Mister Bojangles

Count: 84

Level: Easy Intermediate

Choreographer: Douglas Madison (USA) - March 2022

Music: Mr. Bojangles - Nitty Gritty Dirt Band

Warmest thanks to Jean Hanson for suggesting this music. Eternal thanks to Terpsichore: dance in me, dance through me, dance with me.

Wall: 4

Intro: 12 beats; lyrics start with "I knew a man...", start dance on "knew"; start with weight on LF. (2+2 walls)

NOTE: 48-COUNT TAG at end of Walls 3 & 5.

[1-12] RIGHT STEP-LOCK, LEFT STEP-LOCK, RIGHT MAMBO, LEFT BACK COASTER

- Step RF forward on R diagonal, Lock LF behind RF, Step RF forward 1-3
- 4-6 Step LF forward on L diagonal, Lock RF behind LF, Step LF forward
- Rock forward on RF, Recover on LF, Step RF back 7-9
- 10-12 Step LF back, Step RF beside LF, Step LF forward

[13-24] RIGHT HALF-TURN WALK-AROUND (3 STEPS), RUN-RUN-RUN

- Step RF, Hold, Hold, LF, Hold, Hold, RF, Hold, Hold, turning 1/2 R [6:00] 1-9
- 10-12 Run forward three baby steps (L-R-L)

[25-36] RIGHT STEP-LOCK, LEFT STEP-LOCK, RIGHT MAMBO, LEFT BACK COASTER CROSS

- Step RF forward on R diagonal, Lock LF behind RF, Step RF forward 1-3
- 4-6 Step LF forward on L diagonal, Lock RF behind LF, Step LF forward
- 7-9 Rock forward on RF, Recover on LF, Step RF back
- Step LF back, Step RF beside LF, Cross LF over RF 10-12

[37-48] RIGHT VAUDEVILLE, LEFT VAUDEVILLE

- Step RF to R side, Step LF behind RF, Step RF to R side 1-3
- 4-6 Touch L heel on L diagonal, Step LF to L side, Cross RF over LF
- 7-9 Step LF to L side, Step RF behind LF, Step LF to L side
- 10-12 Touch R heel on R diagonal, Step RF to R side, Cross LF over RF

[49-60] SIDE, LEFT HALF-TURN HINGE, CROSS, TURN 1/4 RIGHT-BACK-TOGETHER

- Step RF to R side, Hold, Hold 1-3
- 4-6 Turn 1/2 L stepping LF beside RF, Hold, Hold [12:00]
- 7-9 Cross RF over LF, Hold, Hold
- Step back on LF turning 1/4 R, Step back on RF, Step LF beside RF [3:00] 10-12

[61-72] STEP, SLOW SWEEP, TWINKLE 1/4 LEFT, STEP, PIVOT 1/2 RIGHT

- 1-3 Step RF forward, Sweep LF back to front over two counts
- 4-6 Cross LF over RF, Step RF to R side, Step LF to L side turning 1/4 L [12:00]
- 7-9 Step RF forward, Hold, Hold
- Step LF forward, Turn 1/2 L transferring weight to RF, Step LF forward 10-12

[73-84] STEP, HIP, HIP, RUN-RUN-RUN

- 1-3 Step RF forward, Hold, Hold
- 4-6 Step LF on L diagonal bumping L hip forward, Hold, Hold
- 7-9 Recover on RF bumping R hip back, Hold, Hold
- 10-12 Run forward three baby steps (L-R-L)

START AGAIN



*TAG: 48 COUNTS

First tag at the end of Wall 3 ("Mister Bojangles..."), start facing [6:00] and finish facing [3:00] Second tag at the end of Wall 5 ("Mister Bojangles..."), start facing [3:00] and finish facing [12:00] Dance ends after first 12 counts of Wall 6

[1-12] ROCK FORWARD, RECOVER, SAILOR STEP 1/4 RIGHT, RUN-RUN-RUN

- 1-3 Rock forward on RF, Hold, Hold
- 4-6 Recover on LF, Hold, Hold
- 7-9 Step RF behind LF, Step LF to L side turning 1/4 R, Step RF slightly forward
- 10-12 Run forward three baby steps (L-R-L)

[13-24] REPEAT

1-12 Same as [1-12]

[25-36] REPEAT

1-12 Same as [1-12]

[37-48] ROCK FORWARD, RECOVER, STEP BACK, COASTER STEP

- 1-3 Rock forward on RF, Hold, Hold
- 4-6 Recover on LF, Hold, Hold
- 7-9 Step RF back, Hold, Hold
- 10-12 Step LF back, Step RF beside LF, Step LF forward