

PATRONA

(Melenikibi, Macedonia)

This dance from the village of Melenikibi in East Macedonia near the town of Serres is a local form of Baiduska. Most Baiduskas in this area are like here, in a meter of 7/16. Melenikibi is an ethnic Macedonian village.

FORMATION: Open circle

RHYTHM: 7/16 (3 2 2) or (3 4)

METER: 7/16

PATTERN

Meas

- 1-3 Facing sl L of ctr, step R fwd RLOD over L (1); step L fwd (2). Repeat 2 more times.
- 4 Swing R up & fwd (1); pivoting to face sl R of ctr step R fwd LOD (2).
- 5-8 Repeat action of meas 1-4 with opp ftwk & direction.
- 9 Facing sl L of ctr, step R across in front of L (1); step bk onto L pivoting to face ctr (2).
- 10 Hopping on L, lift R up (1); pivoting to face sl R of ctr, step R fwd LOD (2).
- 11-12 Hopping on R lift L up & fwd (1); step L fwd in front of R (2); hopping on L, lift R up & fwd (1); step R fwd (2).
- 13-14 Repeat action of meas 9 & 10, opp ftwk & direction.

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