

We Are Australian (5-Stanza Version)

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STEPSHEETS

Count: 64

Wall: 2

Level: Beginner

Choreographer: Mitzi Batu Hillis (AUS) - March 2024

Music: I Am Australian - Bruce Woodley & Clare Woodley



The order of this longer version of the dance is: 1st Stanza, Tag:6 count, 2nd Stanza, Tag:6, 3rd Stanza, Tag:2, 1st Chorus, Tag:6, 4th Stanza, Tag:2, 5th Stanza, Tag:2, 2nd Chorus, 3rd Chorus, and then repeat Chorus Section C4.

Intro: 8 Count (after the children stop singing and when guitar starts) Start on Vocals

STANZA (The 1st Stanza starts at 12:00 and ends at 6:00)

Section S1: Out-In, Step Drag, Out-In, Step Drag

- 1 - 2 Point R to R side, touch R beside L
- 3 - 4 Take a wide Step R to R, drag L towards R and touch beside R
- 5 - 6 Point L to L side, touch L beside R
- 7 - 8 Take a wide Step L to L, drag R towards L and touch beside L

Section S2: R Cross Rock, R Chassé, L Cross Rock, L Chassé

- 1 - 2 Cross rock R over L, Recover onto L
- 3 & 4 Step R to R side, Close L beside R, Step R to R side
- 5 - 6 Cross rock L over R, Recover onto R
- 7 & 8 Step L to L side, Close R beside L, Step L to L side

Section S3: (Repeat Section S2)

Section S4: Rocking Chair, Paddle ¼ L, Paddle ¼ L

- 1 - 2 Rock forward on R, recover on L
- 3 - 4 Rock back on R, recover on L
- 5 - 6 Step forward on R, putting weight on it and turn ¼ L
- 7 - 8 Step forward on R, putting weight on it and turn ¼ L

TAG: 6 count (after the 1st Stanza)

- 1 - 2 Rock forward on R, recover on L
- 3 - 4 Rock back on R, recover on L
- 5 - 6 Rock forward on R, recover on L, and immediately repeat STANZA

Repeat STANZA (The 2nd Stanza starts at 6:00 and ends at 12:00)

TAG: 6 count (after the 2nd Stanza)

- 1 - 2 Rock forward on R, recover on L
- 3 - 4 Rock back on R, recover on L
- 5 - 6 Rock forward on R, recover on L, and immediately repeat STANZA

Repeat STANZA (The 3rd Stanza starts at 12:00 and ends at 6:00)

TAG: 2 count (after the 3rd Stanza)

- 1 - 2 Sway R, Sway L

CHORUS (The 1st Chorus starts at 6:00 and ends at 12:00)

Section C1: Side, Together, Side, Touch and Clap above the head, Repeat to L

- 1 - 4 (At lyric word "one") Step R to R, Step L beside R, Step R to R, Touch L beside R and Clap
- 5 - 8 Step L to L, Step R beside L, Step L to L, Touch R beside L and Clap

Section C2: Walk Back 3 steps, together, Run Forward

- 1 - 4 Walk back R-L-R, Step L beside R

5&6&7-8 (At lyric word "come") Run forward R-L-R-L-R, Step L beside R

Section C3: Side, Together, Side, Touch and Clap above the head, Repeat to L

1 - 4 (At lyric word "dream") Step R to R, Step L beside R, Step R to R, Touch L beside R and Clap

5 - 8 Step L to L, Step R beside L, Step L to L, Touch R beside L and Clap

Section C4: [Feet and arms movements at lyrics "I am, You are, We are Australian"]

1 - 2 Point R Diagonally forward while pointing both hands to chest, Step R beside L

3 - 4 Point L Diagonally forward while bringing both hands forward and open out, Step L beside R

5 - 8 Bring arms up gradually above the head while doing a 180 degree turn R-L-R-L on the spot (Note: 180 degree turn is for the 1st Chorus only to face back to 12:00. Do a 360 degree turn for the 2nd & 3rd Choruses)

At the end of the 1st CHORUS

TAG: 6 count

1 - 2 Rock forward on R, recover on L

3 - 4 Rock back on R, recover on L

5 - 6 Rock forward on R, recover on L, and immediately repeat STANZA

Repeat STANZA (The 4th Stanza starts at 12:00 and ends at 6:00)

TAG: 2 count (after the 4th Stanza)

1 - 2 Sway R, Sway L, and immediately repeat STANZA

Repeat STANZA (The 5th Stanza starts at 6:00 and ends at 12:00)

TAG: 2 count (after the 5th Stanza)

1 - 2 Sway R, Sway L

Repeat CHORUS (The 2nd Chorus starts at 12:00 and ends at 12:00)

Repeat CHORUS (The 3rd Chorus starts at 12:00 and ends at 12:00)

Repeat CHORUS Section C4 only

At the end of the "I am, you are" PAUSE very briefly when the singing stops, then start the 360 degree turn. By the time the singing gets to "lian" in the "Australian", you should be all the way round and starting the bow with a flourish.

5 - 8 PAUSE, Bring arms up gradually above the head then do a 360 degree turn R-L-R-L on the spot and BOW with a flourish

(Bow at the last two syllables of the word "Australian")

Choreographer's notes:

(1) If you wish to dance as a one wall dance, replace the STANZA section S4 with two V steps (instead of Rocking Chair and Paddle turns), and end all CHORUSES with a 360 degree turn.

Alternative STANZA Section S4: V step, V step

1,2,3,4 Step R forward onto R diagonal (45 degree), Step L forward onto L diagonal (45 degree), Step R back to centre, Step L beside R

5,6,7,8 Step R forward onto R diagonal (45 degree), Step L forward onto L diagonal (45 degree), Step R back to centre, Step L beside R

(2) If you wish to dance a shorter version, please refer to my "We Are Australian (3-stanza version)" step sheet.

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