COMME TU ES BELLE - (VALSE) (France - Alsace)

"Comme tu es Belle" means "how beautiful you are." This walze from Alsace can be used as a mixer. Similarities with "Valse des Violettes," and other "Family Waltz" types are obvious.

Pronunciation:

COME too av BEEL

Music:

Uni-Disc 45-456, side B, band 1, "Wie Scheen Bisch Du."

3/4 meter

Formation:

A circle of cpls; joined hands are held low.

Meas

Pattern

10 meas INTRODUCTION. (No action)

FIGURE I. Waltz balance and progression.

- 1 Starting with outside ft, dance one waltz step facing corner and swinging joined hands.
- 2 Repeat action of meas 1, reversing ftwork and direction, and facing ptr.
- 3 4Repeat action of meas 1-2.
- M assuming closed social pos with corner W, waltz her in LOD 5-8 (four waltz steps) TURNING CW.
- 9-16 All facing ctr (corner W is now on M's R side), repeat action of meas 1-8.

FIGURE II. Step swing and waltz. M finish with their back to ctr.

- 17-18 Join both hands with ptr. Starting with outside ft, all do a step
- swing to M L and a step swing to M R.
- 19-20 Dropping the inside hands (M R and W L), W turn CW under the joined hands with four walking steps and two stamps. M dance on the spot and stamp DEING OPP PIWE, LAST STAMP IS WILES.
- 21-24 Repeat action of meas 17-20, reversing ftwk and direction.
- In closed social pos, dance eight waltz steps, in LOD. On last 25-32 meas, all face ctr and join hands; M put ptr on R side.

Repeat entire dance four more times.

- 1-16 Repeat action of meas 1-16, Fig. I.
- 17-24 Finish with eight more waltzing steps.

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