

CUCARACHA

Count: 32 **Wall:** 4 **Level:** Beginner
Choreographer: Hank & Mary Dahl
Music: Right Now by Mary Chapin Carpenter

ROCK AND HOLD

1-2 Step right foot to right side, rock step back onto left foot
3-4 Step right foot next to left, hold
5-6 Step left foot to left side, rock step back onto right foot
7-8 Step left foot next to right, hold

SWIVEL WALK (IMAGINE WALKING A TIGHTROPE)

9-10 Swiveling on ball of left foot step forward on ball of right, swiveling on ball of right foot step forward on ball of left foot
11-12 Swiveling on ball of left foot step forward on ball of right foot, hold
13-14 Swiveling on ball of right foot, step forward on ball of left, swiveling on ball on ball of left step forward on ball of right
15-16 Swiveling on ball of right step forward on ball of left foot

WALK BACK AND HITCH, STEP-SLIDE, ¼ TURN LEFT

17-18 Step right foot back, step left foot back
19-20 Step right foot back, hitch (raise) left knee
21-22 Step left foot forward, slide right foot behind and to the left of left foot
23-24 Making ¼ turn left and step left foot forward, brush right foot forward

GRAPEVINE RIGHT, GRAPEVINE LEFT

25-26 Step right foot to right, step left foot behind right
27-28 Step right foot to right, brush left foot forward
29-30 Step left foot to left, step right foot behind left
31-32 Step left foot to left, brush right foot forward

REPEAT

This dance continues to be popular and can be done to practically anything with a solid 4-count beat or anything Rhumba-feeling. It can also be done as "Cucaracha Cha" to a Cha-Cha rhythm by doing any 3-4 or 7-8 count as a Cha-Cha step instead (3&4 or 7&8).