

Niinku Cha Cha Cha (Like a Cha Cha Cha)



Count: 64

Wall: 4

Level: Intermediate

Choreographer: Hanna Pitkänen (FIN) - 29 April 2023

Music: Cha Cha Cha - Käärijä



Start the dance after 16 counts intro approx. 12 seconds into track.

Restart: on wall 6 after 40 counts facing 3. After the back rock, turn ¼ to left on the spot keeping weight on R as you point L forward (1).

[1-8]: ¼ turn, R hand, L hand, grab with R L, cross arms to chest R L, ¼ turn

- 1,2 ¼ turn left stepping R back (1), push your R arm straight forward palm facing forward (2) facing 9
- 3 Push your L arm straight forward palm facing forward (3)
- 4 Make a fist with your R hand as if you were grabbing something (4)
- 5 Make a fist with your L hand as if you were grabbing something (5)
- 6,7 Bring R fist to L shoulder (6), bring L fist to R shoulder (7)
- 8 ¼ turn right as you bring both arms back down weight in the center (8) facing 12

[9-16]: Jump back, jump out, cross, ¼ turn with sweep, coaster, hitch with ¼ turn

- 1,2 Jump back with both feet together (1), Jump both feet out shoulder width apart (2)
- 3,4 Cross rock right over L (3) ¼ turn left stepping back L as you sweep R from front to back (4) facing 3
- 5,6 Step back R (5), step L next to R (6)
- 7,8 Step R forward (7), ¼ turn right hitching L (8) facing 6

Optional arm movements for counts 1,2: Cross your arms in front of your chest (1) bring both hands down to sides (2)

[17-24]: Cross shuffle, hitch, cross shuffle, touch

- 1,2 Cross L over R (1), step R next to L (2)
- 3,4 Cross L over R (3), hitch R (4)
- 5,6 Cross R over L (5), step L next to R (6)
- 7,8 Cross R over L (7), touch L next to R (8)

Optional arm movements for count 4: rise both hands up in the air when he sings "hey"

[25-32]: Side, together, side, scuff, cross rock, kick, step, kick

- 1,2 Step L to side (1), step R next to L (2)
- 3,4 Step L to side (3), scuff R next to L (4)
- 5,6 Cross R over L (5), recover weight to L as you kick R forward (6)
- 7,8 Step R forward (7), kick L diagonal left forward (8)

[33-40]: Cross, back, side, hip bump, hip bump, side, back rock

- 1&2 Cross L over R (1), step Back R (2)
- 3,4 Step L to side (3), bump hips to right (4)
- 5,6 Bump hips to left (5), step R to side (6)
- 7,8 Rock back L (7), recover weight to R (8)

*** restart here on wall 6 after 40 counts, facing 3 (scroll up to read more)**

[41-48]: Side, together, cross rock, sweep with ¼ turn, sweep, sweep, hitch, point back

- 1,2 Step L to side (1), step R next to L (2)
- 3,4 Cross rock L over R (3), ¼ turn left stepping R back as you sweep L from front to back (4) facing 9

- 5-6 Step L back as you sweep R from front to back (5), step R back as you sweep L from front to back (6)
- 7-8 Step back L as you hitch R (7), point back L (8)

[49-56] Kick ball point, cross, point, cross, side, behind with sweep, knee pop

- 1&2 Kick R forward (1), step R next to L (&), Point L to side (2)
- 3,4 Cross L over R (3), point R to side (4)
- 5,6 Cross R over L (5), step L to side (6)
- 7,8 Step R behind L as you sweep L from front to back (7), step L behind R as you pop R knee (8)

[57-64] Step, lock shuffle, ½ pivot, out, out

- 1,2 Step R forward (1), step L forward (2)
- 3,4 Lock R behind L (3), step L forward (4)
- 5,6 Step R forward (5), ½ turn left as you transfer your weight to L (6)
- 7,8 Step R forward (7), step L to side (8)

Start again

Have fun dancing!

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