

THE DURIAN RANT

A 32 bar reel for 3 couples in a four couple set, suitable for new dancers who have recently done reels.

1-4 1C and 2C dance *Pass Right Progression*. That is 1C and 2C dance forward and pass partner right shoulder (1 bar only) immediately turning to the right. The couples should not dance to the other side, but remain reasonably close. They then dance in the direction they are facing, men down and ladies up, turning right again and then right again back to own sides into progressed places.

(To wit: The men have the 2nd man leading, dance down to second place, turn right, dance to own side, turn right and then dance up the men's side, the finishing in order 2nd man at the top and first in second place; the ladies symmetrically, but starting upwards.)

5-8 2C and 1C dance four hands across finishing with 1C facing in and up.

9-16 1C dance a figure of eight on the sides around 2C and 3C, dancing RS around 2C above to begin, and finish facing ready for...

17-24 2C, 1C, 3C dances right shoulder reels of 3 on the side.

25 Taking hands on the side, all set right foot.

26-28 All circle 6 hands half way round to the left and retain hold of hands.

29 All set on the left foot.

30-32 All circle right half way.

Notes Devised 23/4/2019 for an upcoming midwinter dances based on an international theme. We have members from both Malaysia and from Singapore, but all are united in their love of food. (1-8 Look at the durian hawker stall to see if it looks edible. 9-16 looking at the other hawker stalls and finding some friends. 17-24 eating the durian with them. 25-32 celebrating.) For Prisilla, Moira, and Nancy our Sotheast Asian members. (We now also have Isabel.) Kristin and I lived in Singapore for several years.

Recommended music: "The Black Dance" and excellent recorded music is by George Sirrat and his Band in "7 Favourite Scottish Dances". Playing either ABAB or ABBA would be fine.