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## Nightbird

32 Count, 4 Wall, Intermediate Choreographer: William Sevone (October 2008) Choreographed to: Queen Of The Night by Whitney Houston, The Bodyguard OST (106 bpm)

Dance starts on the word 'stuff' as in "I've got the stuff that you want" 5 secs into the drum intro.
Don't let the 'bpm' fool you - it's a fast moving dance.
Hitch 1/4 Bwd. Coaster. Hitch 1/2 Bwd. Coaster (9:00).
1-2 Hitch right knee \& start to turn $1 / 4$ right. Complete $1 / 4$ right \& step right backward (3).
3\& 4 Step left backward, step right next to left, step left forward.
5-6 Hitch right knee and start to turn $1 / 2$ right. Complete $1 / 2$ right \& step right backward (9).
7\& 8 Step left backward, step right next to left, step left forward.
5x 1/4 Shoulder Turn. Cross. Touch. Cross Shuffle (see RESTART note) (12:00)
9-10 Turning upper body/shoulders only - turn $1 / 4$ right. Turn $1 / 4$ left
11\& 12 Turning upper body/shoulders only - turn $1 / 4$ right, turn $1 / 4$ left, turn $1 / 4$ right.
Count 12: swivelling on feet - turn WHOLE body to face 12:00
13-14 Cross left over right. Touch right to right side.
15\& 16 Step right behind left, step left to left side, cross right over left.
RESTART: Walls 4, 7 and 9: after count 16 add -
\& Step left to left side' (in effect, an extended cross shuffle)
Diagonal Step. Side. Bending Body Roll. Touch. 1/4 Left Fwd (9:00)
17 - 18 Step left diagonally right. Start to bend knees whilst stepping right to right side.
19-20 Knees still bent - move body to centre. Leaning to left transfer weight to left.
21-22 Knees still bent - move body to centre. Leaning to right transfer weight to right.
23-24 Straightening up - touch left next to right. Turn $1 / 4$ left \& step forward onto left (9).
18-22: The movement is 'fluid' - roll into it. (Hands on knees for extra balance and visual effect)
High Hitch. Bwd. 3/4 Left. Behind. 3x Pendulum Touch. 1/4 Right Together-Fwd (3:00)
25-26 Hitch right knee high. Crossing right over left - step right backward.
$27-28$ Unwind $3 / 4$ left (weight on right) (12). Step left behind right.
29-30 Leaning left - touch right to right side. Leaning right - cross touch right over left
$31 \& 32$ Leaning left - touch right to right side, turning $1 / 4$ right - step right next to left, step left forward (3).
29-30: Pendulum action
RESTART: Walls 4, 7, 9 (after count 16)
FINISH: All the 12's: Wall 12 (incl restarts) Count 12 and facing 12:00

