# STARAČKO KOLO

## Slavonia, Croatia



Slavonija is the largest and most fertile part of Croatia's land. It borders Hungary and the Drava River on the north, the Sava River on the south, the Moslavina Region on the west and the Srijem Region on the east. For this reason, Slavonian folk traditions have remained unchanged for centuries. The wealth of this region is reflected in the dances, songs and costumes. Most of the dances in Slavonija surround the musicians, who are in the center of the circle. Musical

accompaniment features the tambura (samica), and a full tambura orchestra. Slavonian people dance to celebrate any occasion - weddings, harvest, church

celebrations, or any other daily occurrence that merits a celebration. "Staračko kolo" is from Brodsko Posavlje part of Slavonia Region.

TRANSLATION: Ancient dance

**PRONUNCIATION:** STA-RACH-KO koh-loh

MUSIC: CD "Ajde cure u kolo/ Come on girls, let's dance!" Band #10

**FORMATION:** Closed circle, alternating M & W in front basket hold

STYLING: The drmes (shaking dance) is done flat-footed, with very small steps and

movements. Smaller movements are most stylistically correct.

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METER: 4/4

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#### Meas

#### **INSTRUMENTAL PART**

- 1-2 Facing ctr., Sway to L (cts.1,2); Sway to R(cts.3,4); Repeat Meas.1
- 3 Step on L in place (ct.1); Slight hop on L, keep R next to L cuff (ct.2); Repeat cts.1,2 with opp. Ft (cts.3,4)
- 4 Repeat Meas.3
- 5 Step on L to L(ct.1); Step on R across L(ct.2); Step on L to L(ct.3); Slight hop on L(ct.4)
- 6 Step on R to R (ct.1); Step on L next to R (ct.&); Repeat cts.1& (cts.2&); Step on R to R(ct.3) Slight hop on R(ct.4)
- 7 Step on L to L (ct.1); Bring R ft next to L and bounce twice (cts.2&); Step on R in place (ct.3);

Step on L to L, leave R ft to R and bounce twice, wt. on both ft (cts.4&)

8 Step on L in place (ct.1); Bring R ft next to L and bounce twice (cts.2&); Step on R in place (ct.3); Slight hop on R (ct.4)

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SINGING PART

- 1. Hold(cts.1,2,3,4)
- 2. Sway to L,R,L,R(cts.1,2,3,4)
- 3. Facing diag. CW, Step on L,R,L,R fwd(cts.1,2,3,4)
- 4 Facing ctr., Repeat Meas.2
- Facing diag. CW, Step on L fwd (ct.1); Step on R in front of L (ct.2); Step on L to L (ct.3); Step on R behind of L (ct.4); Repeat Meas. 5 (cts.5,6,7,8)

### **SEQUENCE:**

Instrumental Part Meas.1-hold

Meas.2-8: Repeat Meas.2-8 of Instrumental part Meas.9-24: Repeat Meas.5-8, four more times

Singing Part

Instrumental Part Meas.1-8: Repeat Meas.1-8 of Instrumental part

Meas.9-16: Repeat Meas.5-8, two more times

Singing Part

Instrumental Part Meas.1-8: Repeat Meas.1-8 of Instrumental part

Meas.9-16: Repeat Meas.5-8, two more times



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