## HORA DE MÎNĂ (Sadova, Oltenia, Romania)

Pronunciation: HAW-ruh deh MUH-nuh

Music: Cassette-Romanian Folk Dances by Nicolaas Hilferink

2/4 meter

Formation: Mixed line; little fingers joined, elbows bent (Hora hold).

<u>Pattern</u>
INTRODUCTION. None.
Fig A Facing ctr, step R to R (ct 1); touch L beside R (ct 2). Repeat meas 1 with opp ftwk. Step R to R (ct 1); step L beside R (ct 2). Step R to R (ct 1); touch L beside R (ct 2). Repeat meas 1-4 with opp ftwk and direction.
During Fig A arms swing from elbows, which are parallel to floor, to R when stepping to R and to L when stepping to L. Hold arms still during "touch."
Fig B Facing ctr and travelling fwd, step R,L (cts 1,2). Turning so R shldr is fwd, step R across L (ct 1); facing ctr, step L bkwd (ct 2). Travelling bkwd, step R, L (cts 1,2). Kick R (ct 1); step R (ct 2). Step L (ct 1); kick R (ct 2). Step R,L (cts 1,2). Step R fwd and across L (ct 1); step L on spot (ct 2). Kick R (ct 1); close R to L (ct 2). Repeat meas 1-8 with opp ftwk.
2 Meas Bridge Facing ctr, step R to R (ct 1); step L across R (ct 2). Step R on spot (ct 1); step L beside R (ct 2).
Fig C Facing and travelling LOD, step R (ct 1); step L beside R (ct &); step R (ct 2). Arms swing down. Repeat meas 1 with opp ftwk, raising arms straight up. Facing ctr, step R to R (ct 1); turning to face RLOD step L behind R (ct 2). With arms held straight up, facing RLOD and travelling bkwd, step R,L (cts 1,2). Repeat meas 4 twice. During the preceding 8 steps, the arms have gradually lowered to normal "hora" hold. Still facing RLOD and travelling bkwd, step R,L (cts 1,2). Step R (ct 1); hold (ct 2). During the preceding 3 steps, the elbows bounce down.

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