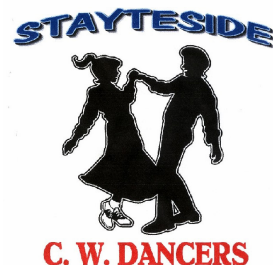




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## High Hopes

- 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.**

### 2 **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.**

### 3 **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**

### 4 **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.

### 5 **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.**

### 6 **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**

### 2 **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**

### 3 **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**

### 4 **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.

### 5 **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.

### 6 **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**