Mockingbird

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Suggested music "Mockingbird" by Toby Keith & Crystal Keith Beg dance – 32 counts 4 walls Start after last Mockingbird words – total intro is 36 counts.

1-8 Tap Steps, Coaster, Scuff Hitch, Coaster

(1,2,3&4,5&6,7&8) Tap R slightly to Right (can be stomp) (1), kick R to side (2), start coaster by stepping behind with R, step together L, forward R (3&4), scuff L (5), hitch L (&), cross L over R (6), coaster by stepping back R, together L, forward R (7&8)

9 - 16 Hip Bump Steps, Fast Hip Wiggle Slide

(1-4, 5&6&, 7,8) Tap L while bumping Left hip (1), Step on L slightly forward (2), Tap R while bumping Right hip (3), Step on R slightly forward (4), tap L to side and do a fast hip bump L,R,L,R (5&6&), big step L and slide (7,8) leave foot out or let it start to come in as it starts a coaster next

17-24 ¹/₄ Turning Coaster, Off to See the Wizard (step & sailors), Walks

(1&2,3,4&5,6&7,8) Coaster Step RLR with ¼ turn Right 1&2 [turning ¼ turn right step behind R (1), Step in place L (&), step forward R (2)], do 2 "off to see the wizards" by stepping forward L (3), do 2 sailors first RLR, then LRL traveling slightly angled and forward (4&5, 6&7) step forward R (8). Explanation of sailor steps – step R behind L (4), step side L (&), step slightly forward R (5), step L behind (6), step side R (&), step slightly forward L (7), step forward R (8)

25-32 Feet Apart, Hip Bumps, Crossing Shuffle

(1,2, 3456, 7&8) Step L to left so feet are apart (1), step R in place or slightly right making feet farther apart (2), Hip bump L, R, L, (3,4,5), hip bump R but push weight fully onto R foot letting Left foot drift off the ground (6), bring L over right for crossing shuffle to the right LRL by stepping L crossed over, side R, cross L (7&8).

Repeat – no tags, no restarts, just fun! While this dance can go to any song that is 32 counts, it phrases nicely with this version of Mockingbird. The hip wiggle slide will accent the music sometimes and when you do the last hip bumps you can accent the way that they sing and then the counts will be a little different.