## Hora schioapă

Basarabia, Moldavia

Hora, plural Hore, is the name of an ancient circular dance. The word schioapă means limping and this dance is a great example of a very old Hora.

**Pronunciation:** HOH-rah SHKEE-AH-pah

Formation: mixed circle

**Position:** hands up in W pos, facing centre

Meter: 2/4

**Style:** Flex knees, and do tiny circles with hands (up first, twd centre) except during

stamping

Meas 1-4 5-16	Introduction no action Facing slightly R, starting on R, walk 24 steps in LOD, facing ctr on last count
1-2 3-4	Figure 1 To ctr, step R, L, R (1-3), touch L ball (4) Bkwd, step L, R, L (1-3), stamp R pointing slightly L (4), stamp R pointing slightly R (&)
5-8	Repeat measures 1-4
1 2	Figure 2 (grapevine) Moving L, facing slightly L, step R across L (1), facing ctr, step L to L (2) Facing slightly R, step on R behind L (1), touch L ball slightly fwd and left (2)

- Moving R, facing slightly R, step L across R (1), facing ctr, step R to R (2) 3
- Facing slightly L, step on L behind R (1), stamp R pointing slightly L (4), stamp R pointing slightly R (&)
- Repeat measures 1-4 5-8

## Meas Figure 3

- 1-3 Facing slightly L, walk 6 steps RLOD starting with R ft
- With wt on L, brush R ft (no wt) across in front of L ft (&) finishing with R knee bent up (1), turning to face ctr, stamp R to the right and fwd of L ft (no wt) (&), step R with accent to R turning to face slightly R (2)
- 5-8 Repeat meas 1-4 with opp ftwk and direction
- 9-16 Repeat measures 1-8

## Final pattern:

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Intro +
F1 + F2 + F3 + 2 steps twd centre (R, L) +
F1 + F2 + F3 +
F1 + F2 + F3 + step on R + step on L close to R ft.
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