

Train Yourself To Breathe Properly To Banish Anxiety And Find Your Inner Calm

Take a deep breath in... and out. It's something we do automatically, without even thinking about it. But did you know that the way you breathe can have a profound impact on your mental and physical health?

When you're anxious, your breath tends to become shallow and rapid. This can lead to a number of problems, including:

- Increased heart rate
- Increased blood pressure
- Muscle tension
- Headaches
- Difficulty concentrating
- Fatigue

But there's good news! You can learn to train yourself to breathe properly, and this can help to reduce anxiety and improve your overall health and well-being.



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The Importance of Diaphragmatic Breathing

The key to proper breathing is to use your diaphragm, a large muscle located just below your lungs. When you breathe diaphragmatically, your diaphragm contracts and pushes down on your lungs, filling them with air. This type of breathing is more efficient and relaxing than shallow breathing, and it can help to reduce anxiety and stress.

How to Practice Diaphragmatic Breathing

To practice diaphragmatic breathing, follow these steps:

1. Lie down on your back with your knees bent and your feet flat on the floor.
2. Place one hand on your chest and the other on your abdomen.
3. Take a deep breath in through your nose, allowing your abdomen to expand.
4. Exhale slowly through your mouth, feeling your abdomen contract.
5. Repeat steps 3 and 4 for 5-10 minutes.

Benefits of Diaphragmatic Breathing

Diaphragmatic breathing has a number of benefits, including:

- **Reduced anxiety and stress:** Diaphragmatic breathing helps to activate the parasympathetic nervous system, which is responsible for relaxation. This can help to reduce anxiety and stress levels.
- **Improved sleep:** Diaphragmatic breathing can help to promote relaxation and improve sleep quality.
- **Increased energy levels:** Diaphragmatic breathing helps to improve oxygenation of the blood, which can lead to increased energy levels.
- **Reduced pain:** Diaphragmatic breathing can help to reduce pain by relaxing muscles and improving circulation.
- **Improved digestion:** Diaphragmatic breathing can help to improve digestion by massaging the abdominal organs.

Other Tips for Banishing Anxiety

In addition to practicing diaphragmatic breathing, there are a number of other things you can do to banish anxiety and find your inner calm, including:

- **Get regular exercise:** Exercise is a great way to reduce stress and improve mood.
- **Eat a healthy diet:** Eating a healthy diet can help to improve your overall health and well-being, which can lead to reduced anxiety.
- **Get enough sleep:** When you're sleep-deprived, you're more likely to feel anxious and stressed. Aim for 7-8 hours of sleep per night.
- **Learn relaxation techniques:** There are a number of relaxation techniques that can help to reduce anxiety, such as yoga, meditation,

and deep breathing.

- **Seek professional help:** If you're struggling to manage your anxiety on your own, don't be afraid to seek professional help. A therapist can help you to identify the root of your anxiety and develop coping mechanisms.

Anxiety is a common problem, but it doesn't have to control your life. By learning to train yourself to breathe properly and following the other tips in this article, you can banish anxiety and find your inner calm.



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