

LAŽI, VERE
(Macedonia)

"Laži, Vere" is a song frequently sung at weddings and at other festive occasions. It is one of many melodies to which the dance "Lesnoto" can be done. In this country the particular variation of Lesnoto described below has become associated with the song "Laži, Vere" and is compatible with the basic form of the dance.

Pronunciation: LAH-zhee VEHR-reh

Record: AK-004, Side B/1.
7/8 meter: 1,2,3 - 4,5 - 6,7; (S, Q, Q).

Formation: Mixed or separate lines. In mixed lines "W" pos is used with the hands fwd from the body. In separate lines, use "T" pos; W use "W" pos, or "escort pos; R hand hooked through neighbor's L elbow.

Meas

Pattern

- 1 Facing R of ctr and moving in LOD, step R (S); step on L behind R (Q,Q,).
- 2 Turning to face more fwd ctr, step R to R (S); raise L, knee bent, in front of R (Q,Q). May cukce or flex R knee.
- 3 Step L to L (S); raise R ft up in back and behind L leg (Q,Q). May čukče or flex L knee.

There are 8 meas of instrumental and 18 meas of vocal throughout the record.

Lyrics: Laži, laži, Vere; laži, koj ke lažiš;
Samo mene, Vere, nemoj da me lažiš //
Jas i imam, Vere, Lele, jas i imam
Jas i imam, Vere, do tri bolesti //
Prva bolest, Vere, Lele, prva bolest,
Prva bolest, Vere, izgore za tebe //
Vtora bolest, Vere, Lele, vtora bolest,
Vtora bolest, Vere, Ladni te me jani //
Treta bolest, Vere, Lele treta bolest,
Treta bolest, Vere, umiram za tebe. //

Translation:

Lie, lie Vera; lie to whom you will;
Only to me, Vera, do not lie;
I suffer, Vera, oh, do I suffer,
I suffer, Vera, from three illnesses.
The first illness, Vera, oh the first illness,
The first illness, Vera, (my heart) burns for you.
The second illness, Vera, oh, the second illness,
The second illness, Vera, (your) coldness towards me
afflicts me
The third illness, Vera, oh, the third illness,
The third illness, Vera, I am dying for you.

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