## TRIPÓTIS (TRIPÁTI) (Makedonia - Greece)

Source: This dance is from Makedonia in northern Greece. The name comes from two words: "treis" meaning three, and "patima" (peripatetic) meaning step. According to T. Sofios there is a version of the dance in Greek Thrace with different styling.

Pronunciation: tree-POH-tees

Bibliography: Greek Folk Dances, M. Vouras and R. Holden

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Music: Folk Dancer MH 4053 B. 2/4 meter.

Formation: Men and women are in a broken circle with hands

held at shldr height, elbows bent and down.

Characteristics: The feeling of the dance is bright and cheerful.

Steps should be on the full ft. The stamps

should be light.

<u>Meas</u>	cts	Part I (first melody).
I		Starting with the R ft, run to the R taking
		five small steps (facing LOD).
II	<u>-</u>	
		Lightly stamp the L ft twice in place next
		to R ft.
	<u>.                                    </u>	Pause.
III		Facing LOD and starting with the L ft, run
		bkwd five small steps in RLOD (on fifth step
IV	<u></u>	turn to face ctr).
•		Lightly stamp the R ft twice in place next to L ft.
	5	Pause.

Repeat this sequence one more time.

Part II (second melody).

Step sdwd to the R on R ft.

Lightly stamp L ft next to R.

Step sdwd to the L on L ft.

Lightly stamp R ft next to L.

Step sdwd to the R on R ft.

Lightly stamp L ft twice next to R ft.

Pause.

## TRIPOTIS (TRIPATI) (continued)

Step sdwd to L on L.

Lightly stamp R ft next to L.

Step sdwd to R on R.

Lightly stamp R ft next to L.

Step sdwd to L on L.

Lightly stamp R ft twice next to L.

Pause.

Repeat this sequence one more time and go back to first variation. Each is done twice.

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