KREUZ POLKA

(Germany)

Kreuz (Kroits) Polka was introduced by Morrie Gelman at the 1962 Santa Barbara Folk Dance Conference. There are a variety of dances called Kreuz Polka done in Germany, Austria and Switzerland. This dance was collected by Sid Gottlieb in Germany.

MISIC:

Record: Folk Dancer MH 2015

FORMATION:

Cpls facing LOD, W to R of man, cross joined hands R over L.

STEPS AND STYLING:

Walk*
Pivot*
Two-Step*

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MISIC 2/4

PATTERN

Measures

INTRODUCTION

1. Hand pos as in formation. M starting L, W R, walk 3 steps in LCD (cts 1, 2; 1). M cross R over L touching floor. W cross L over R touching floor (ct 2).

Without dropping hands, ptrs turn two each other 1/2 to face RLOD. M starting R, W L, walk 3 steps in RLOD (cts 1, 2; 1).

M cross L over R touching floor. U cross R over L touching floor (ct 2)

Without dropping hands, ptrs face each other. M steps to L on L-W to R on R (ct 1). M cross R over L touching floor. W cross L over R touching floor (ct 2). Reverse using opposite footwork (cts 1, 2).

Cpls face LCD dropping L hands. Mualk 4 steps in LCD.W turn twice with 4 steps under joined right hands (cts 1, 2;1, 2).

5-6

7-8

Measures

1-8 Repeat action of measures 1-8.

Repeated

- 1-2 II. Hands on own hips. If face in, W out, repeat action Figure I, measures 1-2.
- 3-4 Ptrs face twd each other. Repeat action Figure I, measures 3-4.
- 5-6 In closed pos*, Repeat action of Figure I, measures 5-6.
- 7-8 Cpls dance 4 pivot steps in LCD.
- 1-8 Repeat action of measures 1-8.

Repeated

- 1-2 III. Cpls facing LOD inside hands joined, M start L, W R, dance

 1 two-step in LOD (cts 1, 2). M cross R over L touching floor.

 W cross L over R touching floor (ct 1). M step on R beside L.

 W step on L beside R (ct 2).
- Ptrs drop hands and turn twd each other 1/2 to face RLCD. M starting L, W R, dance 1 two-step in RLCD (ct 1, 2). This time M touch R beside L, W touch R beside L (ct 1). M cross R over L, taking wt. W cross L over R, taking wt. (ct 2). (Measure 4 is the reverse of measure 2).
- 5-8 In closed pos, cpls dance 4 turning two-steps in LOD.
- 1-8 Repeat action of measurs 1-8.

Repeated

Repeat entire dance from beginning,

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