

# La Bamba

Count: 40

Wall: 2

Level: High Beginner

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Music: La Bamba - Ritchie Valens



**Intro: Start on Lyrics "Bamba"**

**S1: RIGHT STEP LOCK FORWARD, BRUSH, LEFT STEP LOCK FORWARD, BRUSH**

- 1-4 Step right forward, lock left behind right, step right forward, brush left forward  
5-8 Step left forward, lock right behind left, step left forward, brush right forward

**S2: ROCKING CHAIR DIAGONALLY TO THE LEFT CORNER; ROCKING CHAIR DIAGONALLY TO THE RIGHT CORNER**

- 1-4 (Facing left forward corner) Step forward on right, recover on left, step back on right, hold  
5-8 (Facing right forward corner) Step forward on left, recover on right, step back on left, hold

**S3: RUMBA BOX BACK AND FORWARD WITH HOLDS**

- 1-4 Step right to side, step left together, step right to back, left foot, hold  
5-8 Step left to side, step right together, step left forward, right foot, hold

**S4: MAMBO RIGHT, HOLD, MAMBO LEFT, HOLD**

- 1-4 Step right to right, recover on left, step right beside left, hold  
5-8 Step left to left, recover on left, step left beside right, hold

**S5: PADDLE ½ TURN TO LEFT**

- 1-2 Step right forward, turn 1/8 left (weight on left)  
3-4 Step right forward, turn 1/8 left (weight on left)  
5-8 Repeat 1-4 to complete ½ turn to the left

**FIRST RESTART – Second time facing the front 12 o'clock wall, after the first 32 counts**

**SECOND RESTART WITH TAG – Third time facing the front 12 o'clock wall, after 16 counts, and the end of the instrumental, there is a TAG, right step touch, left step touch, then RESTART**