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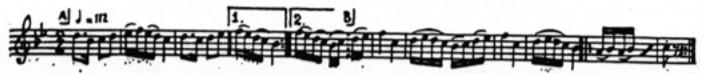
Rhythm: 2/4

KASTORIANOS — Macedonia

Kastopiavòc

(Line dance for couples)

Note: Can be taught as a line dance, no partners



Translation: from the town of Kastoria.

Formation: Open or broken circle, or line, of couples, woman on partner's left, leader at right end.

Starting Position: "V" position. Right foot free.

Measure

PART I (Music A)

Facing slightly and moving right, TWO TWO-STEPS* (right, left). 3 At Turning to face slightly left, ONE TWO-STEP* (right) BACKWARD. 4 M STEP-HOP on LEFT foot, turning on the hop to face slightly right.

5-8 REPEAT pattern of measures 1-4.

PART II (Music B)

Turning to face center, TWO PAS de BASQUE STEPS* (right, left). 9-10

11-12 REPEAT pattern of measures 9-10.

13-14 A Turning toward right , STRIKE LEFT FIST FIVE TIMES on open right palm, AND simultaneously STAMP L or R foot without taking weight (counts 1-and-2-Frand-3), PAUSE (count and), STEP on RIGHT foot IN PLACE, turning to face J center (count 4).

REPEAT pattern of measures 13-14 reversing direction, footwork and handwork, 15-16 to face Left , striking right fist on open left palm, etc. turning

See Glossary.

Note: It is said this was originally a Macedonian hunters' dance in which hands were clapped to make noise and scare animals out of hiding. Or, perhaps small cymbals known as zîlia (ζίλια) were used to make the noise. Zîlia, spelled differently (ζήλεια) in Greek, also means "jealousy"; hence, the change to a flirtatious, fist-pounding, "You can't do this to me!" dance.