

Back To Black

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Count: 32

Wall: 4

Level: Intermediate

Choreographer: Hedy McAdams - Oct 2015

Music: Back To Black by Amy Winehouse, [124 bpm, 4:01, clean version at Amazon]

A: RIGHT ~ TOUCH ~ LEFT ~ TOUCH ~ RIGHT ~ TOGETHER ~ TURN ~ TOUCH

(Beginning weight L)

- 1 Step R to right
- 2 Touch L beside R
- 3 Step L to left
- 4 Touch R beside L
- 5 Step R to right
- 6 Step L beside R
- 7 Turn 1/4 left [9:00] and step R back
- 8 Touch L beside R

B: FORWARD ~ TOUCH ~ BACK ~ TOUCH ~ FORWARD ~ LOCK ~ FORWARD ~ BRUSH

- 1 Step L forward
- 2 Touch R behind L
- 3 Step R back
- 4 Touch L beside R
- 5 Step L forward
- 6 Lock R behind L
- 7 Step L forward
- 8 Brush R up and into a CCW ronde

C: CROSS ~ BACK ~ BACK ~ CROSS ~ TURN ~ TOGETHER ~ FORWARD ~ PIVOT

- 1 Cross R over L
- 2 Step L back
- 3 Step R back
- 4 Cross L over R

- 5 Step R to right
- 6 Step L beside right and turn 1/4 left [6:00]
- 7 Step R forward
- 8 Pivot 1/2 left [12:00] shifting weight L

D: SKATE ~ HOLD ~ SKATE ~ HOLD ~ SKATE ~ HOLD ~ TURN ~ TOUCH

1(Big) Slide R diagonal right and slightly back

2HOLD (while sliding L toward R)

3(Big) Slide L on diagonal back and slightly left

4HOLD (while sliding R toward L)

5(Big) Slide R on diagonal back and slightly right

6HOLD (while sliding L toward R)

7(Big) Slide L back, then turn 1/4 left [9:00]

8 Touch R beside L

Begin again, Resetting “clock” at 12:00

***THE ONE 8-COUNT TAG “Rhumba Bumps,” 3 places:**

“Rumba bumps”

T1 Step R to right

T2 Touch L beside R

T3 Bump L hip left and up

T4 Return hip to neutral

T5 Step L to left

T6 Touch R beside L

T7 Bump R hip right and up

T8 Return hip to neutral

A1 Begin part A

***1st Tag: At the beginning of the 6th repetition (1:35), you will be facing the 9:00 wall. Insert the 8-count Tag here, then begin dance with A1.**

****2nd Tag: At the beginning of the 10th repetition (2:41), you will be facing the 9:00 wall. Insert the 8-count Tag here, then begin dance with A1. Note that music slows with the 2nd Tag from 126 bpm to 112 bpm.**

Note about speed: the 10th and 11th repetitions, which begin on walls 9:00 and 6:00, respectively, should be executed in harmony with the slow, reverent feel of music, i.e., with extra strength, smoothness, and precision.

*****3rd Tag: At the beginning of the 12th repetition (3:19), you will be facing the 3:00 wall. Insert the 8-count tag here, then begin the 12th repetition, beginning with A1.**

FINALE:

Repetition 13, which begins on original wall [12:00]: instead of turning $\frac{1}{4}$ left to 9:00 wall on count 7, remain on 12:00 wall, and execute A1, with a big step to the right, then draw L to R for count A2

D7,8 (Slow) Slide L back, Touch R beside L

A1,2 (Big) Step R to right, with slight lift, the draw L toward R

Please do not alter this step sheet in any way. If you would like to use this dance on your website, please make sure it is in its original format and include all contact details on this script.

“Back to Black” line dance dedicated to the memory of Amy Winehouse.

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