Ingliskad

(Estonia)

Ingliskad are older group dances (singular is Ingliska).

Pronunciation:

ING-lees-kaht

Music:

Estonian Dances—Stockton Folk Dance Camp 2003, Band 6

2/4, 3/4 meter

Formation:

Depends on variation.

Steps:

Butterfly polka: Swing L ft back in arc aided by body twist, landing on both ft (ct. 1), small steps (bounces) R, L in place or moving slightly to R (cts &,2). Repeat to R with opp ftwk.

Meas

Pattern

INGLISKA 1: FROM KABERNEEME, NORTH-ESTONIA

Formation: Cpls in circle, hands down, W on M right.

2/4 meter

I. A BIG CIRCLE

1-16 Walk 1

Walk 16 energetic steps CW, beg L; walk 16 steps CCW, beg. L.

II. GRAND RIGHT AND LEFT

1-32

M moving CCW, W moving CW dance Grand Right and Left around the whole circle, 2 steps (1 meas) per person. M puts 16th W on his right to form a circle.

III. IN AND OUT

1-2

In circle, all walk 4 steps in and 4 back out (L,R,L,R, L,R,L,R)

3-4

Repeat in and out.

Dance repeats 3 times.

INGLISKA 2 FROM KUUSALU, NORTH-ESTONIA

Formation: Longways sets, couples facing couples, free hands are fists on waist. Six couple sets are preferable since this brings cpls back to orig pos at end of Fig. I.

2/4 meter I.

WEAVING

1-16

Ptrs face with hands on hips. Pass ptr back to back L shldr leading with 2 steps; pass next person back to back with R shldr lead, etc. On ends of lines take 4 steps to turn L and weave back on same line.

II. BUTTERFLY-POLKA

1-4

4 butterfly polka steps beginning to L.

5-8

Pass through with 4 walking steps and turn L 4 steps in opp place.

9-16

Repeat meas 1-8 back to place.

III. FORWARD AND BACK

1-4

Do Ingliska I, fig. III.

Repeat dance from beginning

Ingliskad—continued

INGLISKA III: FOR STAGE, PUT TOGETHER FROM TRADITIONAL INGLIKAD

Formation: Longways sets for 8 cpls, M in one line and W in the other. Six, ten or twelve cpl sets are also possible.

Steps: Walk, Butterfly Polka, Waltz.

I. SMALL CIRCLES

- 1-8 Starting with L, move into small circles of four cpls (or half of group), for odd numbered cpls the M moves twd W side, for even numbered cpls the W moves to the M side. Circle L (CW) completing a total of 16 steps
 - 9-16 Starting L ft, circle R (CCW) walking 12 steps; walk 4 steps to end in orig longways set.

II. BUTTERFLY-POLKA

1-16 Do Ingliska II, fig II.

III. BIG CIRCLE

- 1-8 Starting with L ft., all cpls move into one large circle as in Fig. I; circle L (CW) to complete 16 steps.
- 9-16 Starting with L ft., circle R (CCW) with 12 steps; walk 4 steps to end in orig. longways set.

IV. BUTTERFLY-POLKA

1-16 Repeat Fig II.

V. RIGHT AND LEFT IN ROWS

In the music, two cords signal a break during which all turn to face top of set, except top two dancers who face down.

Using hooked R elbows top dancers start a weaving pattern down their line and back; other dancers follow as they are passed by lead person. Dancers pass each person with two steps, alternating first R elbows, the L elbows taking four steps to turn back at the ends and start again with R elbows.

VI. SHORT POLKA

- 1-2 Pass ptr. back-to-back L shldr leading with 4 steps; turn to face across the set.
- 3-6 Dance 4 butterfly polka steps, beg L,
- 7-12 Repeat back to place.

VII. FORWARD AND BACK

1-4 Do Ingliska I, Fig. III

VIII. GRAND RIGHT AND LEFT

1-16 Starting with the cpl at the bottom of the set, they give R hands and pass each other, L to the next and proceed up the opposite line. Other dancers join in as the lead dancers reach them (2 steps per person).

3/4 meter IX. WALTZ

- 1-16 With new ptr. Dance 16 turning waltz steps, using last four meas to reform lines.
 - X-XIII Repeat figures VI through IX, except do not form longways sets at end of Fig XIII.