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| Viva La Rumba |  |

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| **Count:** | 72 | **Wall:** | 4 | **Level:** | Intermediate - Rumba | . |
| **Choreographer:** | Ira Weisburd (USA) - April 2012 |
| **Music:** | Vivir Cerca de Ti - Frank Galan |
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**Introduction: 16 counts - Approximately 9.5 sec. Into song. - NO TAGS, NO RESTARTS !!**

**I DEDICATE THIS DANCE TO RINI DONKERS FROM THE NETHERLANDS FOR SUGGESTING THIS SONG !**

**Special Thanks to Juliet Lam for proofing the Step Sheet !!**

**PART I. (STEP FORWARD, HOLD; ROCK FORWARD, RECOVER; STEP BACK, HOLD; ROCK BACK, RECOVER)**

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| 1-2 | Step R forward, hold |

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| 3-4 | Step L forward, Recover back onto R |

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| 5-6 | Step L back, hold |

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| 7-8 | Step R back, Recover forward on L |

**PART II. (STEP FORWARD, HOLD; MAKE 1/4 PIVOT TURN TO R; WEAVE 3 WITH L OVER R, RONDE w/R)**

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| 1-2 | Step R forward, hold |

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| 3-4 | Step L forward, Pivot 1/4 turn on R to R to face (3:00) |

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| 5-8 | Step L across R, Step R to R, Step L behind R, Sweep R from front to back |

**PART III. (STEP R BACK, SWEEP L, ROCK BACK, RECOVER; STEP L FORWARD, HOLD; STEP FORWARD, LOCK)**

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| 1-2 | Step R back, Sweep L from front to back |

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| 3-4 | Rock back on L, Recover forward on R |

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| 5-6 | Step L (diagonally forward to L corner), hold (1:30) |

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| 7-8 | Step R Forward, Lock L behind R (1:30) |

**PART IV. (STEP R FORWARD, HOLD; STEP, LOCK; STEP L FORWARD, HOLD; ROCK FORWARD ON R, RECOVER BACK ON L)**

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| 1-2 | Step R forward (angle body to R corner), hold (3:00) |

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| 3-4 | Step L forward (angle body to L corner), Lock R behind L |

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| 5-6 | Step L forward, hold |

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| 7-8 | Rock forward on R, Recover back on L |

**PART V. (1/2 TURN R ON R, HOLD; STEP L FORWARD, LOCK, STEP, HOLD; PIVOT 1/2 TURN L)**

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| 1-2 | Make 1/2 turn R on R to face 9:00, hold and angle body to face R corner (10:30) |

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| 3-4 | Step L forward, Lock R behind L |

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| 5-6 | Step L forward, hold (9:00) |

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| 7-8 | Step R forward, Pivot 1/2 turn L on L (3:00) |

**PART VI. (STEP R TO R, HOLD; STEP L BEHIND, STEP R TO R; CROSS, HOLD; STEP R BACK, 1/2 TURN L ON L)**

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| 1-2 | Step R to R, hold |

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| 3-4 | Step L behind R, Step R to R |

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| 5-6 | Step L across R, hold |

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| 7-8 | Step R back, Make 1/2 turn L on L (9:00) |

**PART VII. (STEP R TO R, HOLD; STEP L BEHIND, STEP R TO R; CROSS, HOLD; STEP R BACK, STEP L TO L)**

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| 1-2 | Step R to R, hold |

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| 3-4 | Step L behind R, Step R to R |

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| 5-6 | Step L across R, hold |

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| 7-8 | Step R back, Step L to L |

**PART VIII. (R TWINKLE; L TWINKLE)**

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| 1-2 | Step R across L, hold |

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| 3-4 | Step L to L, Step-close R beside L |

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| 5-6 | Step L across R, hold |

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| 7-8 | Step R to R, Step-close L beside R |

**PART IX. (R HEEL GRIND STEP WITH 1/4 TURN R; ROCK R BACK, RECOVER FORWARD ON L) - 2 TIMES**

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| 1-2 | Touch R heel forward, turning R foot 1/4 to R with weight, Step L back (12:00) |

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| 3-4 | Rock back on R, Recover forward on L |

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| 5-6 | Touch R heel forward, turning R foot 1/4 R with weight, Step L back (3:00) |

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| 7-8 | Rock back on R, Recover forward on L |

**BEGIN DANCE. Dance goes through 4x. ENDING (on 12:00 wall): Part VI, VII, VIII, IX, VIII, IX, VIII, IX**

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