

# Baby Can I Hold You?

Count: 38

Wall: 2

Level: Intermediate

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Music: Baby Can I Hold You - Tracy Chapman



## [1-9] Basic Right, Side, Cross, Unwind Full Turn, Sway Right, Close, 1/8 Step, Mambo 1/2 Turn

- 1-2& Step right to right side, rock back on left, recover weight on to right.  
3-4& Step left to left side, cross right over left, unwind full turn changing weight to left foot.  
5-6-7 Sway hips right, step left beside right, turn 1/8 left stepping right forward/across left (10.30).  
8&1 Rock forward left, recover weight onto right, turn 1/2 left stepping forward left (4.30).

**Styling option: On chorus walls, cross your arms across your chest on count 7 and hold there for count 8. She will sing "Baby, Can I" as you sway for counts 5-6 and then "hold you" on counts 7-8. Drop your arms as she says tonight for count 9.**

## [10-16] Step, Triple Full Turn, Quick Rock, Run Back, Press, Recover 1/4 Turn.

- 2 Step forward forward right prepping to turn right.  
3&4 Triple full turn right stepping - left-right-left. (or shuffle forward left)  
5& Rock forward on to right foot, recover weight on to left.  
6& Run back right-left.  
7 Press back on to ball of right foot starting to turn right.  
8 Recover weight onto left completing 1/4 turn right (7.30).

**Styling option: Sway/push your shoulders right on counts 7 looking back over your right shoulder.**

## [17-25] Cross 1/8 Turn, Hinge 1/4 Cross, Side, Cross, Lunge, Recover 1/4 Turn, 1/4 Side, Back Rock & Side.

- 1 Turn 1/8 right crossing right over left (9.00)  
2&3 Turn 1/4 right stepping back left, step right to right side, cross left over right (12:00).  
4& Step right to right side, cross left over right. (or make full turn over left shoulder stepping right-left)  
5-6 Lunge right to right side, recover weight on to left turning 1/4 left (9:00)  
7 Turn 1/4 left taking large step to right side (6:00)  
8&1 Rock left behind right, recover weight on to right, step left to left side.

**Styling option: Extend/reach your right hand out to the right side looking towards 3:00 on count 5.**

## [26-32] Weave 1/4 Turn, Walk Forward, Mambo 1/2 Turn, Mambo 1/2 Turn.

- 2& Cross right behind left, turn 1/4 left stepping forward left (3:00)  
3-4 Walk forward right-left. (Prissy walks if you prefer)  
5&6 Rock forward right dipping slightly, recover weight on to left, turn 1/2 right stepping forward right. (9.00).  
7&8 Rock forward left dipping slightly, recover weight on to right, turn 1/2 left stepping forward left (3:00).

**Replace counts 5-8 with a mambo forward and back to remove turns.**

**\*Restart here on Wall 3 - Start wall 3 facing 12:00 and restart facing 12:00 after count 32.**

**\*Restart here on Wall 5 - Start wall 5 facing 6:00 and restart facing 6:00 after count 32.**

## [33-38] 1/4 Nightclub Right, Hinge 1/2 Turn, Cross, Sways.

- 1-2& Turn 1/4 left stepping right to right side (12:00), rock back left, recover weight on to right.  
3-4& Turn 1/4 right stepping back left (3:00), turn 1/4 right stepping side right (6:00), cross left over right.  
5-6 Sway right, sway left hitching knee slightly.

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**START AGAIN & ENJOY!**

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