HOT TOWEL SCRUB

Body scrubbing can be done before or after your bath or shower, or anytime during the day. All you need is a sink with hot water and a medium-sized cotton washcloth.

For the maximum effect, scrub your body twice a day: once in the morning and once again in the evening. Scrub for two to 20 minutes, depending on the amount of time you have. The process of the hot towel scrub has a deeper physical, mental, and emotional effect when done at the sink as opposed to in the shower.

Directions:

Turn on the hot water and fill the sink.

Hold the towel at both ends and place in the hot water.

Wring out the towel.

While the towel is still hot and steamy, begin to scrub the skin gently.

Do one section of the body at a time: for example, begin with the hands and fingers and work your way up the arms to the shoulders, neck and face, then down to the chest, upper back, abdomen, lower back, buttocks, legs, feet, and toes.

Scrub until the skin becomes slightly pink or until each part becomes warm.

Reheat the towel often by dipping it in the sink of hot water after scrubbing each body section, or as soon as the towel starts to cool.



Benefits:

Reduces muscle tension

Reenergizes in the morning and deeply relaxes at night

Opens the pores to release stored toxins

Softens deposits of hard fat below the skin and prepares them for discharge

Allows excess fat, mucus, cellulite, and toxins to actively discharge to the surface rather than to accumulate around deeper vital organs

Relieves stress through meditative action of rubbing the skin

Calms the mind

Promotes circulation

Activates the lymphatic system, especially when scrubbing the underarms and groin

Easy massage and deep self-care

Can be a sacred moment in your day, especially if done with candlelight and a drop or two of essential oil, such as lavender

Creates a profound and loving relationship with the body, especially parts not often shown care, and especially for a person with body image problems

Spreads energy through the chakras