

Absence

32 count, 2 wall, beginner/intermediate level
Choreographer: Jan Wyllie (Aus) April 2004
Choreographed to: The Minute You're Gone by Cliff
Richard (88 bpm)

Start On vocals, on word 'gone'

- Rock/Return, Hinge Rock/Return, Cross/Shuffle, Rock/Return &**
- 1,2 Rock/step R to right, Rock/return wt to L
3 (Keep L in place) Making 1/2 turn hinge step to the right rock/step R to right
4 Rock/return wt to L
5&6 Cross/shuffle to the left R,L,R
7,8 Rock/step L to left, Rock/return wt to R
& Step L beside R
- Rock/Return, Hinge Rock/Return, Cross/Shuffle Step 1/4, Step 1/4**
- 9,10 Rock/step R to right, Rock/return wt to L
11 (Keep L in place) Making 1/2 turn hinge step to the right rock/step R to right
12 Rock/return wt to L
13&14 Cross/shuffle to the left R,L,R
15,16 Making 1/4 turn right step back on L, Making 1/4 turn right step fwd on R
- Walk L,R, Syncopated Rock Fwd, Coaster Step, Step Pivot 1/4**
- 17,18 Walk fwd L,R
19&20 Bounce/step fwd on L, Rock back on R, Step back on L
21&22 Step back on R, Step L beside R, Step fwd on R (coaster)
23,24 Step fwd on L, Pivot 1/4 turn right transferring wt to R
- Rock Fwd Back, 1/2 Turn Shuffle, 1/2 Turn Shuffle 1/4 Turn Step Touch**
- 25,26 Rock/step fwd on L, Rock back on R
27&28 Making 1/2 turn left back over left shoulder shuffle fwd L,R,L
29&30 Making a further 1/2 turn left shuffle back R,L,R
31,32 Making 1/4 turn left take a bit step on L to left side, Slide R beside L

*The music slows at count 24 so after the 1/4 turn pivot just hold while he sings 'please don't stay away so long, the minute you're gone' continue the dance on the word 'gone'. You will finish on count 32 at the front wall.

This dance is short and sweet and flows really well.

The song by Cliff Richard is a golden oldie and if musical notes were material then this dance would be velvet! It's easy on the ear and although it is slow it still makes you want to dance..... well, it does for me anyhow.

Hope you enjoy this smooth flowing dance and that you get a buzz out of hearing the old song too. The words are just so true... When you care deeply for someone and they leave the room, or the house, or the earth, the whole atmosphere changes and something changes inside your heart until they come back. If they never come back then you are changed forever. Know what I mean?

See you on the floor sometime..... Jan