

BATYOVATA BULDUZKA

(Thrace, Bulgaria)

Source: Martin Koenig saw this dance performed by community members in the village of Yerusalimovo, Haskovo, Thrace in 1979.

Pronunciation: Bhat-yo-vah-tah Bull-duz-kah

Recording: Village Dances of the Balkans CD, Smoky Point Productions. Translation: Wife of My Eldest Brother.

Formation: Open circle, hands joined at shoulder height, arms bent at elbow. 2/4 meter

Note: 1. *Chukche* - Bulgarian word - hop that doesn't leave the ground
2. Arms swing down on meas 2 - cts 7-8; meas 3 - ct 1; arms swing up on meas 3 - cts 2-3-4.
3. It is not unusual in Bulgarian dance for the musical phrase and the dance phrase to be of different lengths.

<u>Meas</u>	<u>Ct.</u>	<u>Pattern</u>
1	1	Facing and moving LOD, stp on R
	2	Stp L
	3-6	Repeat cts 1-2
	7	Click R heel to L, facing ctr.
	8	Hold
2	1	Stp on L moving to Lft.
	2	<i>Chukche</i> on L.
	3	Stp on R, crossing in front of L,
	4	<i>Chukche</i> on R
	5-6	Repeat cts 1-2.
	7	Stp on R in frnt of L.
	8	Stp on L, behind R.
3	1	Stp on R next to L.
	2	Lift L ft.
	3	Stp on L in frnt of R.
	4	Stp on R behind L.
	5	Stp on L in place.
	6-7	Stmp on R next to L, stp on R
	8	Stp on L to shift weight.

Presented by Martin Koenig

