## CUPURLIKA--Titov Veles region (Line dance for women, no partners)

## Macedonia

Translation: from Cupirli (meaning city on the river), the Turkish name for the town of Titov Veles.

Rhythm: 7/8 ( ) counted 1-and-ah, 2-and, 3-and, or

"slow quick quick".

Record: Folkraft LP-25, side B band 1 (2:27).

Starting Position: "W" position.

Music 7/8 Measure

## PART I-- Slow

Facing center, lift on left foot, raising right foot slightly off floor (count 1-and),
Step slightly back on right foot (count 2),
Lift on right foot, raising left foot slightly off floor (count and-ah),
Step slightly back on left foot (count 3-and).
Lift on left foot, raising right foot slightly off floor (count 1-and),
Step slightly back on right foot (count 2),
Continuing, step back on ball of left foot (count and-ah),
Step (almost a rock) on right foot in place (count 3-and).
Lift on right foot, raising left foot slightly off floor (count 1-and),
Cross and step on left foot in front of right foot (count 2),
Step on right foot sideways right (count and-ah),
Step on left foot sideways to right, left foot still crossed in front of right foot (count 3-and).

## PART II -- Fast

NOTE: When the tempo increases, dancers continue the same basic foot pattern with the following changes in counting and rhythm:

Same as measure I in Part I only the lifts of count I-and, 2-and become hops.

Step slightly back on right foot (count 1),
Step slightly back on left foot (count 2),
Step on right foot in place (count 3).

Cross and step on left foot in front of right foot (count 1),

Step sideways right on right foot (count 2),

Step on left foot sideways right, left foot still crossed in front

Step on left foot sideways right, left foot still crossed in front of right foot (count 3).

Style Note: There is a special distictive hip movement which accompanies the footwork of this dance, which should be learned from a native Macedonian or qualified instructor.