



# Master Cycle

THE GRACIE WAY FROM BLUE TO BLACK BELT

## Detailed Technique Schedule MAY 2022




	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	No-Gi THURSDAY No-Gi	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
A M	2	11:00am-12:00pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Half Guard / Top BBS2 Lesson 33 – Tripod Extras 1) Temple Pass 2) Invisible Underhook	NO CLASS	5	6:30am-7:30am Technique Review & Sparring	7
		7:30pm-8:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Half Guard / Top BBS2 Lesson 33 – Tripod Extras 1) Temple Pass 2) Invisible Underhook				
P M		7:30pm-8:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Half Guard / Top BBS2 Lesson 34 – Reverse Half Guard Pass 1) Standard Variation 2) Tripod Transition		6:30pm-7:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Half Guard / Top BBS1 Lesson 35 – Three-Quarter Guard Pass 1) High Step 2) Tripod Pass 3) Heavy Hips		
	9	11:00am-12:00pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Half Guard / Top BBS3 Lesson 31 – Deep Half Passes 1) Entry Prevention 2) North Pass 3) South Pass	NO CLASS	12	6:30am-7:30am Technique Review & Sparring	14
	7:30pm-8:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Half Guard / Top BBS3 Lesson 31 – Deep Half Passes 1) Entry Prevention 2) North Pass 3) South Pass			6:30pm-7:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Half Guard / Top BBS3 Lesson 32 – Sneaky Passes 1) Low Hip Hug 2) Cross Knee Slice		
A M	16	11:00am-12:00pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Half Guard / Top BBS4 Lesson 33 – Guillotine Mastery 1) Standard Finish 2) Mount Finish 3) Guillotine Connections	NO CLASS	19	6:30am-7:30am Technique Review & Sparring	21
		7:30pm-8:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Half Guard / Top BBS4 Lesson 33 – Guillotine Mastery 1) Standard Finish 2) Mount Finish 3) Guillotine Connections				
P M		7:30pm-8:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Back Mount / Controls BBS1 Lesson 36 – Crossover Control 1) Standard Crossover 2) TAC Transfer		6:30pm-7:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Back Mount / Controls BBS1 Lesson 37 – Triple Threat 1) Getup Prevention 2) Crossover Prevention		
	23	11:00am-12:00pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Back Mount / Controls BBS2 Lesson 35 – Turtle Control 1) Sprawl & Spin 2) Double Lapel Control 3) Turtle Tip 4) Turtle Hooks	NO CLASS	26	6:30am-7:30am Technique Review & Sparring	28
	7:30pm-8:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Back Mount / Controls BBS2 Lesson 35 – Turtle Control 1) Sprawl & Spin 2) Double Lapel Control 3) Turtle Tip 4) Turtle Hooks			6:30pm-7:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Back Mount / Controls BBS2 Lesson 36 – Modified Back Mount 1) Strong Side 2) Weak Side 3) Belly Down Transfer		
A M	30	11:00am-12:00pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Back Mount / Controls BBS4 Lesson 34 – Sneaky Back Takes 1) Armlock Entry 2) Quarter Roll 3) North-South Lift				
		7:30pm-8:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Back Mount / Controls BBS4 Lesson 34 – Sneaky Back Takes 1) Armlock Entry 2) Quarter Roll 3) North-South Lift				
P M		7:30pm-8:30pm (+ 30 min sparring) Chapter & Sub Section: Back Mount / Controls BBS4 Lesson 35 – The Crucifix 1) Triple Threat Entry 2) Turtle Entry 3) Crucifix Connections (x2)				



Beyond Gracie Combatives, Gracie Jiu-Jitsu consists of hundreds of advanced techniques, all of which have been organized into a clearly defined, systematic curriculum called The Master Cycle. The Master Cycle is broken down into seven positional chapters each of which is studied for several months before moving on to the next. To optimize your learning in the Master Cycle, it is important that you utilize a blend of technique classes, spar classes, and online classes at GracieUniversity.com.

**Sub-Sections**

**The Seven Chapters**

1. Mount	2. Side Mount	3. Guard	4. Half Guard	5. Back Mount	6. Leg Locks	7. Standing
Escapes	Escapes	Controls	Bottom Strategies	Controls	Straight Foot Locks	Front Attack Defenses
Controls	Controls	Passes	Top Strategies	Submissions	Toe Hold Foot Locks	Rear Attack Defenses
Submissions	Submissions	Submissions		Submission Counters	Knee Locks	Weapon Defenses
Submission Counters	Submission Counters	Submission Counters			Heel Hooks	Clinch & Takedowns
		Sweeps				
		Sport Guards				

**TECHNIQUE CLASSES**

Each technique class begins with a 15-20 minute review/warm-up period during which you will go over techniques from previous lessons, share/receive knowledge from your training partners, and explore any techniques that you may have learned online through Gracie University. After the review, the instructor will present 2-3 variations of a technique that pertains to the positional chapter of study. In a cooperative manner, you will practice the techniques with a partner.

**SPARRING CLASSES**

Sparring classes are approximately 30 minutes long and usually take place immediately after technique classes. This is where you will have a chance to test your skills against a variety of training partners in a safe environment through a variety of training exercises, such as: Rapid Mastery Drills, Street Sparring, Focus Sparring Exercises, and Fight Simulation Drills. Students who do not train in a safe and productive manner will not be allowed to participate in sparring classes. If you are nursing an injury or you are new to the Master Cycle, you should not spar, and you are encouraged to use the sparring class time to review techniques with a cooperative partner until you are ready to spar. Remember to tap early, tap often, and always identify the hidden lessons when you spar.

**24-HOUR PROGRESS**

There is a remarkable difference in the rate of progress between students who study in their off-time and those who don't. As an active member of the Master Cycle program, you qualify for a free subscription to GracieUniversity.com, which gives you unlimited online access to the Master Cycle video-based curriculum. If you haven't been granted access please speak to a receptionist. With this resource, you can review past lessons, learn new techniques, and prepare for future belt tests 24 hours a day from any computer or mobile device! Use GU to boost your progress on and off the mat!

**GROW AT YOUR OWN PACE**

Unlike the Gracie Combatives program, which is entirely designed for new students to the art, the Master Cycle program caters to students of all belt levels from blue to black. As a result, you will often be exposed to techniques beyond your belt level. These advanced techniques should be practiced enthusiastically, and will give you a good idea of what to look forward to, but you should not burden yourself with the task of trying to memorize them all. If a move seems easy and applicable for you, take it, but if not, leave it alone and trust that you'll get it next time you cycle through that chapter. Remember, it's not a sprint, it's a marathon, and you're only racing against yourself, so be patient and have fun!