

Garoon Գարուն (Armenia)

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Translation: Springtime

Music: http://www.dunav.org.il/armenian_folk_dances.html [http://www.dunav.org.il/armenian_folk_dances.html]

Meter: 2/4

Formation: open circle, W position with pinkie fingers joined.

Part 1: Chorus "Garoon Garoon"

Bar 1: Step on R in LOD, arms swing down to V Position (1), hop on R, arms swing back up to V (2)

Bar 2: Step L in LOD (1), close R next to L (&), Step L in LOD (2)

Bars 3-4: repeat bars 1-2

Bars 5-6: Make a 3 step (RLR) CW turn, pulling R shoulder back, but moving in LOD (1,2,1) lean to R and clap (2)

Bars 7-8: Make a 3 step (LRL) CCW turn, pulling L shoulder back, but moving in RLOD (1,2,1) lean to L and clap (2)

Part 2: Verses

Bar 1: Step R in LOD (1), close L next to L (&), Step R in LOD (2); arms windshield wiper to the R

Bar 2: Step L in LOD (1), close R next to L (&), Step L in LOD (2); arms windshield wiper to the L

Bar 3: Turn to face center, step R to R (1), Lift L in front (2)

Bar 4: Step L to L (1), Lift R in front (2)

Bar 5: Step R to R, slightly diagonally forward, clap hands in front of body, with straight arms (1), Cross L over R, Clap hands in front of body again (2)

Bar 6: Cross R over L and rejoin hands (1), chug (hop) back on R (2)

Bar 7: Step back on L, R heel swivels in, arms windshield wiper to L (1), Step on R, L heel swivels in, arms windshield wiper to R (2)

Bar 8: Step back on L, R heel swivels in, arms windshield wiper to L (1), Stamp R next to L (2)

Sequence depends upon the recording.

