

Galopede

Source: This is one of many English dances that are simple, but have a happy spirit that makes them enjoyable.

Formation: Couples (about 6) in longways sets. Head of hall is R of W to start.

Pattern in brief: 1) Partners face. Lines advance FWD and BKWD, pass through. REPEAT.

2) Swing partners.

3) Head couples polka down center of sets.

REPEAT entire dance.

Measure	INTRODUCTION	Measure	PART 2
1-2	No movement	1-8	Partners step FWD, join both hands, and swing CW with a polka step.
	PART 1		PART 3
1-4	Face partner w/hands joined in lines. Walk FWD 3 steps, M/L, W/L; bow to partner on count 4. Walk BKWD 4 steps to place.	1-8	Head couple polka down center of set in shoulder-waist position to foot of set. Other couples clap hands and move one position up the set to repeat dance with new head couple.
5-8	Pass through. Release hands, and pass partner's R should to change places w/8 steps. Turn R to face partner on last step.		HINTS FOR LEARNING:
1-8	REPEAT measures 1-8 to return to original position.		You may use a skipping step instead of the polka for the two-hand swing and the polka down-the-center. You can learn this easy dance in a matter of minutes.