

LOOSNEE SHOGHOV - MOON LIGHT

ARMENIA

SOURCE: Dance arranged to music by Tom Bozigian, Armenian Researcher and Choreographer, from selected step-patterns - movement vocabulary of the Region of Leninakan (Gumru), Soviet Armenia, in which area he did dance research during spring, 1974. Music and lyrics were written by Goosan (Minstrel) Ashot, born and reared in this very region located in the North-western part of the Republic.

RECORD: "Tom Bozigian Presents Songs and Dances of the Armenian People" Vol. 3, Side 2, Band 2.

FORMATION: Chain dance with leader (Baree Gulookh) at R end while little fingers grasp adjoining dancers at shldr. ht.

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MEASURE

PATTERN

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NOTE: Steps match musical phrasing although natives tend to begin dances at unpredictable points within the score.

- 1 - 2 Facing diag LOD do 2 two-steps (CT1-2)(CT1-2).
- 3 Turning to face diag RLOD step bkwd R as hands are lowered to side (CT1) step bkwd L (CT2)
- 4 Turning to face diag LOD step R ahead as hands return to shldr ht pos (CT1) touch L beside R (CT2)
- 5 Facing CTR step frwd L as hands clap chest level (CT1) pivot CW on L to face outside touching R beside L as hands lower to side (CT2)
- 6 Step frwd R as hands clap chest level (CT1) pivot CCW on R to face LOD touching L beside R as L hand is placed on lower BK and R hand is extended ahead with little fingers of adjoining dances once again grasped (CT2)
- 7 Moving RLOD step Bkwd on L (CT1) step Bkwd on R (CT2)
- 8 Step Bkwd L (CT1) touch R beside L (CT2)

*-Tom Bozigian*