

WHAT A MERRY CHRISTMAS THIS COULD BE

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Music: George Strait – Album: Merry Christmas Stait to You – Available as a download from Walmart to iTunes
Footwork: Opposite, directions for man except as noted (W's in parentheses)
Rhythm: Two Step Phase: II + I [Fishtail] + 1 Unph [Traveling Scissors]
Sequence: INTRO A B A C A END Difficulty level: easy Speed: 48 or speed for comfort

INTRODUCTION

1 – 4 WAIT;; APT – PNT; SCP – TCH;

1-4 [LOP fc ptrn & wall] Wait;; Apt L,-, pnt R,-; Cl R,-, tch R,- blend to SCP;

PART A

1 – 4 2 FWD 2-STEPS [FC];; 2 TRNG 2-STEPS;;

1-4 Fwd L, cl R, fwd L,-; Fwd R, cl L, fwd R,- blend to CP; Sd L, cl R, bk & sd L pivot ½ RF,-; Sd R, cl L, fwd & sd pivot ½ RF,-;

5 – 8 TWIRL VINE 2; WALK & P/U; 2 FWD 2-STEPS;;

5-8 Release trlng hnds & raise lead hnds comm to twirl W RF under lead hnd sd L,-, XR IBO L,- (W fwd & sd R start RF twirl,-, bk & sd L complete twirl,-); Fwd L,-, fwd R picking up W,- now in CP M fc LOD; Fwd L, cl R, fwd L,-; Fwd R, cl L, fwd R,-;

9 – 12 TRAVELING SCISSORS [CK];;::

9-12 Sd L, cl R, XL IFO R,- now in SCAR pos fc DLW; Fwd R,-, L,-; Blend to CP sd R, cl L, XR IFO L,- now in BJO pos fc DLC; Fwd R,-, L,- ck action;

13 – 16 FISHTAIL; WALK & FC; SLO OPEN VINE 4;;

13-16 XL IBO R, small step sd R comp ¼ RF body trn, fwd L w/L shldr lead, XR IBO L; Fwd L,-, R,- blend to BFLY; Sd L,-, XR IBO L,-; Sd L, XR IFO L,- R,-; [1st time end CP – 2nd time end BFLY – 3rd time end SCP]

PART B

1 – 4 FULL BOX;; REV BOX;;

1-4 Sd L, cl R, fwd L,-; sd R, cl L, bk R,-; Sd L, cl R, bk L,-; Sd R, cl R, fwd R,-;

5 – 8 HITCH FWD; SCIS THRU; LACE OV & FWD;;

5-8 Fwd L, cl R, bk L,-; Sd R, cl L start ¼ LF trn, fwd R comp LF trn,- end OP fc LOD; Join lead hnds & pass bhd W sd & fwd L, cl R, fwd R,-; Fwd R, cl L, fwd R,- now in OP M on outsd & both fc LOD;

9 – 12 DOUB HITCH;; LACE BK & FWD;;

9-12 Fwd L, cl R, bk L,-; Bk R, cl L, fwd R,-; Join trlng hnds & pass bhd W Sd & fwd L, cl R, fwd L,-; Fwd R, cl L, fwd R,- now in OP M on insd & both fc LOD;

13 – 16 CIRC AWAY 2 2-STEPS;; STRUT TOG 4 [SCP];;

13-16 Release hnds & start LF (W RF) circ fwd L, cl R, fwd L,-; Fwd R, cl L, fwd R,- now both fc RLOD; Twd ptrn fwd L,-, R,-; Fwd L,-, R blend to SCP,-;

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REPEAT PART A [END IN BFLY]

PART C

1 – 4 VINE 3 & TCH; WRAP; UNWRAP; CHG SDS in 3 to OP RLOD;

1-4 Sd L, XR IBO L, sd L, tch R to L; Keeping both hnds jnd & lead W to wrap pos IP R, L, R,-; Still both hnds jnd & lead W to unwrap IP L, R, L,-; Release lead Hnds & raise trng hnds fwd L, R, L,- (W under trng hnds fwd R, L, R, -) end both fc RLOD in OP;

5 – 8 VINE APT & TCH; VINE TOG [BFLY]; B-BALL TRN [BFLY];:

5-8 Release hnds sd L, XR IBO L, sd L, tch R to L; Sd R, XL IBO R, sd L blend to BFLY,-; Sd L,-, rec R trng ¼ RF,- end OP both FC LOD; Sd & fwd L trng ¼ RF,- rec R trng to BFLY,- M fc COH;

9 – 12 VINE 3 & TCH; WRAP; UNWRAP; CHG SDS in 3 to OP LOD;

9-12 Repeat meas 1 – 4 of Part C start fc COH & end fc LOD in OP;;;

13 – 16 VINE APT & TCH; VINE TOG [BFLY]; B-BALL TRN [SCP];:

13-16 Repeat meas 5 – 8 of Part C start OP fc LOD & end in SCP fc LOD;;;

REPEAT PART A [END IN SCP]

ENDING

1 – 4 2 FWD 2-STEPS;; TWIRL VINE 2; APT & PNT;

1-4 Repeat meas 1 & 2 part A;; Repeat meas 5 of Part A; Apt L,-, pnt R,-;