

Angelovata

(Bulgaria)

This is a dance for both men and women from Gorna Lipnitsa, Pavlikeni (North Bulgaria). The dance is performed either with instrumental or vocal accompaniment (see the song enclosed). No particular arrangement is followed (not man, woman, man, etc).

Pronunciation: AhN-geh-loh-vah-tah

Music: *From Bulgaria and Beyond* CD, Band 4 (instrumental); 7/8 meter (QQS)

Formation: Open circle; hands joined in W-pos, elbows bent.

Steps & Styling: Men dance with a rather characteristic “jumpy” style compared to women and particularly the squats which - depending on the mood - are performed in a variety of ways.

Meas Pattern

16 meas INTRODUCTION

I. FIGURE I

- 1 Facing ctr, step fwd on L ft, swinging body fwd (ct 1); pause (ct 2); hop on L (ct 3).
- 2 Facing ctr, step bkwd on R ft (ct 1); pause (ct 2); hop on R (ct 3).
- 3 Hop on R ft (ct 1); step on L to the left (ct 2); step on R to the right behind the L (ct 3).
- 4 Repeite meas. 2.
- 5 Step on L to the left (ct 1); pause (ct 2); hop on L, the body turns LOD (ct 3).
- 6 Step on R, facing LOD (ct.1); step on L, moving LOD (ct 2); step on R, moving LOD (ct.3).
- 7 Repeite meas 6, opp ftwrk.
- 8 Large step on R to the right facing centr. (ct 1); pause (ct 2); step on L ft behind R facing centr. (ct 3).
- 9 Step on R to the right (ct 1); pause (ct 2); hop on R (ct 3).

Hand movements

- 1-2 The arms, which are bent at the elbows, are brought forward with straightened elbows in front of the line of the body
- 3 Simultaneously with the hop on R, hands go bkwd (ct 1), move the hands frwd (ct.2&3).
- 4 As meas. 3.
- 5 Hands beside hips (ct 1); Move hands up with bent elbows (ct 2&3).
- 7-9 Hands joined in W-pos, elbows bent.

Angelovata—continued

Prochul se Angel Targovets

Prochul se, prochul se, prochul se Angel targovets

Prekupil, prekupil, prekupil Angel gadulki,

Gadulki, gadulki, gadulki, oshte kraleta.

Dano go, dano go, dano go lyubyat momite,

Momite, momite, momite po sedyankite,

I oshte, i oshte, i oshte po belyankite.

Short translation of the lyrics:

This song tell us the story of a merchant named Angel, who wants to buy all different kinds of musical instruments; to become famous, and to win maidens' respect and love.

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