

Paradise Tonight

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Count: 32

Wall: 4

Level: Beginner / Improver

Choreographer: Glynn Rodgers (UK) - December 2024

Music: Paradise Tonight - Mickey Gilley & Charly McClain

or: Paradise Tonight - Robert Mizzell



Phrasing Restart after 8 counts on wall 4 and after 28 on walls 6&8

Note: Both Mickey Gilley & Robert Mizzell's versions use the same restarts and all restarts happen facing 12:00!

[1-8] Charleston Swings, Jazz ¼ Turn.

- 1-2 Swing right foot forward touching toe forward, swing right foot back and step down.
- 3-4 Swing left foot back touching toe back, swing left foot forward and step down.
- 5-6 Cross right over left, turn ¼ right stepping back left (3:00).
- 7-8 Step right to right side, step slightly forward left.

**** Restart here on wall 4 (Start wall facing 9:00, restart facing 12:00)**

[9-16] Forward Rock, Shuffle ½ Turn, Forward Rock, Shuffle ¾ Turn.

- 1-2 Rock forward right, recover weight on to left.
- 3&4 Shuffle ½ turn right stepping – right-left-right (9:00).
- 5-6 Rock forward left, recover weight on to right.
- 7&8 Shuffle ¾ turn left stepping – left-right-left (12:00).

[17-24] Side Mambos Right & Left, Side, Close, Chasse ¼ Turn.

- 1&2 Rock right to right side, recover weight on to left, step right beside left.
 - 3&4 Rock left to left side, recover weight on to right, step left beside right.
- ** Alternatively, you can use Mambo Crosses for counts 1-4**
- 5-6 Step right to right side, close left to right.
 - 7&8 Step right to right side, close left to right, turn ¼ right stepping forward right (3:00).

[25-32] Paddle/Chug Turn, Shuffle Forward, Paddle/Chug Turn, Walk Forward.

- 1& Step forward on ball of left foot, recover weight on to right turning ¼ right (6:00)
- 2& Step forward on ball of left foot, recover weight on to right turning ¼ right (9:00)
- 3&4 Shuffle forward – left-right-left.

**** Restart here on walls 6&8 (both start facing 3:00 and restart facing 12:00)**

- 5& Step forward on ball of right foot, recover weight on to left turning ¼ left (6:00)
- 6& Step forward on ball of right foot, recover weight on to left turning ¼ left (3:00)
- 7-8 Walk forward right-left.

Easier alternative for paddle turns;

- 1-2 Step forward left, pivot ½ turn right. 5-6 Step forward right, pivot ½ turn left.

For the restarts on walls 6&8, listening for the music changing and they sing “ooooh, so this is paradise, oooooh, so this is paradise. Paradise all night” then start again.