

Korzinochka

(Russia)

The dance is called Korzinochka meaning "basket," and the name of the round dance song is Ryabina, Ryabinushka (ryah-BEE-nah ryah-BEE-noosh-kah) meaning "rowan tree." It is a traditional dance found all over Russia. This variant comes from the Riazanj region. In each region the dance song can be different, the same for the steps and style. Research was done long ago by several folklorists. The dance was introduced in the first Russian Dance Camp in Switzerland in 1988.

Pronunciation: kohr-ZEEN-ohch-kah

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2/4 meter

Formation: Couples in a single circle (W to R of M) in front-basket hold, M hands joined with M, W with W, M on top. My have concentric circles.

Meas

Pattern

8 meas INTRODUCTION. No action, begin with vocal.

PATTERN

1-6 Beg R, dance 6 two-steps in LOD (CCW).

7 Beg to change to back-basket hold stepping R, L M raise joined hands over W and down in back.

8 Dancing 1 two-step in place, complete the change to back-basket hold. W raise joined hands over M and down behind as M duck fwd under the arches.

9-16 Beg L, repeat meas 1-8 with opp ftwk and direction. On meas 15-16, change to front-basket hold.

Repeat dance from beginning until music ends.

If there are 2 concentric circles in the formation, the center one can beg circling to the L, while the outer one is circling to the R.

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