

BAVARIAN ZWIEFACHER

MUSIC: Record: TANZ EP-56909

PATTERN: 4 Measures INTRODUCTION;

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Notes on the Bavarian Zwiefacher: The term "zwiefacher" means "two things", here meaning the 3/4 waltz (W) and the 2/4 'dreher' turn (D). These dances are not to be called 'drehers', although they do have that step in them; dreher means 'turn', and of course this step is found in many non-zwiefacher dances. In the latter, the dreher step is always heavy and earthy, quite bouncy with flex knees. The same step in the Zwiefache may have the same style, or it may be smooth, similar to the pivot turn. The earthy step is older and rural, the smooth step more apt to be seen today on dance floors and in cities.

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