She Takes the Lead



Count: 32 Wall: 2 Level: Improver Contra

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Music: Te Amo - Rihanna



Intro: 16 counts - Restart: 2

[1 - 8] CROSS ROCK, RECOVER, STEP BACK, STEP FORWARD, ½ TURN, STEP BACK, STEP FORWARD x2

1, 2 Cross rock R forward to left diagonal, recover L

3, 4 Turn ¼ right stepping R to right (3:00), step L to diagonal left forward 5, 6 Turn ½ left (9:00) stepping R to right, turn ¼ left rocking L back (6:00)

7, 8 Step/recover R forward, step L to meet R

[9 - 16] HIP SWAY X2, STEP FORWARD, SHUFFLE, ½ PIVOT, SHUFFLE

1, 2 Sway hips right, sway hips left

3, 4 & 5 Step R forward, step L forward, step R to meet L, step L forward

6 Step R forward

7, & 8 Turn ½ over left shoulder stepping L forward (12:00), step R to meet L, step L forward

*Optional styling: for counts 1 and 2 you can rest right hand on partner's waist or shoulder

[17 - 24] MAMBO x2, 1/4 COASTER, SLIDE

1, & 2	Rock R to right, recover L, step R by L
3, & 4	Rock L to right, recover R, step L by R
5, & 6	Turn ¼ left rocking R back (9:00), step L forward, touch R next to L
7, 8	Step R to right, slide L to touch next to R

[25 - 32] ROLLING GRAPEVINE, DIAGONAL SHUFFLE, SHUFFLE

1, 2	Turn ¼ left stepping L forward,, turn ¼ left stepping R next to L,
3, 4	Turn ½ left stepping L to left, touch R next to L
5, & 6	Turn 1/2 left step R to right, step L to meet R, step R to right

7, & 8 Turn 1/8 left step L to left, step R by L, step L to left (6:00)

If you try this one out, tag me on Instagram @hayden_gutteridge. I'd love to see it!

^{*}Optional styling: on count 1 dip right shoulder

^{*}Optional styling: for counts 5 and 6 you can hold your partner's waist as you turn around them