

Itele

Oltenia, Romania

Originally a girls' dance, simulating weaving threads to make cloth on a loom. Introduced to North America by Mihai David.

Formation: Circle or lines. Hands in the "V" hold or in the front basket-hold.

Figure 1

measure

- 1-16 Left LOD 8 Grapevine steps: cross R over left, step left, cross R behind L, step L
(energetic dancers can do leaps for the cross overs) ending with 3 steps in place: R L R
17-32 Right LOD repeat measures 1-8 opposite footwork

Figure 2

- 1-6 Facing center, in place rocking forward and back as follows:
- 3 times: step R forward (slightly across left), L in place, R back, L in place
7-9 In place, stamp R L R
10-18 Repeat measures 1-9 with opposite footwork

Repeat dance from beginning.