

Waka Waka

Choreographer: Roy Hoeben

Type: 32 Count, 4 Wall Novelty (1 easy tag)

Level: Newcomer/High Beginner

Music: "Waka Waka" by Shakira (available on iTunes)

Begin dance at about 6 seconds into the song – it will be an instrumental section of 32 counts, and then the lyrics begin (note: this dance starts before the lyrics by Shakira begins)

Step Sheet written by Rose Haven, www.atlantinedance.com for contact information

1-8 Side, Side, Triple Right, Cross, Side, ¼ Turn Left Triple Step

1-2 Step R foot to right side, angled slightly right, Step L foot to side, angled slightly left

3&4 Step R foot to right side, Step L foot towards R (&), Step R foot slightly to right (body is angled towards the right for counts 3&4)
(arms: allow arms to swing out and to sides – contra body movement- on these 1st 4 counts)

5 Step L across in front of R

6 Step R to side (beginning of ¼ turn left)

7&8 Step L into ¼ turn left, Step R next to L (&), Step L forward and slightly to left side (9:00) (roll fists over each other in front of chest counts 7&8)

9-16 Side, Side, Triple Right, Cross, Side, ¼ Turn Left Triple Step

Repeat above 8 counts

17-24 Mambo Forward, Back, Side, and Body Push

1&2 R rock forward, Recover weight to L (&),
Step R next to or slightly back of L

3&4 L rock back, Recover weight to R (&),
Step L next to or slightly in front of R

5&6 R rock to right side, Recover weight to L (&), Step R foot next to L

7-8 Push body (chest) forward for 2 counts (arms out to sides may push forward as well)

25-32 Walk Forward 4 Step, Hip Circle Turns 3/4 to Left

1-4 Walk forward on R, L, R, L

5-6 Step R forward, Pivot ¼ left with hip circle as you turn

7-8 Step R forward, Pivot ½ left with hip circle as you turn.

Tag: after completing 3 walls of the dance (facing 3:00 wall) repeat the last 16 counts (mambo steps, and walk to ¾ turn left) and start the dance again from the top at 6:00 wall). This occurs after you hear the "Africa" for the 1st time. Right after the tag, there is 32 counts of an instrumental portion again as you start the dance over again.