

THE BRAID

History: This Ukrainian mixer has several melodies that it is dance to.
Here is a danceable tempo for all to enjoy.

Formation: Circle of couples, M on the outside facing his partner whose back is to the center of dance area.
There is an 8 measure introduction to the dance.

Measures

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| 1 | Hop on L and point R toe at same time. Hop on L again, placing R heel FWD |
| 2-4 | Repeat measure 1 starting w/R, then repeat measures 1 and 2 again (4 measures in all) |
| 5-8 | Hook R elbows w/partner, dance around each other w/4 light running two-steps, ending back to place |
| 9-14 | M face in, W face out - hook L elbows w/corner W and all move toward M's R with 6 running two-steps |
| 15-16 | Release R elbow hold w/original partner and walk around 4 steps retaining your L elbow hook. At the end of the walk, start dance again with a NEW partner. Each time dance is completed M will have a new partner. |

Continue dance until end of music.

