

# BY MY SIDE

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**Count:** 32      **Wall:** 1      **Level:** beginner/intermediate line/contra dance

**Choreographer:** Sho Botham & Peter Metelnick

**Music:** I've Got This Feeling by The Mavericks

**Position:**When dancing contra, start facing a gap

## RIGHT FORWARD, ½ TURN LEFT & HITCH, COASTER STEP, STEP AND HOLD, SHUFFLE FORWARD

- 1-2      Step right forward, hitch left & pivot ½ turn left (now facing rear wall)  
3&4      Coaster step left-right-left  
5-6      Step right forward, hold  
7&8      Shuffle forward left-right-left

## ROCK FORWARD, RECOVER, ½ TURN RIGHT WITH SHUFFLE, ROCK STEP, RECOVER, ½ TURN LEFT WITH SHUFFLE

- 9-10      Rock forward right, recover on left

### Alternative steps

- 9      Step right forward raising back heel  
10      Lower left heel  
11&12      Shuffle forward right-left-right making ½ turn to right  
13-14      Rock forward left, recover on right

### Alternative steps

- 13      Step left forward raising right heel  
14      Lower right heel  
15&16      Shuffle forward left-right-left making ½ turn to left

## RIGHT FORWARD, ½ LEFT PIVOT, RIGHT FORWARD DIAGONAL ROCK & RECOVER, SHUFFLE IN PLACE, LEFT DIAGONAL ROCK & RECOVER

- 17-18      Step right forward, ½ turn pivot left (basketball turn)  
19-20      Leading with the right shoulder, rock right diagonally forward (in contra line, you will be moving towards another dancer in the opposite line on your right), step in place left

**21&22** Shuffle in place right-left-right

**23-24** Leading with left shoulder, rock left diagonally forward, step in place right (reverse of counts 19, 20)

**LONG STEP AND SLIDE DIAGONALLY BACK LEFT, COASTER STEP, STEP FORWARD, 2 BALL CHANGES**

**25-26** Long step diagonally back left, slide right towards left (weight remains on left)

**27&28** Coaster step right-left-right

**29-30** Step forward left, hold

**31-322 ball changes right left, right left traveling slightly forward**

**REPEAT**