

# Counting Stars (P)

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**Count:** 40

**Wall:** —

**Level:** Intermediate Partner / Circle

**Choreographer:** Don Carleton & Dottie Censabella (April 2014)

**Music:** Counting Stars by One Republic

**Position: Open Promenade, man's right hand holding ladies left**

**Opposite footwork throughout, man's steps listed**

**Intro: 32 counts from first beat of music**

**4 WALKS, JAZZ BOX**

**1,2,3,4** Walk right, left, right, left

**5,6,7,8** Cross right over left, step left back, step right to right side, step left forward

**1/8 TURN STEP, POINT. 1/4 TURN STEP, POINT, FULL TURN ROLLING VINE**

**1,2,3,4** Step forward on right turning 1/8 turn right (towards partner), point left, turn 1/4 turn left, point right

**5,6** Turn 1/8 turn right (LOD) stepping on right, turn 1/2 turn right stepping back on left

**7,8** Turn 1/2 turn right stepping forward on right, step left forward (LOD)

**(Easy option: for 6, 7, 8, walk forward 3 steps)**

**JAZZ BOX 1/4 TURN WITH BRUSH, CROSS, SIDE, SAILOR STEP**

**1,2** Cross right over left, stepping back on left turn 1/4 turn right

**3,4** Step right to right side, brush left

**5,6** Cross left over right, step right to right side

**7&8** Step left behind right, rock right to right side, recover to left

**(1st Restart is here, do a sailor with 1/4 turn towards LOD & begin again")**

**STEP DIAG. FORWARD, STEP TOWARDS LOD, (CHANGING SIDES), SHUFFLE, (REPEAT)**

**1,2** Step diagonally forward right crossing behind partner, step diagonally forward on left

**3&4** Turning toward LOD, shuffle forward, right, left, right

**5,6** Stepping diagonally forward on left (crossing behind partner), step diagonally forward on right

**7&8** Turning toward LOD, shuffle forward left, right, left

**(2nd Restart here)**

**STEP, LOCK, SHUFFLE, STEP, LOCK, SHUFFLE**

**1,2** Step right forward, lock left behind right,

**3&4** Shuffle forward, right, left, right

**5,6** Step left forward, lock right behind left

**7&8** Shuffle forward, left, right, left

**On the 9th repetition the music slows down and stops during the last 4 counts, dance with the music to the stop, hold until music resumes and start again.**

**Smile and Begin Again**

**1st Restart: after count 24 of the 6th repetition (you can hear it in the music)**

**2nd Restart: after count 32 on the 8th repetition (you can hear it in the music)**

**Optional Ending: The song ends at the end of the rolling vine in the second section.**

**Replace that section with the following**

**5,6** Turn  $\frac{1}{4}$  turn right (OLOD) stepping on right, step left to left side

**7&8** Step right behind (7), clap hands twice (&8) (if you're really good, clap hands with your partner)

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