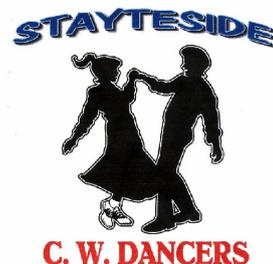




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High Hopes

- Description:** Partner Dance. (48 Counts)
Start position: Right Skaters, facing LOD. Gent's steps listed. Lady's steps opposite throughout unless stated.
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Music: "Better Than Today" by Don Williams. CD And so it Goes, (88/176 bpm - Script written as 176 bpm)
Intro: 32 Counts. Near the end of the track there is a slight pause, dance through it.
Alternative: "Weed instead of Roses" by Ashley Monroe. CD. Like a Rose. (159 bpm) Intro: 20 Counts. Start on the word "We".
Tracks available from iTunes And Amazon

GENT:

- 1** **BOTH: STEP LOCK STEP FORWARD X2, MAMBO FORWARD, SHUFFLE 1/2 TURN.**
1 & 2 Step fwd on left, lock right behind left, step fwd on left.
3 & 4 Step fwd on right, lock left behind right, step fwd on right.
5 & 6 Rock fwd on left, recover on right, step back on left.
7 & 8 ¼ turn right on right, together on left, ¼ turn right stepping
Fwd on right. **RLOD**

Note: **Count: 7 & 8 Release right hands, rejoin right under left into cross hands.**

STEP LOCK STEP FORWARD X2, MAMBO 1/2 TURN, SHUFFLE FORWARD.

- 1 & 2** Step fwd on left, lock right behind left, step fwd on left.
3 & 4 Step fwd on right, lock left behind right, step fwd on right.
5 & 6 Rock fwd on left. Recover on right, ½ turn left stepping fwd on left.
7 & 8 Right Shuffle fwd RLR. **LOD**

Note: **Count: 5 & 6 Release left hands, Right shoulder to Right shoulder, Right Palm to Right Palm.**

SHUFFLE FORWARD, MAMBO FORWARD, 1/4 TURN SHUFFLES X2 (PINWHEEL)

- 1 & 2** Left Shuffle fwd LRL.
3 & 4 Rock fwd on right, recover on left, step back on right.
5 & 6 Rotate ¼ turn shuffle to the right LRL.
7 & 8 Rotate ¼ turn shuffle to the right RLR. **RLOD**

MAMBO FORWARD, 1/4 TURN SHUFFLES X2 (PINWHEEL) MAMBO FORWARD.

- 1 & 2** Rock fwd on left, recover on right, step back on left.
3 & 4 Rotate ¼ turn shuffle to the right RLR
5 & 6 Rotate ¼ turn shuffle to the right LRL **LOD**
7 & 8 Rock fwd on right, recover on left, step back on right.

MAMBO BACK, STEP LOCK STEP, PIVOT 1/4 TURN, CROSS, SIDE ROCK, CROSS.

- 1 & 2** Rock back on left, recover on right, step fwd on left.
3 & 4 Step fwd on right, lock left behind right, step fwd on right.
5 & 6 Step fwd on left pivot ¼ turn right, cross left over right.
7 & 8 Rock to side on right, recover on left, cross right over left.

Note: **Count: 1 & 2 Rejoin hands into side by side/sweetheart position.**

Count: 5 & 6 Right hands over Lady's head into crossed hands, right hand on top. Face to face.

SIDE SHUFFLE, BEHIND, SIDE CROSS, SIDE TOGETHER 1/4 TURN, SHUFFLE FORWARD.

- 1 & 2** Step to side on left, together on right, to side on left.
3 & 4 Step right behind left, to side on left, cross right over left.
5 & 6 Step to the side on left together on right, ¼ turn left stepping
Step fwd on left to **LOD**
7 & 8 Right shuffle fwd RLR

Note: **Count: 5 & 6 Release Left hands.**

Count: 7 & 8 Rejoin Left hands, bring right hands down to Lady's right hip, into right skater position.
START AGAIN

LADY:

- 1** **BOTH: STEP LOCK STEP FORWARD X2, MAMBO FORWARD, SHUFFLE 1/2 TURN.**
1 & 2 Step fwd on right, lock left behind right, step fwd on right.
3 & 4 Step fwd on left, lock right behind left, step fwd on left.
5 & 6 Rock fwd on right, recover on left, step back on right.
7 & 8 ¼ turn left on left, together on right, ¼ turn left stepping
Fwd on left. **RLOD**

STEP LOCK STEP FORWARD X2, MAMBO FORWARD, SHUFFLE BACK.

- 1 & 2** Step fwd on right, lock left behind right, step fwd on right.
3 & 4 Step fwd on left, lock right behind left, step fwd on left.
5 & 6 Rock fwd on right. Recover on left, step back on right.
7 & 8 Left Shuffle back LRL **RLOD**

SHUFFLE BACK, MAMBO BACK, 1/4 SHUFFLES X2 (PINWHEEL)

- 1 & 2** Right Shuffle back. RLR
3 & 4 Rock back on left, recover on right, step fwd on left.
5 & 6 Rotate ¼ turn shuffle to the right RLR.
7 & 8 Rotate ¼ turn shuffle to the right LRL. **LOD**

MAMBO BACK, 1/4 TURN SHUFFLES X2 (PINWHEEL) MAMBO BACK.

- 1 & 2** Rock back on right, recover on right. Step fwd on right.
3 & 4 Rotate ¼ turn shuffle to the right LRL
5 & 6 Rotate ¼ turn shuffle to the right RLR, **RLOD**
7 & 8 Rock back on left, recover on right, step fwd on left.

PIVOT 1/2 TURN, STEP FORWARD, STEP LOCK STEP, PIVOT 1/4 TURN, CROSS, SIDE ROCK, CROSS.

- 1 & 2** Step fwd on right, pivot ½ turn left, step fwd on right.
3 & 4 Step fwd on left, lock right behind left, step fwd on left.
5 & 6 Step fwd on right pivot ¼ turn left, cross right over left.
7 & 8 Rock to side on left, recover on right, cross left over right.

SIDE SHUFFLE, BEHIND, SIDE, CROSS, SIDE TOGETHER 1/4 TURN, SHUFFLE 1/2 TURN

- 1 & 2** Step to side on right, together on left, to side on right.
3 & 4 Step left behind right, to side on right, cross left over right.
5 & 6 Step to the side on right, together on left, ¼ turn left stepping
Step back on the right to **RLOD**
7 & 8 ¼ turn left on left, together on right, ¼ turn left step fwd on left. **LOD**