Severnjaško Pajduško

(Bulgaria)

Pajduško from Northern Bulgaria, known as the ethnographical region of Sever na Bulgaria or Severnjaško. Learned by Jaap Leegwater in the summer of 1983 from Ivan Donkov, choreographer and North Bulgarian dance specialist, Veliko Târnova, Bulgaria.

Pronunciation:								
Music:	Ca	ssette	"Folk Dances from Bulgaria" JL1992.02 Side A/5					
Meter:	5/8	3.	1 2					
Formation:	Formation: Open or half circle. Hands joined in W-position.							
Style:	Severnjaški or North Bulgarian: Light and jumpy Good and energetic knee liftings							
Direction	Meas	Ct	<u>Pattern</u>					
			Steps	Arms				
			Introduction. None.					
			PART 1					
\longmapsto	1	1 2	Hop on L ft, lifting R knee. Emphasized step on R ft sdwd R, wt on both ft.	Fwd low Down				
	2	1 2	Leap onto L ft next to R ft, lifting R ft off the floor. Step on R ft sdwd R, wt on both ft.	Bkwd low Down				
	3		Repeat meas 2.					
	4	1 2	Step on L ft across in front of R ft. Step back on R ft in place.	Fwd low and down Down				
	5	1 2	Hop on R ft. Step on L ft.	W-position				
	6	1 2	Step on R ft across in front of L ft. Step back on L ft in place, extending R ft fwd.					

Shift wt to R ft in place, extending L ft fwd.

Shift wt to L ft in place extending R ft fwd.

Fwd low

Down

Bkwd low and down

1

2

Repeat meas 7.

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			Steps	Arms
•			PART 2	
1	1	1 2	Hop on L ft Step on R ft.	W-position
<u></u>	2	1 2	Hop on R ft. Step on L ft.	
	3	1 2	Hop on L ft. Step on R ft.	
	4	1 2	Leap onto L ft, turning R heel out and straighten fwd. Step on R ft in front of L ft.	
	5-6		Repeat meas 4 twice.	
	7	1 2	Step on L ft across in front of R ft. Step back on R ft in place.	
	8	1 2	Hop on R ft. Step on L ft.	
	9	1 2	Step on R ft across in front of L ft. Step back on L ft in place.	•
‡	10	1 2	Hop on L ft. Step on R ft.	
	11	1 2	Hop on R ft. Step on L ft, extending R ft fwd along the floor.	
	12	1 2	Shift wt to R ft in place, extending L ft fwd. Shift wt to L ft in place, extending R ft fwd.	•
HOROP OF	13		Repeat meas 11.	
	14	1 2	Slide both ft in 4th open position, R ft across L ft. Small jump on both ft apart in 2nd position.	
	15	1 2	Small jump on both ft together. Small jump on both ft apart.	
	16	1 2	Small jump on both ft together. Small jump (chug) on both ft together slightly fwd, bending both knees.	

The first dancer indicates the alternation of the two different patterns.

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