

Scratching Out a Living

Count: 32

Wall: 4

Level: Beginner

Choreographer: Erin Hipkind - March 2025

Music: Scratching Out A Living - Emily Ann Roberts



Intro: Start on Lyrics

[1-8] HEELS SWIVEL OUT x2*, VINE RIGHT,

- 1 - 2 R Heel swivels right, L Heel swivels left simultaneously, bring back together
- 3 - 4 R Heel swivels right, L Heel swivels left simultaneously, bring back together
- 5 - 6 Step RF to the right, step LF behind RF
- 7 - 8 Step RF to the right, tap LF next to RF

[9 - 16] FWD STEP, BACK STEP, VINE LEFT**

- 1 - 2 Step LF forward, tap RF next to LF
- 3 - 4 Step RF back, tap LF next to RF
- 5 - 6 Step LF to the left, step RF behind LF
- 7 - 8 Step LF to the left, tap RF next to LF

[17 - 24] R HITCH BACK, L HITCH BACK, ¼ MONTEREY TURN

- 1 - 2 Hitch R Knee up and circle back, step back with RF
- 3 - 4 Hitch L Knee up and circle back, step LF together with RF
- 5 - 6 Point R Toe to right side, turn ¼ right stepping RF beside LF
- 7 - 8 Point L Toe to left side, step left beside right

[25 - 32] JAZZBOX, WALK FORWARD

- 1 - 2 Cross RF over LF, step back with LF
- 3 - 4 Step RF to right side, step LF beside right
- 5 - 6 Step forward with RF, step forward with LF
- 7 - 8 Step forward with RF, step LF slightly forward of RF

REPEAT

NO TAGS OR RESTARTS

MODIFICATIONS

* If you do not have slick boots/shoes on or are not on a slick surface, instead of kicking both heels out at the same time you can kick the R Heel out & in on 1 - 2 and then the L Heel out & in on 3 - 4

** On Walls 2, 4, & 8 (when Emily Ann sings "Scratching out a living") I like to substitute the VINE LEFT with HEEL & TOE SWIVELS LEFT

- 5 - 6 Swivel R Heel & L Heel together to the left, Swivel R Toe & L Toe together to the left
- 7 - 8 Repeat

Thanks for checking out my dance! I hope you enjoy it and Emily Ann's song as much as I do! :)