## The Castle

64 Count, 2 Wall, Intermediate
Choreographer: Pat Stott (UK) March 2019
Choreographed to: Castle by Halsey
(The Huntsman: Winter's War Version)

Commence after 10 seconds on the first word "sick"

Lunge, recover, step back, hold, rock back, recover, close, hold
1-4 Lunge forward onto right foot (reaching forward with left hand), recover on left, step back on right, hold
5-8 Rock back on left, recover on right, close left to right, hold
Restart during wall 8 (facing 12 o'clock)

## Cucaracha to right then left

1-4 Rock right to right, recover on left, close right to left, hold
Styling The hip movement on steps 1-4 : slowly circle hips clockwise.
5-8 Rock left to left, recover on right, close left to right, hold
Styling Steps 5-8 : slowly circle hips anti-clockwise. This hip movement will create a figure 8.
Option If you wish to leave out the hips then dance 1-8 as side mambos)
Raise and kick, step down, rock behind, recover, raise and kick, step down, rock behind, recover
1 Raise up on ball of left and at the same time kick right foot slightly off the floor to right diagonal
2-4 Step down on right squaring body to 12 o'clock, step left behind right, recover on right
5 Raise up on ball of right and at the same kick left foot slightly off the floor
6-8 Step down on left squaring body to 12 o'clock, step right behind left, recover on left
Styling Optional: steps $1 \& 5$ arms softly out to sides leaning slightly back, pointing toe down on the kick.
Side, behind, $1 / 4$ turn right, step pivot $1 / 2$ right onto right, step forward onto left, full turn left (or 2 walks)
1-4 Right to right, left behind right, turn 1/4 right stepping forward on right, step forward on left
5-8 $\quad 1 / 2$ pivot right transferring weight to right, forward on left, turn $1 / 2$ left stepping back on right,
1/2 left stepping forward on left (or replace 7-8 with 2 walks forward)
Restart during wall 5 facing 12 o'clock
Step, slowly bring foot through, step, slowly bring foot through, step, slowly bring foot through, tap behind
1-2 Step forward on right, slowly bring left through hovering the foot just off the floor
3-4 Step forward on left, slowly bring right foot through hovering the foot just off the floor
5-6 Step forward on right, slowly bring left through hovering the foot just off the floor
7-8 Step forward on left, tap right foot behind right
Restart with step change during wall 2
Choreographers note delay the foot coming through and make sure you hover the foot off the floor before you step on to it. Slow motion walk

## Back, Sweep, back, sweep, behind, side, cross, hitch left knee next to right leg

1-4 Back on right, sweep left round, step back on left, sweep right round
5-8 Right behind left, left to left, cross right over left, hitch left leg next to right leg
Lunge to left with body turn, recover, hitch left to right, $1 / 4$ turn left Stepping forward on left, sweep right round over 2 beats, touch
1-2 Lunge left to left, turn body further round to left (body will be facing 6 o'clock)
3-4 Recover onto right (body squares back to 9 o'clock), hitch left next to right leg letting body turn slightly to right diagonal (prep for next step)
5 Turn 1/4 left stepping forward on left (6 o'clock)
6-7 Keeping weight on left sweep right foot round as you turn 1/2 left
8 Touch right next to left (12 o'clock)
Step, $1 / 2$ turn right, $1 / 2$ right, step, hold, $1 / 2$ left stepping back, close, hold
1-4 Step forward on right, $1 / 2$ right stepping back on left, $1 / 2$ turn right stepping forward on right, hold
5-8 Step forward on left, $1 / 2$ left stepping back on right, close left to right, hold (6 o'clock)
Option The full turn can be replaced by runs forward, hold)

## Restarts

During wall 2 : dance sections 1-5 but replace the tap behind with another hover through with right foot, restart facing 3 o'clock
During wall 5: dance sections 1-4 and restart facing 12 o'clock
During wall 8: dance section 1 and restart facing 12 o'clock
Ending At the end of the music you will be facing 12 o'clock finish the dance with 2 walks forward reaching right hand forward and hold in position for a dramatic finish!!

Note Although this is a 2 wall dance because of the restarts you will use all four walls.
To help you this is where each wall will start:
Wall 1: 12 o'clock
Wall 2: 6 o'clock (40 counts)
Wall 3: 3 o'clock
Wall 4: 9 o'clock
Wall 5: 3 o'clock (32 counts)
Wall 6: 12 o'clock
Wall 7: 6 o'clock
Wall 8: 12 o'clock (8 counts)
Wall 9: 12 o'clock
Wall 10: 6 o'clock
Wall 11: The ending facing 12 o'clock
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