PRAVO SHOPSKO HORO Bulgaria

Line dance from the Shopluk region in West Bulgaria.

PRONUNCIATION: PRAH-voh SHUP-skoh HAW-ROW (or CHAW-ROW)

RECORD: BHA 10216 - Folk horos and Ruchenitsas, side B, band 3 and 6, or

BHA 10601 - Petko Radev, side B, band 6, or any other Pravo Shopsko

horo.

STYLE: Light, with small steps. Shoulders are very relaxed and bounce with

all the steps.

FORMATION: Mixed line, hands holding belts (za pojas or na golan), or hands

in V-pos if no belts used.

METER: 2/4			PATTERNS
Direction	Meas	Ct	INTRODUCTION: Start at the beg of any musical phrase.
			FIG. I
\longleftrightarrow	1	1 2	Walking step with R ft to R in LOD. Step L in LOD.
	2		Repeat meas 1.
	3	1 2	Step R, slightly bouncy, in plie. Lift L leg and bring fwd.
6	4		Same as meas 3 with opp ftwk.
$\rightarrow Q_{J}$	5	1 2	Step R in LOD, facing ctr. Pause.
\leftarrow	6	1 2	Step L sdwd to L. Step R in fr. of L.
	7	1 2	Balance L to L. Pause.
1	8	1 2	Balance R to R. Pause.
Q	9	1 2	Repeat meas 7 ct 1. Bring R ft in from knee twd L leg, slight nod with head, while turning to LOD.
\leftrightarrow	1-2:	17 }	FIG. II Repeat Fig I, meas 1-2.
	3.		Small 3-step in LOD (R,L,R), body slightly bent over. Small 3-step in LOD (L,R,L), bringing body upright.
\rightarrow 6	5	1 2	Leap onto R ft in plie, raising L knee, facing ctr. Stretch R leg, place heel of L ft close to toes of R ft.

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Direction	Meas Ct	
\leftarrow	6 1 2	Leap onto L ft to L, body facing ctr. " Leap on R ft in fr of L.
	7 1 2	Repeat meas 6 ct 1. Leap on R ft behind L.
NOTE:	6-7	Knees are lifted high, head is turned & looking to L.
占	8 1 2	Leap onto both ft together. Leap onto L ft, raise R knee, bend head and body over.
	9	3-step in place, R,L,R.
	10 П	3-step in place, L,R,L.
\leftarrow		FIG. III
	1-7 p	Repeat Fig II, meas 1-7
	8 8	• Hop on R, step on L behind R. Hop on L.
	9	Same as meas 8 with opp ftwk.
	10	Repeat meas 8 and end by bringing R leg in from knee twd L leg on last hop.
NOTE:	8-10	Travelling bkwd in RLOD, body is bent over from waist.

Since the phrases of the dance are not equally long as the phrases of the music, each leader of a line can start the dance at any first count of a musical phrase. The leader decides which variation is danced and for how long, and changes figures by waving a handkerchief or by calling.

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