## MADAMA DORÉ (Italy)

## Verse

- 1 How many beautiful girls, Madama Doré, how many lovely ladies?
- 2 What are you going to do with them, Madama Doré, what are you going to do with them?
- 3 I wish to marry them, Madama Doré, I wish to marry them.
- 4 Choose the one you like, Madama Doré, choose the one you like.
- 5 The most beautiful of all, Madama Doré, the most beautiful of all.
- 6 I wish to take her away, Madama Doré, I wish to take her away.



Steps

Walk or skip

**Opening Formation** 

Madama Doré stands at the end of the line. Her "children" form the rest of the line. Their hands are joined crisscross fashion with the dancer on either side. Two dancers are the "ambassadors" and stand about ten feet away facing Madama Doré and her children.

All sing the verse. As the song is sung each ambassador selects a dancer from Madama Doré's line and walks or skips the dancer over to his side. As they sing the verse, both lines skip toward and back from each other in rhythm. The music and singing are repeated over and over until Madama Doré is left with only one "child," the Ugly Duckling.





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