

# Hard To Say Goodbye

**COPPER KNOB**  
STEPPERS

Count: 48

Wall: 4

Level: Intermediate

Choreographer: William Sevone (UK) - April 2003

Music: The Long Goodbye - Ronan Keating : (CD: Destination)



Choreographers note:- Easier options have been included within the last section of this dance.  
Always remember - 'The beat may reach your feet - but the rhythm should electrify your soul'.  
Dance starts after 32 counts with the Piano sound - ONE COUNT BEFORE THE VOCALS

## 2x Cross-Bwd-Triple Sway. (12:00)

- 1 - 2 Cross left over right. Step backwards onto right.
- 3& 4 Step left to left side-swaying body, sway onto right, sway onto left.
- 5 - 6 Cross right over left. Step backward onto left.
- 7& 8 Step right to right side-swaying body, sway onto left, sway onto right.

## 1/2 Side. Rock. Recover-Together-Cross. Side. 1/2 Side. Side Mambo. (12:00)

- 9 - 10 Turn 1/2 left & step left to left side (6). Rock right over left.
- 11& 12 Recover onto left, step right next to left, cross left over right.
- 13 - 14 Step right to right side. Turn 1/2 left & step left to left side (12).
- 15& 16 Rock right over left, recover onto left, step right next to left.

## Scuff. 1/4 Right Fwd. Fwd Lockstep. Rock. Rec. 1/2 Left Fwd Lockstep. (9:00)

- 17 - 18 Scuff left forward. Turn 1/4 right & step left forward (3).
- 19& 20 Step forward onto right, lock left behind right, step forward onto right.
- 21 - 22 Rock forward onto left. Recover onto right.
- 23& 24 Turn 1/2 left & step forward onto left (9), lock right behind left, step forward onto left.

## 2x Double Sway-Sailor. (9:00)

- 25 - 26 Step right to right side-swaying body. Sway onto left.
- 27& 28 Step right behind left, step left to left side, step right to right side.
- 29 - 30 Step left to left side-swaying body. Sway onto right.
- 31& 32 Step left behind right, step right to right side, step left to left side.

**RESTART: NEW WALL at this point: READ BELOW - IMPORTANT:**

**Wall 4: Count 32 (facing 6:00) - TOUCH left to left side.**

**Wall 5: Counts 31&32 (facing 3:00) - Repeat 2x with 'TOUCH'**

## 1/4 Bwd. 1/4 Fwd. Fwd Full Spin. Rock. Rec. Side Full & 1/4 Spin. (12:00)

- 33 - 34 Turn 1/4 right & step backward onto right (12). Turn 1/4 right & step forward onto left (3).
- Dance note: Count 34; As you step forward turn body diagonally right-ready for the next step combination.**
- 35& 36 (moving forward) Full turn right stepping: R.L, then stepping forward onto right (3).
- Option: Counts 35& 36: Step forward onto right , lock left behind right, step forward onto right .**
- 37 - 38 Rock forward onto left. Recover onto right.
- 39& 40 (moving to left) Full turn and a 1/4 left stepping: L.R, then stepping forward onto left (12)
- Option: Counts 39& 40: Turn 1/4 left & step forward onto left, lock right behind left, step forward onto left.**

## Rock. Rock. Behind-Together-Cross. Sway. Sway. Behind-1/4 Right Side-Scuff. (3:00)

- 41 - 42 Rock right across left. Recover onto left.
- 43& 44 Step right behind left, step left next to right, cross right over left.
- 45 - 46 Step left to left side-swaying body. Sway onto right.
- 47& 48 Step left behind right, turn 1/4 right & step right to right side, scuff left forward (3).

**DANCE FINISH:** On count 48 of wall 6 you will be facing 6:00. Add the following AFTER count 48 for a 'normal' finish:

With left foot still raised, turn ½ right and step left diagonally forward right. (Hold as music and vocal fades – long fade).

or

**Optional full ending:**

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| 1 - 2   | With left foot still raised, turn ½ right and step left diagonally forward right. Step right diagonally left |
| 3 - 4   | Step left diagonally forward right. Step right diagonally left   |
| 5 - 6   | (wrap/hold arms) Sway onto: Left. Right  |
| 7 - 8   | (wrap/hold arms) Sway onto: Left. Right  |
| 9 - 10  | Turn ¼ left & step left to left side. Turn ¼ left & step right diagonally forward left (6).                  |
| 11 - 12 | Step left diagonally forward right. Step right diagonally forward left.                                      |
| 13 - 14 | Turn ½ left & step backward onto left . Step right to right side – swaying body                              |
| 15 - 16 | (wrap/hold arms) Sway onto: Left. Right  |
| 17 - 18 | (wrap/hold arms) Sway onto: Left. Right  |
| 19 - 20 | (wrap/hold arms) Sway onto: Left. Right  |

**Continue as music and vocals finish.**

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