HOREHRONSKE KOLO (Slovakia)

A womens' dance from Central Slovakia.

Pronunciation:

Record: FB 114005 Side B/2 "Helpa". 2/4 meter

Formation: An even number of women - 12 to 16.

Meas 4 meas	Introduction. Pattern
A 1-8 9-16	FIG I. 12 to 16 W gather into a chain; plain walk. Beg with R, 7 steps followed by 2 quick steps, softly swaying. Repeat. Floor patterns of snake, spiral, through arches, etc., may be performed.
B 17-32	Continue the same pattern to form a circle.
A', 1-8 9-16	FIG II. Moving CW, softly swaying, step deeply R diag in; L back, 4 times, followed by 8 light running steps, accent on each R. Repeat meas 1-8.
B' 17-24	Lift R (describe circle=rond de jamb en air) on land- ing, cross over L and dip; four of these followed by 4 short steps (arms rise) and come down during set of short stamps (cts 1, &, 2, 3).
25-32	Same steps bkwd (beg R), arms stay down, leg circles back.
A 1-8	FIG III Moving CW: Step L, close R, step L, pause (turn slightly) "R,"L,"R" "L," R,"L" "R, step L, (sway)
9-16	Repeat, beg R ft.
В 17-24	Moving CW, step on L (ct & of previous meas); step on R across in front of L, continue, moving CW, with 15 steps, accenting step on R. In meas 24 take only 1 step on R.
A 1-8	Repeat A 1-8 to L (only one sequence).
B 17-24	Cross R over L and repeat B' 17-24 and continue right into "A".
A 9-16	Repeat A 9-16.

HOREHRONSKE KOLO (Continued)

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FIG IV
             All arms extended upward.
             Hands joined with clasped fingers, dancers (a) turn
A' 1-8
             partly twd one another, keeping hands joined; then on next step sequence (b) turn partly facing neighbor;
             next (a) partner; next (c) center.
             Rhythm pattern: stamping, last 4 in demi plié
             Steps: Step heavily and low hop on inside ft, lifting
             outside ft with bent knee slightly fwd (a), followed by
             3 stamps on heel; repeat to neighbor (b); to partner (a);
             4 stamps ctr with light knee lift on last (c).
             Repeat meas 1-8.
   9-16
             Arms down
             Repeat Fig III B, meas 17-22
   17-22
             Closing step, and lift arms.
   23-24
Α'
             As in 1-8
В'
             As in 17-24
A١
             As in 1-8
             FIG V.
             Rhythm pattern: e e
A" 1-16
             Beg R, arms down; close to floor heel stamps;
             repeat beg L.
B" 17-24
             Repeat Fig IV B' meas 17-24 (CW).
A'' 1-8
             Repeat A" meas 1-8.
B" 17-24
             Repeat Fig IV B' meas 17-24 (CW).
             CODA - to CENTER
A'' 1-8
             Step-hop, step-hop, 3 stamps, pause.
             Repeat.
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