The Right To Remain Silent



Choreography:	Michele Burton
Description:	32 count, 4 wall, intermediate polka line dance
Music:	Doug Stone – The Right To Remain Silent
TRIPLE FORWARD, TRIPLE ¹ / ₄ LEFT, CROSS, ¹ / ₄ BACK, ¹ / ₂ TURN TRIPLE	
1&2 3&4	Step right forward, step left beside right, step right forward Step left forward beginning ¼ turn left, step right beside left, step left foot forward
	completing ¹ / ₄ turn (facing 9:00 wall)
5-6	Cross right over left, ¼ turn right stepping back on left foot
7&8	Turn ¼ right stepping right foot to right, step left beside right, ¼ turn right stepping right foot forward
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STEP TOUCH & HEEL & CROSS & HEEL & CROSS & (TURN) HEEL CLAP CLAP	
1-2	Step left forward, touch right behind left and clap
&3&4	Step back on right foot (toward right back diagonal), touch left heel to forward left diagonal, step left beside right, step right foot across left
&5&6	Step back on left foot (toward left back diagonal), touch right heel to forward right
0700	diagonal, step right beside left, step left foot across right
&7&8	Turn ¼ left, stepping back on right foot, touch left heel forward, clap 2 times (&8)
TRIPLE FORWARD, ½ TURN, ½ TURN, HIP HIP TAP STEP	
1&2	Step left foot forward, step right beside left, step left foot forward
3-4 5-6	Turn ½ left stepping back on right foot, turn ½ left stepping forward on left Step to right with hip push right, step left in place with hip push left
5-0 7-8	Tap ball of right in place with hip push right, step right foot in place centering weight
	onto right foot
CROSS BACK, TRIPLE LOCK BACK, ROCK STEP, STEP ½ PIVOT	
1-2	Cross left over right, step back on right
3&4	Step back on left, cross right over left, step back on left
5-6	Step back on right, return weight to left foot
7-8	Step forward right, 1/2 pivot left shifting weight to left foot

REPEAT

ENDING

The dance ends with the music on the step 1/2 pivot (counts 31-32, facing the 3:00 wall). Slowly turn 1/4 left on ball of left foot and lunge side right (now facing 12:00 wall - the front). Shrug shoulders slowly. Present arms (palms up, at body center) and separate out away from body as you say (with the song), "but Darlin', I was only havin' a good time."

The song "The Right To Remain Silent" has a 4 count tag. The dance is not phrased for the tag, but it works.

...taught and danced in Mitgaarden -

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