Splendored Thing



Count: 64 Wall: 1 Level: Intermediate

Choreographer: William Sevone (UK) - October 2010

Music: Love Is a Many Splendored Thing - The Lettermen : (Many Compilations)



Choreographers note:- This dance can also be performed as a 32 count (1-32) for Advanced Beginners, finishing on count 12 of 7th repetition.

My thanks to Candy Tan for reminding me what a beautiful song this is.

IMPORTANT NOTE:- Be aware of the deceptive tempo changes within this dance. Hence the dance being levelled at

Those more experienced within the Intermediates. Guide: each repetition starts with the vocals.

Always remember - 'The beat may reach your feet - but the rhythm should electrify your soul'.

Dance starts with the vocals.

Sway:R-L. Behind. Side. Press Step. Back. Lock (12:00)

1 – 2	Sway right to right. Sway/recover or	nto left

- 3 4 Step right behind left. Step left to left.
- 5 6 Press right forward. Recover onto left.
- 7 8 Step backward onto right. Lock left across front of right.

Press Step. Full Turn. 1/4 Sweep. 3/4 Sweep (12:00)

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9 – 10	Press right	backward.	Recover	onto left.

- 11 12 Turn ¼ left & step right to right side (9). Turn ¾ left & step forward onto left (12)
- 13 14 Turning ¼ left sweep right from back & step slightly forward (over 2 counts) (9)
- 15 16 Turning ¾ left sweep left from back to behind right (over 2 counts) (12)

4x Back Sweeps (12:00)

- 17 18 Sweeping right front to back step backward onto right.
- 19 20 Sweeping left front to back step backward onto left.
- 21 22 Sweeping right front to back step backward onto right.
- 23 24 Sweeping left front to back step backward onto left.

Style note: 17-24 moving back ward swaying arms into direction of sweeps.

1/4 Sway. 3x Sway. 2x Full Turn (12:00)

- 25 26 Turn ¼ right & sway right to right (3). Sway onto left.
- 27 28 Sway onto right. Sway/recover onto left.

Style note: Sway arms in direction of body sway.

- 29 30 Turn ½ left & step right to right side (9). Turn ¾ left & step forward onto left (12)
- 31 32 Turn ¼ left & step right to right side (9). Turn ¾ left & step forward onto left (12)

2x Diagonal Step-Lock-Diagonal Step. 3/8 Back. Rock Back (6:00)

- 33 34 Step right diagonally forward left. Lock left behind right...
- 35 36 Step right diagonally forward right. Step left diagonally forward right.
- 37 38 Lock right behind left. Step left diagonally forward left.
- 39 40 Turn 3/8 left (to face 6) & step backward onto right. With slight sweeping action rock backward onto left.

2x Diagonal Step-Lock-Diagonal Step. 3/8 Back. 1/2 Fwd (6:00)

- 41 42 Step right diagonally forward left. Lock left behind right..
- 43 44 Step right diagonally forward right. Step left diagonally forward right.
- 45 46 Lock right behind left. Step left diagonally forward left.
- 47 48 Turn 3/8 left (to face 12) & step backward onto right. Turn ½ left & step forward onto left (6)

1/2 Back. Back. Cross. Side. Behind. Sway. Sway. Cross (12:00)

49 – 50	Turn ½ left & step backward onto right (12). Step backward onto left.

51 – 52	Cross right over left. Step left to left side.
53 – 54	Step right behind left. Sway left to left side.
55 – 56	Sway/recover onto right. Cross left over right.

Side. Behind. Sway. Sway. 2x Slow Diagonal (12:00)

57 – 58	Step right to right side. Step left behind right.	
59 – 60	Sway right to right side. Sway/recover onto left.	
61 – 62	Step right diagonally forward left (over 2 counts or Step then Hold on 2nd count)	
63 – 64	Step left diagonal forward right (over 2 counts or Step then Hold on 2nd count)	
Dance note: On final repetition there is a musical change within the section – keep to original tempo.		

Finale: After count 64 of the 3rd (final) repetition - keep to original tempo.

1 – 2	Sway i	riaht onto	right side.	Swav	into centre.
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- 3 4 Sway left to left side. Sway into centre (weight on right).
- 5 6
 Step left diagonal forward right (over 2 counts or Step then Hold on 2nd count)
 7 8
 Step right diagonally forward left (over 2 counts or Step then Hold on 2nd count)

On count 8 assume a 'pose' and hold until music finishes .

Dance note: Counts 1-4 are performed as a figure '8'