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This form is the second form in a series starting with THE SHORT CORE FORM All additions and modifications to the first form are highlighted in blue.

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Preparation

Start with your feet together and your hands at your sides Bends your knees and pick up your left heel Step out to the left with your feet shoulder width apart Put a little space under your armpits and activate your hands Trace a circle backward with both arms (Raise and lower your arms) Bend your knees and sink your weight (Wu Chi posture) Rock your weight to the left and turn your right foot 45° to the right with your toe up Hold a ball of energy with your right hand on top and left hand on bottom Put your toe down and commit your weight to your right foot Pick up your left heel and point your knee forward Step forward with your left foot

Parting The Wild Horse's Mane

Do the following simultaneously: Rock your weight forward Turn your waist from 45° to straight forward Bring your left hand up and your right hand down Your left hand is in line with your shoulder with the palm facing you Your right hand should be at the same angle as your front thigh in front of you Step forward with your right foot into an inward stance facing 45° to the left Turn to the left

Stork Spreads Wings (Facing 90° To The Left)

Rock your weight back on your right foot and put your left toe on the ground Do the following simultaneously:

Raise your right arm with the palm up

Lower your left hand with the palm down

Round your arms and make sure they are in front of your body

These are blocks and should emulate the shape of the Yin and Yang symbol

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Brush Knee (Facing 90° To The Left)

Transition:

Extend your right hand straight forward with your palm up and fingers extended Bring your left hand up and block your face (keep your elbow down and wrist at eye level) Do the following simultaneously:

Bring your right arm up at a 45° angle back and to the right (right hand palm up)

Point the fingers on your left hand to the center of your right hand (left hand palm down) Step forward with your unweighted left foot

Brush the fingers of your left hand across your left kneecap

Aim the fingers of your right hand forward and push past your right ear

Flex the palm of your right hand and keep your elbow bent as you push in line with your shoulder

Rock Forward And Poke Down (Facing 90° To The Left)

Do the following simultaneously:

Rock your weight forward onto your left foot until you can bring up your right heel Keep your right toe on the ground

Keep your left hand to your side with your palm down (connecting to the earth)

Make sure your fingers are close together and your thumb is tucked to the side Turn your fingers forward with your thumb to the sky

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Curved your wrist downward and poke down in front of you with your right hand

Play The Guitar (Facing 90° To The Left)

Rock your weight back to your right foot

Pick up your left knee and expand your arms like you are holding a ball

Contract your arms and place your left heel on the ground with your toe at a 45° angle Place your arms at a 45° angle in the center of your body

Keep your hands a fist distance apart with the palm heel of the right hand in line with the left elbow

Repulse The Monkey (Facing 90° To The Left)

Swing your right arm straight back and the left arm up straight forward Rotate your hands so your palms face the sky Do the following simultaneously: Step back with your left foot and push yourself back with your right hand Rock your weight back until your right toe is up at a 45° angle Bring your left hand to your hip palm up Push your right palm forward in line with your shoulder but keep your arm at a 45° angle

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Shoulder Right And Left (Facing 90° To The Left)

Bring both hands down in front of your belly like you are holding a heavy metal ball Take a deep step back 45° to the right with your right foot Rock your weight into your right foot aiming your shoulder to the right Rock your weight into your left foot aiming your shoulder to the left

Ward Off (Facing 45° To The Right)

Move your right hand into a high outward block to the right keeping your elbow bent Move your right hand into a low inward block to the center

Do the following simultaneously:

Step forward and slightly to the right (shoulder width)

Point the fingers of your left hand toward your right palm

Keep your hands a forearm distance away from each other

Moving from low to high, pendulum straight up the center

Think about your left hand pushing your opponent's wrist and your right hand straightening their elbow

Think of your left hand as the candle flame and your right hand protecting it from the wind

Roll Back (Facing 45° To The Right)

Relax your hands and let your hands continue up and then turn over both hands Do the following simultaneously: Turn your waist 45° to the left Bring your left hand to two inches below your belly button Keep your left elbow away from your body Bring your right hand in line with your shoulder with the elbow bent at a 45° angle

Press (Facing 45° To The Right)

Bring your left hand up and turn your hands until palms are facing each other As soon as your arms are parallel, fold your left hand in and place your left palm on the inside of your right forearm Turn your waist until you face forward

Brace your forearm and push from behind like you are holding a shield

Push (Facing 45° To The Right)

Bring your hands inline with both shoulders with your elbows at a 45° angle Rock your weight back Push your hands forward like you're pushing a big boulder up a hill

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Single Whip (Facing 45° To The Right)

Do the following simultaneously:

Wave both hands to the left and bring them parallel to your belt line at your left hip Turn your right foot in at a 45° angle 90° angle

Hook your right hand and trace around your waist to your right hip

Keep your elbow tight to your waist

Bring your left hand to two inches below your belly button with your palm up Turn your waist 90° to the left and extend your right arm straight out from the shoulder Make sure the fingers on your right hand are pulled up and together like a crane's beak Do the following simultaneously:

Bring your left arm up and across your body

Step your left foot forward to the left and land with your left hand in line with your shoulder Make sure your arm is bent at a 45° angle with your hand in line with your shoulder

Wave Hands Like Clouds (Stationary)

Turn your waist until you face forward as you turn your left foot in at a 45° angle Bring up your right arm like you are hugging a cloud Bring your left arm underneath the cloud with your palm down Rock your weight into your right foot as you hug the cloud across Switch your hands and hug the cloud across to the left Switch your hands (As your right hand comes up, pick up your right foot) Step your right foot in until your feet are shoulder width apart (Wu Chi width) Do the following three times: Rock your weight into your right foot as you hug the cloud across Switch your hands (As your left hand comes up, pick up your left foot) Step your left foot to the left until your feet are double shoulder width apart (Horse Stance) Rock your weight into your left foot as you hug the cloud across Switch your hands (As your right hand comes up, pick up your right foot) Step your right foot in until your feet are shoulder width apart (Wu Chi width) Switch your hands and hug the cloud across to the right Do the following simultaneously: Switch your hands and step your right foot in and put your right toe on the ground Bring your left and right hands over to the left side of your body with palms facing left Point your left hand forward at throat level Point your right hand down at groin level Do the following simultaneously: Rock your weight into your right foot while keeping your left toe on the ground Extend your right arm straight out from the shoulder Make sure the fingers on your right hand are pulled up and together like a crane's beak Place your the bottom edge of your left hand two inches below your navel (palm up) Keep your left elbow forward

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Diagonal Single Whip

Tuck the thumb of your left hand into your palm Step your left foot back and to the left Turn 90° to the left while extending your left hand to the level of an opponent's neck Aim for your opponent's neck with the top edge of your left hand (palm up) Make sure your feet are shoulder width apart and your weight is shifted into your left foot Point the fingers of your left hand forward and rock your weight back into your right foot Place your thumb on the backside of your left hand Rock your weight into your left foot and flex your left hand forward into a chop

High Pat The Horse (Facing 90° To The Left)

Do the following simultaneously: Rock your weight back into your right foot Place your left toe on the ground Bring your left hand to your left hip with your palm up Bring your right hand above your shoulder and arc it forward Aim your palm heel at the bridge of your opponent's nose

Cross Hands (Facing 90° To The Left)

Do the following simultaneously: Fold your arm down with your right hand crossing your body (palm facing down) Think about catching your opponent's hands as they bring them to their face Cross your left hand over your right arm Keep your left palm up with your fingers tightly together Extend your fingers toward your opponent's neck

Split And Kick (Facing 90° To The Left)

Wave your hands above your head as you step your left foot forward placing it at a 45° angle Place your right toe on the ground in preparation for a kick Bring your right hand up and your right knee up at the same time Cross your right arm under your left and block above your head to the left Split your hands like goal posts and kick forward with your right foot

Double Wind Fills The Ears (Facing 90° To The Left)

Keep your right knee up and bring your arms up with your palms facing you Flick your hands forward and step forward with your right foot Make your hands into fists and swing them forward from the outside in Aim for your opponent's temples with the backs of your fists (first set of knuckles) Spiral your hands up as your rock your weight forward and land the strike as you land your weight forward

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Snake Creeps Down (Facing 180° To The Back)

Transition:

Turn and face 180° to the back and bring your left foot in line with your right (horizontally) Bring your hands in front of your shoulders with your elbows down Rock your weight into your left leg Make sure the fingers on your right hand are pulled up and together like a crane's beak Step your right foot back toward 90° To The Left and look left toward 90° To The Right

Hook your right hand down keeping your elbow close to your waist

Continue up with the arc of your hooked right hand and then scoop down with your left hand Move your left hand in the shape of a chop down the inside of your left leg fingertips first Think about a snake traveling down a branch or the trunk of a tree

Golden Rooster Stands On One Leg (Facing 90° To The Right)

Transition:

Straighten your left foot so it faces left toward 90° To The Right

Swing up your right hand and right knee simultaneously until you are standing on your left foot Keep your left hand palm down and think about connecting to the earth for balance Keep your right arm and knee in a line with your elbow down and your right hand up in a chop

Fair Lady Works The Shuttles

Rock your weight back to your left foot and turn your waist 45° to the left

Hold a ball of energy with your left hand on top and your right hand on the bottom Do the following simultaneously:

Bring your right hand up in front of you with your palm facing right

Bring your left hand to your left hip with your palm up

Do the following simultaneously:

Keep your right hand in line with your temple with your elbow up

Bring your right hand back to cushion a blow with your right hand

Rock your weight forward onto your right foot as you push forward with your left hand

Think about redirecting the incoming energy from your right hand into the outgoing energy of your left hand

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Fair Lady Works The Shuttles (Facing 90° To The Right)

Transition:

Step to the right and slightly forward with your right foot

Rock your weight into your right foot and put down your left toe on the same horizontal plane as your right foot (This move is commonly known as the side cat stance)

Hold a ball of energy with your right hand on top and your left hand on the bottom Do the following simultaneously:

Bring your left hand up in front of you with your palm facing left (extended 45° To The Right) Bring your right hand to your right hip with your palm up

Extend your left leg and put your left heel on the ground (extended 45° To The Right) Do the following simultaneously:

Keep your left hand in line with your temple with your elbow up

Bring your left hand back to cushion a blow with your left hand

Rock your weight forward onto your left foot as you push forward with your right hand Think about redirecting the incoming energy from your left hand into the outgoing energy of your right hand

Needle Beneath The Sea (Facing 90° To The Right)

Do the following simultaneously:

Slide your right foot behind your left foot and put your left toe on the ground

Point the fingers of your right hand forward with your thumb tucked and facing the sky Place the palm of your left hand on top of your right wrist

Drop your weight and fold forward at your waist while keeping your back straight and your left toe on the ground

Point your right fingers toward the ground and think about driving your energy downward

Fan To The Back (Facing 90° To The Right)

Rock your weight back to your left foot and turn your waist 45° to the left Hold a ball of energy with your left hand on top and your right hand on the bottom Move your left hand into a high outward block to the left keeping your elbow bent Move your left hand into a low inward block to the center

As your left hand comes in, bring your right and left hands up to your right temple Step your left foot in and place your toe on the ground facing 90° to the left

Come back to standing and bring your right and left hands up to your right temple

Place your left hand behind your right wrist with both palms facing to the right

Step your left foot forward (facing left) and slide your left hand forward while keeping your right hand up at your temple

Bring your left hand inline with your shoulder with your elbow at a 45° angle

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Elbow And Poke (Facing 180° To The Back)

Do the following simultaneously: Make a fist with your right hand Turn to the right to face the back and elbow to the right with your right elbow Bring your left hand up and over your head and poke to the right Rock your weight into your right foot Aim your elbow for your opponent's throat and your fingers for their eyes Think about your opponent bending over and bring their hands to their face.

Back Fist And Chop (Facing 90° To The Left)

Rock your weight into your left foot Do the following simultaneously: Step with your right forward toward 90° To The Left Make sure your feet are shoulder width apart Arc your fist up and over and put your weight into your right foot as your first comes down Your back fist should be extended in front of you and end in line with your right hip Do the following simultaneously: Trace the arc of your back fist with a left-handed chop Bring your right fist back to your hip as you bring your left chop down Your left chop should be extended in front of you and end in line with your right hip Think about hitting your opponent in the temple followed with a chop to the back of the neck.

Circling Covered Punch (Facing 90° To The Left)

Circle your right hand out and back as you make a fist Do the following simultaneously: Step your left foot forward Raise your left hand as if your are picking up your opponent by their chin Bring your closed fist past your waist Circle your left hand so it hovers over your forearm as it passes your waist

Apparent Close (Facing 90° To The Left)

Do the following simultaneously:

Fold your right hand in so your arms in line horizontally

Rock your weight back into your right foot (still facing left) with your palms facing you in line with your shoulders

Turn your palms forward and push your weight forward keeping your hands in line with your shoulders and your arms at a 45° angle

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Embrace Tiger

Wave both hands above your head from the center outward and step your right foot rock your weight to the right (turning directly to the front) Cross your right forearm across your left forearm with your palms facing you Pick up your left right foot and place your feet shoulder width apart Block down with your arms crossed in front you and your fingers pointing straight up

Return To Mountain

Bring your hands to your sides Bend your knees slightly Step your left foot back in and bring your feet together Stand up completely straight

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