Mum Yakta Ara

Turkey

The dance steps and styling are from Trakia in western Turkey.

TRANSLATION: Look for the candle

PRONUNCIATION: MOOM   YAHK-tah   AH-rah

MUSIC: Turkish Dances NO. 3 by Ahmet Lüleci, track 18

RHYTHM: 9/8   <u>1-2</u> <u>3-4</u> <u>5-6</u> <u>7-8-9</u>
                             Counted: 1   2   3   4   &   (Q,Q,Q,S).

FORMATION: Semi circle. When done by M only hands are free, if done by W use W-pos, in mixed lines use V-pos.

STYLE: Very fast. Most of the steps are runs or leaps on ball of ft.
                             Arm movements are for M only when done in a M's line.

METER: 9/8   PATTERN

Meas   Count

INTRODUCTION   4 meas

FIG. 1

1	1-3	Facing and moving in LOD - run R,L,R fwd. (M arms: Ct 1 - swing L arm fwd in front of chest, R bkwd. Alternate for cts 2-3.)
	4	Hop on R as lift L across R (reverse arm movements).
	&	Quickly run L fwd (lower arms to sides).

FIG. 2

1	1	Facing and moving in LOD - high leap on R slightly fwd on ball of ft (swing L arms fwd and in front of chest, R bkwd).
	&	Leap L beside R on ball of ft.
	2-3	Run R,L fwd (alternate arm movements).
	4	Hop L in place as R lifts in front of L (reverse arm movements).
	&	Run R fwd.
2	1	Hop on R as L kicks fwd then beg to lift bkwd.
	2	Step L bkwd
	3	Leap R fwd.
	4	Hop on R as L lifts across R.
	&	Run L fwd.

FIG. 3

1	1-3	Facing and moving twd ctr - step R,L,R fwd - hips move (swagger) slightly sdwd R,L,R (arms swing as in Fig. 1).
	4	Touch full L ft beside R as R remains in place - hip pushes slightly sdwd L.
	&	Transfer full wt onto R - straighten hips.

| 2 | | Repeat measure 1 moving bkwd with opp ftwk (LRL) and hip movement. |

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FIG. 4

1	1	Facing ctr - step R to R with partial wt - push hips to L.
	2	Put full wt on R as L lifts bkwd - push hips sdwd R.
	3	Step L behind R.
	4	R lifts fwd slightly off of floor.
	&	Step R across L where it lifted.

2   Repeat measure 1 with opp ftwk and hip movements.

SEQUENCE: Figs done in order. Suggested number of times -
Fig. 1 - 8 to12 times
    2 - 8 times
    3 - 4 to 6 times
    4 - 8 to 10 times