## Kerekes

(Gyimesi Csango-Transylvania, Rumania)

The Gyimesi Csángó-s are a Hungarian-speaking ethnic group living in the eastern Carpathian Mountains. Their dance culture has been subdivided by the late György Martin into 3 layers:

1. The Carpathian Basin layer i.e. Félolahos, Verbunk, Lassu és Sebes Magyaros, Lassu és Sebes

- Csardas, Kettös jartatója és Sirulóje, Mars and Medvés;
- 2. The Balkan layer i.e. several forms of the Hejsza, Korobjaszka, Legenyes, and the Kerekes;
- 3. The Central-European layer which includes Hétlepés (Siebenschritt), Pórka (Polka), Valcer, etc to name a few.

The Kerekes (lit, wheel) has the same relative meaning as Rumanian Hora, Serbian Kolo.

Pronunciation: KEHR-eh-kesh

Cassette:	Garlic Press Productions GPP-004	2/4 meter
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Formation: Closed circle with a "W" hand hold.

<u>Meas</u>	<u>Pattern</u>
1	Facing ctr, step on R ft diag back to R (ct 1); close L ft to R ft (ct &); turning to face R of ctr, step on R ft fwd (ct 2).
2	Step on L ft fwd (ct 1); step on R ft fwd (ct &); step on L ft fwd (ct 2).
3	Step on R ft fwd (ct 1); step on L ft fwd (ct &); turning to face slightly L of ctr, step
	on R ft to R (ct 2).
4a	Stamp L ft slightly to L (ct 1); hold (ct 2).
4b	Stamp L ft 2x slightly to L (cts 1,2).
4c	Stamp L ft 3x slightly to L (cts 1,&,2)
5-8	Repeat meas 1-4 with opp ftwk and direction.

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