

Wattentaler Masolka

(Austria)

Wattentaler Masolka (VAH-ten-tahl-er-mah-ZOHL-kah) is a couple dance as done in the village of Watten, Austria. It was learned from a folk dance group in Innsbruck and was presented by Morry Gelman at the 1979 University of the Pacific Folk Dance Camp.

RECORD: Tanz EP 58614 Wattentaler Masolka 3/4 meter

FORMATION: Couples at random about the floor facing LOD in promenade position; W to R of M, hands joined in front: MR with WR over ML with WL.

STEPS: Small unaccented walking steps; couple pivot in shldr-shldr blade pos.

MUSIC 3/4

PATTERN

Measures

No Introduction

- 1 M marking time in place acting as a pivot and with slight rotation leads W fwd across in front of him to L side with three walking steps. W beg L.
- 2 M take 3 steps in place, W turn 1/2 CW to LOD with 3 steps under raised hands.
- 3-4 Repeat action of meas 1-2 with W walking fwd across to R of M and turning CCW to LOD.
- 5-8 Repeat meas 1-4.
- 9 Raising joined hands M lead W in front of and facing him with 3 steps; M marking time in place.
- 10 W turn CW once under raised hands with three steps.
- 11 M turn CCW once under raised hands with three steps.
- 12 M turn CCW once again in 3 steps putting joined hands under his R armpit as he turns dipping under W arms, finishing by straightening up, facing ptr and raising joined hands.
- 13 W turn CW once with 3 steps under raised hands.
- 14 Releasing L hands, W turn CW once again under raised R hands with 3 steps.
- 15-16 Cpl in shldr-shldr blade pos dance 2 CW turns with 4 pivot steps (cts 1,2,3,1); use the last two counts of the meas to return to the starting position.

Repeat dance from beg.