CA LA USA CORTULUI Romanian Folk Dance Record Folk Dancer MH 1123

Ca-la-usa-Cortului

Pronounced: Kah-lah-oo-shah Cor-too-loo

As taught by Romanian authority Larisa Lucaci at Folk Dance House, New York City Directions by Dick Crum.

FORMATION: Dancers, no partners, in a circle, joined hands held high with with elbows straight.

Meas.1: Count 1, step on Right foot slightly to Right.
Count &, close Left to Right putting weight on Left foot.
Count 2, step on Right foot in place.
count &, kick Left heel in place.

Meas.2. Count 1, step on Left foot slightly Left.

Count &, slose Right foot to Left, put weight on it

Count 2, Step on Left footin place.

Count &, kick Right beel implace.

Meas.3. Repeat Measure 1.

Mess.4. Count 1, hold weight on Right foot.

Count &, kick Left heel in place.

Count 2, stamp Left foot in place with full weight on it.

Count &, hold.

Meas.5, Count 1, step Right with Right foot
Count &, hold
Count 2, Step left foot in back of right foot
Count &, hold.

CUE for counting out the dance:

1-2-3-kick; 1-2-3-kick; 1-2-3-kick; &-1-2-hold, R,L.

Measures 3 and 4 are syncopated in the rhyhthm of "shave and a hair cut-six bits".

This is a challenging dance to learn from written directions. If possible see if you can at least watch a native do it once if you can't learn it from one. These are merely refresher notes. It is a lively dance, and feet should move nimbly

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