

## EKIZLIJSKO HORO

TRANSLATION : Dance from the village of Ekizlija. Eastern  
AND Thrace, Bulgaria.  
ORIGIN

MUSIC : LP "Folk Dances from Bulgaria - 3"  
by Jaap Leegwater J1 1985.01 Side 1, Band 2.

SOURCE : Svjatko Vassilev taught this version of *Ekizlijsko  
Horo* for the first time at a teaching tour in  
the Netherlands in the late sixties. It belongs  
to the basic dance repertoire for teachers  
and schools in Bulgaria and is described in the  
more widely used Bulgarian dance manuals.

METER : 2/4

STYLE : *Trakiisko*, slight knee bend position, body straight.

FORMATION : medium length lines. Hands belt hold, L over.

INTRODUCTION : 8 measures.

<u>MEAS</u>	<u>PATTERN</u>	<u>Part 1 - Basic "Chorus Step"</u>
1	facing ctr, moving sdwd R, leap onto R ft (ct 1), leap onto L ft across behind R ft (ct 2)	
2	leap onto R ft (ct 1), leap onto L ft across in front of R ft (ct 2)	
3	repeat action of meas 1	
4	step on R ft (ct 1), hop on R ft kicking L leg fwd (ct 2)	
5-8	repeat action of meas 1-4 with opp ftwk and direction	

	<u>Part 2 "three-step"</u>
1	facing ctr, moving sdwd R, leap onto R ft (ct 1), leap onto L ft across behind R ft (ct 2)
2	step on R ft (ct 1), hop on R ft kicking L leg fwd (ct 2)
3-4	repeat action of meas 1-2 with opp ftwk and direction
5-6	repeat action of meas 1-2
7	repeat action of meas 1
8	"flat" three step on whole feet (LRL) bending body at waist

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EKIZLIJSKO HORO (continued)

<u>MEAS</u>	<u>PATTERN</u>	<u>Part 3 "leap &amp; step"</u>
1-7	repeat action of meas 1-7 of Part 2	
8	low leap onto R ft (ct 1), slap R ft with straight R leg in front, bending body at waist	

Part 4 "Drobinka"

1-6	repeat action of meas 1-6 of Part 2	
	N.B. lift L ft, heel turned out off the floor on ct 2 of meas 6	
7	stamp on L ft fwd (ct 1), fall back on R ft behind L ft (ct 2), scuff with L ft fwd (ct &)	
8	step on L ft fwd (ct 1), <i>čukče</i> (low hop) on L ft (ct 2)	

After having done Part 4, perform the beginning of the chorus step slightly diag R bkwd. Alternate Parts 2, 3, and 4 with the Chorus step.

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