## MUZKO HORO Thrace, Bulgaria

Muzko Horo, Men's dance, is a Pravo Trakiisko - type dance similar to Cestoto, Horo Čapraz, Kermensko Horo, and Kuzunluško Horo, just to mention a few. This version was performed by villagers from Selo Botevo, Jambol district in 1976.

PRONUNCIAION: MOOZ-koh hoh-roh

Folkraft LP 26, "Cestoto or Prave Trakiisko; Bankan Arts MK 6G, "Horo Čapraz or Gergebunarsko; RECORD:

or any good fast Trakiisko

FORMATION: Open circle, "na lesa" (belt hold, L over R)

6/8 notated:  $\frac{1-2-3}{1}$   $\frac{4-5-6}{2}$ RHYTHM:

PATTERN METER: 6/8

Meas.

INTRODUCTION: 16 meas, beg with full orchestra

BASIC PRAVO:

- Facing ctr and moving slightly diag R step R-L fwd (cts 1 1-2).
- Step R fwd, bending knees slighty and bringing L fwd (ct 1); 2 small cukce (bounce) on R (ct 2).
- Step L fwd (ct 1); hold on L, bring R twd L ft (ct 2); 3 moving back diag R - step R bkwd (ct &).
- Hold (ct 1); step L bkwd (ct 2). 4
- Step R bkwd (ct 1); lift L slightly fwd (ct 2). 5
- Step L bkwd (ct 1); lift R slightly fwd (ct 2) 6
- Repeat meas 1-6. (Do a total of 3 times) 7-18

UDARI (Hit):

- Heavy accented step R fwd (ct 1); close L to R (ct 2); stamp 1 R fwd (ct &).
- Heavy accented step R fwd (ct 1); small cukce on R as L move 2 fwd (ct 2).
- Repeat meas 3-6 of "Basic Pravo". (L fwd, R bk; hold, L bk; 3-6 R bk, lift L; L bk, lift R)
- Repeat meas 1-6. (Do a total of 3 times) 7 - 18
- DVA PUTI (double hit): Repeat #2, "udari (hit)", except stamp R fwd on ct "&" 1 - 12before ct 1 of meas 1 and 2. (Do a total of 2 times)

- STEP Dai na miasto or tropoli (Do it in place or tapping):
  Step R in place (ct 1); tap ball of L ft beside R (ct &);
  cukce on R (ct 2); tap L heel beside R (ct &).
- 2 Repeat meas 1 with opp ftwk.
  - 4. IZHVURLI (Kick or throw)
- 1-4 "Tropoli" R,L,R,L (step, tap ball, cukce, tap heel).
- 5 Step R fwd (ct 1); scoop L fwd low then up (beg bkwd bicycle) (ct 2).
- 6 Čukče on R as L continues up, around and back complete bkwd bicycle (ct 1); step L back (ct 2).
- 7-12 Repeat meas 1-6. (Do a total of 2 times)
- 5. IZHVURLI DVA PUTE (2 kick OR throw)
- 1-4 "Tropoli" R,L,R,L (step, tap ball, čukće, tap heel).
- 5-8 Repeat meas 5-6 of "Izhvurli", twice (2 bkwd bicycle).
- 9-16 Repeat meas 1-8. (Do a total of 2 times)
- 6. <u>CUKNI DVA (Stamp twice)</u>
  1-3 "Tropoli" R.L.R (step, tap ball, čukče, tap heel)
- 4 Leap L to L, face slightly L (ct 1); stamp R beside L (ct 2).
- 5 "Tropoli" R (step R, tap L ball, cukce R, tap L heel)
- 6 Leap L to L (ct 1); stamp R beside L (ct 2).
- 7-8 "Izhvurli": Repeat meas 5-6 (R fwd, bicycle L; L bk)
  (Step is only done 1 time.)
- 7. CUKNI TRI (Stamp 3 times)
  1-3 "Tropoli" R,L,R (step in pl, tap ball, čukče, tap heel)
- 4 Leap L to L (ct 1); stamp R beside L (ct 2).
- 5 Leap R to R (ct 1); stamp L beside R (ct 2).
- 6-8 "Cukni Dva": Repeat meas 6-8 (L to L, stamp R; R fwd, bicycle L, L bk)
  - (Step is only done 1 time.)
- 8. HVURLI NAZAD (Throw behind)

  1-4 Tropoli R,L,R,L (step in pl, tap ball, cukce, tap heel).

  NOTE: Actually there are only 3 and 3/4 steps, last tap is extremely have to do.

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- 5 Leap R to R as L kicks diag R bkwd (knee bent & next to R knee) (ct 1); jump onto both feet (shldr width apart & knees slightly bent ) (ct 2).
- 6 Close both ft tog (ct 1); fall on L in place as R lifts bkwd (ct 2).
- 7-8 "Izhvurli", repeat meas 5-6 (R fwd, bicycle L, L bk)
- 9-16 Repeat meas 1-6. (Done a total 2 times)
- 1-4 TROPOLI R,L,R,L.
  - 9. ZAREDI
- Moving twd ctr scuff R heel fwd (ct &); step fwd on R (ct 1); scuff L heel fwd (ct &); step fwd on L (ct 2); scuff R heel fwd (ct &).
- Step fwd on R (ct 1); step L behind and slightly R of R (ct &); step R fwd (ct 2).
- 3 Step L fwd (ct 1); stamp R slightly to R side, no wt (ct &); stamp R beside L, bend knees slightly (ct 2).
- 4 Step R-L bkwd (ct 1-2).
- 5 Step R bkwd (ct 1); lift on R, move L slowly back (ct 2).
- 6 Step L bkwd (ct 1); lift on L (ct 2).
- 7-12 Repeat meas 1-6. (Do a total of 2 times)
- 10. BURKAJ
- Repeat meas 1-3 of "Zaredi". (scuff R fwd, step R, scuff L, step L, scuff R; step R, L behind, R fwd, step R; stamp R sltly R, stamp R in pl)
- With wt on L, lift R slightly and place full R ft to R with R toe tointed diag R upper body faces slightly twd R (ct 1); close R to L with R toe straight fwd (no wt), with accent and knees bent (ct 2).
- 5-7 "Izhvurli", repeat meas 5-6. (R fwd, bicycle L, tap heel)
- 8-9 "Basic pravo", meas 5-6. (R bk, lift L, L bk, lift R)
- 10-18 Repeat meas 1-9. (Do a total of 2 times)
- 11. SKOKNIJ
  Repeat meas 1-3 of "Zaredi". (scuff R fwd, step R, scuff L, step L, scuff R; step R, L behind, R fwd, step R; stamp R sitly R, stamp R in pl)
- 4 Tropoli R (step R in pl, tap L ball, cukce, tap L heel)

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- 5 Step L fwd as R lifts bkwd (ct 1); jump fwd onto both ft about shldr width apart with accent, knees slightly bent (ct 2).
- 6 Leap back sharply on R as L ft lifts in front of R knee (ct 1); leap back onto L (optional - bringing R ft in front of L knee (ct 2).
- 7-8 "Zaredi", repeat meas 5-6 (R bk, lift on R; L bk, lift on L).
- 9-16 Repeat meas 1-9. (Do a total of 2 times)
- 12. V DJASNO VLJAVO (to the R, to the L)
  "Tropoli" R,L
- Fall R on R (ct 1); step on ball of L ft very slightly fwd, but not in front of R (ct &); repeat cts 1,& (cts 2,&).
- 4-5 Repeat meas 3 (3 times in all).
- Step R to R (ct 1); tap L heel beside R twice (cts &,2).
- 7-10 Repeat meas 7-10 (fall R, L ball 3x; R, tap L heel 2x)
- Moving fwd twd ctr step R fwd (ct 1); tap L beside R, knees diag R (ct &); step L fwd (ct 2) tap R beside L, knees diag L (ct &).
- 12 Repeat meas 10 (R to R, tap L heel 2x).
- 13-14 Still moving fwd repeat meas 15-16 with opp ftwk. (L fwd, tap L, R fwd, tap L).
- 15 Chug bkwd on ball of both ft, knees straight (ct 1); jump fwd on both ft with accent (knees straighten) (ct 2).
- 16 Step R-L bkwd (ct 1-2).
- 17 Step R bkwd (ct 1); lift on R as L lifts bkwd (ct 2).
- 18 Step L bkwd (ct 1); lift on L as R lifts fwd (ct 2).

REPEAT: #1, Basic Pravo, 3 times; #2, Udari, 3 times; #3, Dva Puti, 2 times, end dance.

This dance can be according to the will of the leader. The group from Botevo used the Prave and Udari steps to get positioned and then proceeded to dance each step through twice.

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