LET'S DANCE August/September 1970

FANDANGO MAGDALENA

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This dance was arranged by Madelynne Greene from authentic dances learned in Spain, and was presented by her at the University of the Pacific Folk Dance Camp, 1958.

MUSIC:

Record: Espana Vol II, London LP 1682 - Side 2 - Band 2

Piano: Moszkowski's "Spanish Dance No. 1"

FORMATION:

Double circle, ptrs facing about 3 ft apart, "back to ctr. Arms are down in front and slightly curved, hands with fingers pointing twd each other.

STEPS AND STYLING:

Jota (2 meas): Jump onto both ft, knees slightly turned out, R heel pointed twd L instep (ct 1); hold (ct 2); hop L, lifting R leg with knee turned out (ct 3). Turn once CW with 3 steps, RLR (cts 1, 2, 3). Next jota step reverses ftwork and turn.

Buzz Turn (2 meas): Step R approximately in place each time (ct 1), step L toe behind R (ct 2). Repeat 2 more times (cts 3, 1 and 2,3).

Waltz Balance*

Step Draw: Step sdwd (ct 1), draw free ft across supporting ft, taking wt (ct 2), step sdwd on free ft (ct 3).

<u>Deep Knee Bends</u>: Standing with ft apart and arms raised, turn body 1/4 L (CCW) and bend knees so that R knee almost touches floor, R arm curved in front, L arm over head (cts 1, 2); recover (ct 3). This movement is smooth and continuous. Next step and arm pos are reversed to turn R (CW).

Back is arched, rib cage lifted; shoulders are back and down; toes are turned out.

*Described in volumes of "Folk Dances From Near and Far" published by the Folk Dance Federation of California, Inc., 1095 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94103.

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PATTERN

Measures

2 meas INTRODUCTION

Raise arms gradually to pos for jota: Arms curved overhead slightly fwd, hands 4 to 6 inches apart.

I. JOTA

- A 1-12 Dance 6 jota steps. Begin with a jump, lift R and turn CW.
 - 13-14 Dance one buzz turn turning once CW, arms held chest high, R arm curved in front, L in back, looking over R shoulder.
 - 15 Step R to face ptr, (ct 1), hold (ct 2), stamp L in place (ct 3).
 - Stamp ball of R, no wt, to finish with R shoulder and R knee pointing twd ptr, R arm curved in front of chest, L arm raised (ct 1); hold (cts 2, 3).
- 🔀 A 1-16 Repeat action of meas 1-16.

II. WALTZ BALANCE

- B 1 Step R sdwd R twd ptr (ct 1), step L behind R while lifting heels off floor, body bending to L (ct 2), step R in place (ct 3).
 - Step L sdwd L, away from ptr (ct 1), step R across in front of L while lifting heels off floor, body bending to R (ct 2), step L in place (ct 3).
 - Exchange places with ptr passing R shoulders with the following action: Step R (ct 1), sweep L fwd (ct 2), hop R beginning one complete turn CW (ct 3). Lower L hand to follow sweep of ft.
 - Take 2 steps in place, LR (R behind L), completing CW turn to end with L shoulder twd ptr, both arms curved overhead (cts 1, 2), hold (ct 3).

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- 5-7 Repeat action of meas 1-3 (Fig II), reversing arm pos, starting L, keeping L in front of R, passing L shoulders and turning CCW.
- 8 Stamp ball of R (no wt) in front of L to end with R shoulder and R knee turned twd ptr, both arms curved overhead.
- 9-16 Repeat action of meas 1-8 (Fig II).

III. JOTA

A 1-16 Repeat action of Fig I, meas 1-16. Finish facing ptr. M take wt on last stamp.

IV. STEP DRAW AND PIVOT

During pause in music \forall slowly raise R arm overhead, other arm curved in front of chest. TRAVEL during this figure.

- C 1-2 Beginning ML-MR, take 2 step-draws LOD. Bend body sdwd and look at trailing ft.
 - Moving in LOD, pivot in one complete turn away from ptr (M CCM, W CM) with the following action: M step L (ct 1), hold (ct 2), step R (ct 3); touch L (ct 1), hold (cts 2, 3). We dance counterpart.
 - 5-8 Repeat action of meas 1-4 (Fig IV), but take wt on last step (meas 8, ct 1).
 - 9-12 Repeat action of meas 1-4 (Fig IV) but move RLOD, reversing arm pos and turn, starting MR-WL.
 - 13-14 Do 2 deep knee bends, beginning M to L, W to R.
 - 15-16 Repeat action of meas 3-4 (Fig IV).
- C 1-14 Repeat action of meas 1-14 (Fig IV).
 - 15-16 Repeat action of meas 3 (Fig IV) twice, making a total of 2 turns.

V. JOTA

A 1-16 Repeat action of Fig I, meas 1-16. On last meas move twd ptr to end in pose, back to back, R shoulders adjacent.

SUGGESTED CASTANET PATTERNS FOR FANDANGO MAGDALENA

- I. Jota: Both, L, roll, L, roll, both - 6 times total Buzz Turn: L (ct 1), R (ct &), L (ct 2). Repeat 2 more times (cts 3,&,1; 2,&,3). L,roll,crash,both, hold,hold.

Deep Knee Bends & Pivot: Same as for Step Draws & Pivot.

On repeat of Fig, castanets are same except at end during double pivot turn.

Double pivot turn: Both, hold, crash, both, hold, crash.

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