

BÜLBÜL OY
(Turkey)

This dance comes from provinces of Kars and Artvin in Northeastern Turkey. Bülbul Oy means "Nightingale how beautifully you sing," and was learned in Istanbul, 1970.

Pronunciation:

Record: BOZ-OK 110, Side 1, band 2. Davul-Zurna
and Ud. 6/8 meter

Formation: Dance for cpls. M on R, W on L, everyone holds little fingers forming one continuous line. Hands are in bouncy fashion (Step I), and windshield wiper fashion (Step II).

Cts

Pattern

STEP I. Travel and wind, snaking the lines, moving to LOD, SMILES.

- 1-2 Step R, step quickly L (ct 1); step R (ct 2) in LOD.
- 3-4 Step L, step quickly R (ct 3); step L (ct 4) in LOD.
- 5-6 With M turning body and head to face ptr on L and W continuing to face LOD, repeat action of cts 1-2 - smile to ptr, bow the head slightly (cts 5-6).
- 7-8 Repeat action of cts 3-4 ftwk. M turn head and body to face LOD, W opp LOD. Smile and bow to the neighbor, whom everyone is now facing.



STEP II. Face ctr, moving sdwd to LOD. Music: High Note.

- 1-2 Step R, hands move R (ct 1); cross L, hands move to L (ct 2).
- 3-4 Step R and lean hands and body to R, bounce twice in place (cts 3,4).
- 5-6 Step L and lean hands and body to L, bounce twice in place (cts 5,6).
- 7-8 Step R, hands and body lean R (ct 7); step L, hands and body lean R (ct 8).

Repeat action of Steps I and II every time with music twice.

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