# The Gambler

Choreographer: Guy Dubé & Denis Henley

Count: 32

Wall: 4

Level: Beginner / Intermediate

Intro: 8 counts

Music: "The Gambler" by Kenny Rogers



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#### SYNCOPATED MONTEREY TURN RIGHT, SAILOR SHUFFLE TURN ¼ LEFT, 2X (SCOOT BACK WITH HITCH, STEP **BACK), COASTER STEP** 1&2

- Toe touch right to side, step right together left in turn ½ right, toe touch left to side
- 3&4 Cross left behind right in turn 1/4 left, step right on place, step left together right
- &5 With weight on left slide step left back with hitch knee right, step right back
- With weight on right slide step right back with hitch knee left, step left back &6
- 7&8 Step right back, step left together right, step right forward

Do the counts &5&6 in traveling back

#### KICK-BALL-TOUCH, HEEL JACK, TOGETHER, CROSS, STEP SIDE, CROSS, STEP SIDE, CROSS, HEEL JACK, **TOGETHER, CROSS**

- Kick left forward, step left lightly forward, cross toe right touch behind heel left 1&2
- &3 Step right to side, heel touch left forward diagonally to left
- &4 Step left together right, cross right over left
- Step left to side, cross right over left &5
- &6 Step left to side, cross right over left
- &7 Step left to side, heel touch right forward diagonally to right
- Step right together left, cross left over right &8

#### SCUFF, SCOOT, STEP SIDE, TOGETHER, STEP SIDE, ROCK BACK, STEP SIDE, SAILOR SHUFFLE IN TURN ¼ LEFT, **STEP FORWARD**

1&2 Scuff heel right forward diagonally to right, hitch knee right, step right to side &3 Step left together right, step right to side &4 Rock left back, recover to right Step left to side 5 6&7 Cross right behind left, turn 1/4 left and step left forward, step right forward 8 Step left forward

# 2X (KICK BALL POINT), CROSS, BACK TURN ¼ RIGHT, HEEL, STEP SIDE, CROSS, STEP SIDE, CROSS

Do the counts 1&2 et 3&4 in traveling lightly forward

- Kick right forward, step right lightly forward, toe touch left to side 1&2
- Kick left forward, step left lightly forward, toe touch right to side 3&4
- Cross right over left, turn ¼ right and step left back, heel touch right forward diagonally to right 5&6
- &7 Rapidly step right together left, cross left over right
- &8 Step right to side, cross left over right

## Repeat

#### TAG - At the end of the second wall (face to 6:00) do the tag 1 and restart the dance from the beginning **HEEL BALL CROSS**

1&2 Heel touch right forward diagonally to right, step right together left, cross left over right Tag

#### At the end of the 4th wall (face to 12:00) do the tag 2 and restart the dance from the beginning HEEL BALL CROSS, TOUCH AND TOUCH, SAILOR SHUFFLE IN TURN ¼ LEFT

- Heel touch right forward diagonally to right, step right together left, cross left over right 1&2 Toe touch right to side, step right together left, toe touch left to side 3&4
- 5&6 Cross left behind right in turn 1/4 left, step right on place, step left together right

