

The Italian Donkey

Count: 32

Wall: 2

Level: Easy Beginner

Choreographer: Celia Costa (USA) - November 2025

Music: Dominick the Donkey - Lou Monte

If not for the tag, this dance would be an **Absolute Beginner** and by omitting the tag, can be danced to many different songs.

1 Tag that happens each time dance ends at 6:00

Intro: 8 count heavy beat (2:31 second version)

Section 1: ROCKING CHAIR, JAZZ BOX

1,2,3,4 RF rocks forward, recover onto LF, RF rocks back, recover onto LF
5,6,7,8 RF crosses over LF, LF steps back, RF steps to R side, LF steps next to RF

Section 2: WALK FORWARD X4, STEP, 1/4 L, KICK RF, STEP

1,2,3,4 RF steps forward, LF steps forward, RF steps forward, LF steps forward
5,6,7,8 RF steps slightly forward, 1/4 turn to L, RF kicks forward, RF steps next to LF (9:00)

Section 3: VINE LEFT 1/4 TURN WITH BRUSH, TOE STRUTS X2

1,2,3,4 LF steps to L, RF steps behind LF, step onto LF making 1/4 turn L, brush ball of RF (6:00)
5,6,7,8 Touch R toe forward, drop heel, touch L toe forward, drop heel

Section 4: K-STEP

1,2 RF steps slightly forward on diagonal, LF touches next to RF
3,4 LF steps back in position, RF touches next to LF
5,6 RF steps slightly back on diagonal, LF touches next to RF
7,8 LF steps forward in position, RF touches next to LF

NOTE: Tag happens here each time dance ends at 6:00

TAG: HEEL, TOGETHER, HEEL, TOGETHER, HEEL, TOUCH (6:00)

1,2,3,4 R heel touches forward, RF steps next to LF, L heel touches forward, LF steps next to RF
5,6 R heel touches forward, R toe touches next to LF

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