 3-5 times per week Post-Workout

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<td><strong>3</strong> Super-Set Incline Alternating Dumbbell Curls W/ Overhead Rope Press</td>
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**SHOULDERS**  PHASE 1: SAT

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<td><strong>2</strong> Super-Set: Arnold Presses W/ Barbell Upright Rows</td>
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When I was in my prime, there certainly weren’t the vast amount of supplements available to lifters today. In fact, they were pretty basic, but they were still divided up into the same categories (pre-workout, post-workout, protein, etc.) and there were some that I really relied on to be successful.

These days, supplements have really advanced to impressive degrees, and we’ve really put forward a great deal of resources to make sure our supplement line is both safe and effective. Endless trials and studies have proven this, and when implemented properly – especially during a cutting phase – they can play a major role in getting leaner and preserving (or even building) muscle.

For my own contest prep, I wanted to make sure I could reveal all the hard-earned muscle I had achieved in the gym. I spent a great deal of time and pushed my body to the brink to put on quality muscle, and I didn’t want it disappearing during contest prep because I wasn’t taking the right supplements or I wasn’t getting the most out of my diet.

Through the years, I’ve found what has worked and what hasn’t through endless trial and error, and I’m excited to pass those successes on to you.

This supplement regimen is vastly different from the old days, and that means it’s vastly improved as well. When utilized and timed correctly, these supplements and this diet plan can yield outstanding results, getting you lean, keeping you muscular and taking your body to new levels. Don’t worry about any of the guesswork of what to take, when to take it, what to eat or any other questions you may have. That’s all been removed with this plan. All you have to do is follow along and the benefits will come.

This supplement regimen is a huge improvement from what I had, and I have the highest level of confidence that your body will look decidedly different if you fully dedicate yourself to this program. Everything is presented to you here and now it’s up to you to attack it with an incredible fury.
EARLY MORNING
Take ARNOLD IRON CUTS and ARNOLD IRON WHEY, 1-2 scoops with 8-12 oz Water

DURING WARM-UP
Take ARNOLD IRON PUMP

POST WORKOUT
Take ARNOLD IRON WHEY, 2 scoops with 8-12 oz Water

Meal 1
2 Hours After Workout
4 Whole Eggs
1/4 Cup Oats
ARNOLD IRON PACK

Meal 2
8-10 oz Grilled Meat
3 Cups of Veggies
1 Serving of Almonds
ARNOLD IRON CUTS, before Meal (Optional)

Meal 3
2 Cups Non-fat Cottage Cheese
1 Serving Almonds
Meal 4
8-10 oz Grilled Meat
3 Cups of Veggies

Meal 5
ARNOLD IRON WHEY,
2 scoops with 8-12 oz Water

BEFORE BED
ARNOLD IRON DREAM
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SUPER CREATINE NITRATE*
- INCREASED STRENGTH, POWER, RECOVERY*
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So if you plan to train like you’re building a legacy, just follow in Arnold’s footsteps.