

THE HAPPY WALTZ

American Waltz Mixer

LS E-15

Formation: Sets of two couples in a big circle. One couple facing LOD, the other couple in their set facing RLOD.

Girl on boy's right, partners with inside hands joined.

DANCE

Meas. (3 counts per measure; i.e., 1-4 = 12 counts)

1- 4 Beginning on outside foot, balance fwd, 2, 3; balance back, 2, 3; drop hands and in three steps change places with opposite, girls turning $\frac{1}{4}$ L face, boys turning $\frac{1}{4}$ right face, to end facing partner; join near hands with opposite and step, touch, ready to begin again on the outside foot;

5- 8 Repeat the balance fwd and back; change places this time with partner, to end facing opposite; take hand of partner and step, touch;

9-12 Balance fwd and back; change places with opposite, to end facing partner; step, touch;

13-16 Balance fwd and back; change places with partner, to end facing opposite; step, touch. (Everyone is now back in original position.)

17-20 All four star by the right (12 steps);

21-24 All four star by the left (12 steps);

25-28 Circle left exactly once around (12 steps), to return to original position;

29-32 All drop hands, passing right shoulders with the person opposite, pass through and on to face the next couple; join near hands with partner and bow to new couple, and to partner, ready to repeat the dance.

SUMMARY

1- 4 Balance fwd; and back; change, step, touch, -;

5- 8 Balance fwd; and back; change; step, touch, -;

9-12 Balance fwd; and back; change; step, touch, -;

13-16 Balance fwd; and back; change, step, touch, -;

17-20 Star right;

21-24 Star left;

25-28 Circle left;

29-32 Pass through.

Note: For purposes of these instructions, “partner” is always original partner and “opposite” is always that particular person standing directly opposite when the dance begins.