

Jurelul

(Romania, North Carpathian Mountains)

Jurelul is a dance recently introduced in the Romanian repertoire. It comes from the Ukraine via the region of Maramureş. This is a dance from the mountains. The style of the steps is like *Brâul*: sharp, quick and energetic.

Pronunciation: zhoo-REH-lool

Music:

4/4 meter

Formation: Mixed circle, hand joined in V-pos.

Styling: Sharp, quick, and energetic.

Meas

Pattern

FIGURE I

Facing ctr, moving continuously to the R

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| 1 | Step fwd on R (body slightly diag to the R), swinging arms fwd (ct 1); step fwd on L (same body pos), swinging arms bkwd (ct 2); step fwd on R (same body pos.), swinging arms fwd (ct 3); lift R heel, raising L leg (L ft close to R leg) (ct 4). |
| 2 | Step bkwd on L (body slightly diag to the L), swinging arms bkwd (ct 1); step bkwd on R (same body pos), swinging arms fwd (ct 2); step bkwd on L (same body pos), swinging arms bkwd (ct 3); lift L heel, raising R leg (R ft close to L leg) (ct 4). |
| 3-8 | Repeat meas 1-2, three more times (4 total) Note: zigzag pattern. |

FIGURE II

Facing and moving LOD.

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| 1 | Step fwd on R (ct 1); scuff L heel (ct &); step fwd on L (ct 2); scuff R heel (ct &); step fwd on R (ct 3); Asemblé fall on both ft together fwd (ct 4). |
| 2 | Repeat meas 1. |
| 3 | Step fwd on R (ct 1); scuff L heel (ct &); step fwd on L (ct 2); scuff R heel (ct &); step fwd on R (ct 3); scuff L heel (ct &); step fwd on L (ct 4); scuff R heel (ct &). |
| 4 | Step fwd on R (ct 1); scuff L heel (ct &); step fwd on L (ct 2); assemblé fall on both ft together fwd (ct 3); jump on both ft together (ct 4). |
| 5-8 | Repeat meas 1-4. |

FIGURE III

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| 1 | Facing ctr, step on R to R (ct 1); step on L next to R (ct 2); step on R to R, raising L leg in front, bent knee (ct 3); kick with L leg to the ground ("pump") (ct 4). |
| 2 | Repeat meas 1 with opp ftwk and direction. |
| 3-8 | Repeat meas 1-2 three more times (4 total). |

Sequence: Fig I, Fig II, Fig III, Fig I, Fig II, Fig III, Fig I, Fig II, Fig II

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