# Hippo Christmas



Count: 32 Wall: 2 Level: Conta Fun Dance - Beginner

Choreographer: Bill James (UK) - December 2008

Music: I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas - Gayle Peevey : (CD: Dr Demento

Presents the Great Year 1999 / Funny Christmas Songs)



## SHUFFLE, SHUFFLE, HEEL SWITCHES

1 & 2	Step R forward, close L beside R, step R forward
3 & 4	Step L forward, close R beside L, step L forward
5 &	Dig R heel forward, step R beside L
6 &	Dig L heel forward, step L beside R
7 &	Dig R heel forward, step R beside L
8 &	Dig L heel forward, step L beside R

## ROCK, SHUFFLE BACK, JAZZ BOX

9 – 10	Rock forward on R, rock weight back onto L
11 & 12	Step R back, close L beside R, step R back
13 – 14	Cross step L over R, step R back
15 – 16	Step L to L side, touch R beside L

## GRAPEVINE, STOMPS, GRAPEVINE, STOMPS

17 – 18	Step R to R side, step L behind R
19 & 20	Step R to R side, stomp L beside R, stomp L beside R
21 – 22	Step L to L side, step R behind L
23 & 24	Step L to L side, stomp R beside L, stomp R beside L

#### STEP, PIVOT ¼ TURN, KICK BALL CHANGE, STEP, PIVOT ¼ TURN, KICK BALL CHANGE

25 – 26	Step R forward, pivot ¼ turn L
27 & 28	Kick R forward, step ball of R beside L, step L beside R
29 – 30	Step R forward, pivot ¼ turn L
31 & 32	Kick R forward, step ball of R beside L, step L beside R

## **START AGAIN**

# TAG: Danced once after the 4th repetition

1 & 2	Step R to R side, close L beside R, step R to R side
3 – 4	Rock L back behind R, rock weight forward onto R
5 & 6	Step L to L side, close R beside L, step L to L side
7 – 8	Rock R back behind L, rock weight forward onto L

ENDING: Danced after 8th repetition of dance. Dance up to count 10 then Pose and shout HIPPO CHRISTMAS

NOTE 1 This is a contra line dance and from counts 1-24 you must hold hands when dancing. (now isn't that sweet) But let go for 25-32 NOTE 2 No elves or reindeers were harmed in the testing of this dance NOTE 3 This dance works better after 3 or 4 G& T's or Vodka & Cokes

## HAVE A VERY HIPPO CHRISTMAS