

## DANCING FACING DIAMONDS

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his month we will look at FACING DIAMONDS. We normally use "trailing diamonds" in our choreography, but you can do a lot with facing diamonds. One easy way to set up a facing diamond is, from either a right or left hand ocean wave have the centers Hinge. To Diamond Circulate from a facing diamond be sure the dancers keep their same shoulder toward the center of the diamond. If the centers of the diamond are in a right hand mini wave a Flip the Diamond will end in a right hand two faced line and a Cut The Diamond will end in a right hand ocean wave. If the centers are in a left hand mini wave a Flip The Diamond will end in a left hand two-faced line and a Cut The Diamond will end in a left hand ocean wave.

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DEFINITION: Diamond Circulate - Starting formation - Any diamond. Each dancer moves forward to the next position in his diamond, changing his original facing direction 1/4 toward the center of the diamond. Points become centers, and vice versa. If the call is directed to facing diamonds, all must pass right shoulders.

Cut The Diamond - Starting formation - Any diamond. The centers of the diamond do a Diamond Circulate, while the points slide together and Trade.

Flip The Diamond - Starting formation - Any diamond. The centers of the diamond do a Diamond Circulate, while the points Run (Flip) into the nearest center position and join hands to become the centers of the forming wave or line. When Flipping facing diamonds, the points always take the inside path and the centers take the outside path.

Choreography follows:

ZERO LINES... PASS THE OCEAN... GIRLS HINGE... Facing DIAMOND CIRCULATE... Facing diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... RECYCLE... SQUARE THRU 3/4... LEFT ALLEMANDE.

ZERO LINES... PASS THRU... TAG THE LINE... FACE IN... PASS THE OCEAN... BOYS HINGE... Facing DIAMOND CIRCULATE... Facing diamonds FLIP THE DIAMOND... BOYS TRADE... WHEEL AND DEAL... SQUARE THRU, BUT ON THE 3rd HAND, RIGHT AND LEFT GRAND.

ZERO LINES... RIGHT AND LEFT THRU... DIXIE STYLE TO A WAVE... BOYS HINGE... Facing diamond CIRCULATE... Facing diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... TRADE THE WAVE... RECYCLE... SWING THRU... RIGHT AND LEFT GRAND.

ZERO LINES... RIGHT AND LEFT THRU... DIXIE STYLE TO A WAVE... BOYS TRADE... LEFT SWING THRU... ALL 8 CIRCULATE... GIRLS HINGE... Facing DIAMOND CIRCULATE... Facing diamonds FLIP THE DIAMOND... FERRIS WHEEL... Centers PASS THRU... RIGHT AND LEFT GRAND.

ZERO BOX... SWING THRU... GIRLS FOLD... PEEL THE TOP... GIRLS HINGE... Facing point to point DIAMOND CIRCULATE... Facing point to point diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... RECYCLE... SLIDE THRU... LEFT ALLEMANDE.

ZERO BOX... PASS THE OCEAN... BOYS FOLD... PEEL THE TOP... BOYS HINGE... Facing point to point diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... RECYCLE... LEFT SQUARE THRU 3/4... RIGHT AND LEFT GRAND.

ZERO LINES... PASS THE OCEAN... TRADE THE WAVE... BOYS HINGE... Facing DIAMOND CIRCULATE... GIRLS TRADE THE WAVE... FLIP THE DIAMOND... BOYS HINGE... Facing diamond FLIP THE DIAMOND... COUPLES CIRCULATE... WHEEL AND DEAL...SQUARE THRU, BUT ON THE 3rd HAND, RIGHT AND LEFT GRAND.

## **MORE DIAMONDS**

ZERO BOX... FAN THE TOP... SPIN THE TOP... SCOOT BACK... GIRLS HINGE... VERY CENTERS TRADE... Facing diamond FLIP THE DIAMOND... FERRIS WHEEL... Centers PASS THRU... SWING THRU... RIGHT AND LEFT GRAND.

ZERO BOX... SWING THRU... BOYS RUN... 1/2 TAG... CENTERS HINGE...  
Facing DIAMOND CIRCULA TE... VERY CENTERS TRADE...  
Facing diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... SPLIT CIRCULATE... ACEY DEUCEY...  
BOYS RUN... WHEEL AND DEAL... LEFT ALLEMANDE.

ZERO BOX... TOUCH 1/4... FOLLOW YOUR NEIGHBOR... LEFT SWING THRU... SCOOT BACK... BOYS CAST OFF 3/4... VERY CENTERS TRADE...  
Facing diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... RELAY THE DEUCEY... RECYCLE...  
PASS THRU... LEFT ALLEMANDE.

HEADS PASS THE OCEAN... PING PONG CIRCULATE... EXTEND... GIRLS HINGE... Facing DIAMOND CIRCULA TE... BOYS SWING THRU...  
Facing diamonds FLIP THE DIAMOND... GIRLS TRADE... COUPLES CIRCULATE... 1/2 TAG... FACE RIGHT... RIGHT AND LEFT GRAND.

ZERO LINES... PASS THE OCEAN... SPIN CHAIN AND EXCHANGE THE GEARS... GIRLS HINGE...  
Facing DIAMOND CIRCULA TE... BOYS SWING THRU...  
Facing diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... SWING THRU... ACEY DEUCEY... BOYS RUN... BEND THE LINE... STAR THRU... PASS THRU... TRADE BY... LEFT ALLEMANDE.

ZERO BOX... TOUCH 1/4... CENTERS HINGE... Facing DIAMOND CIRCULA TE... CENTERS SWING THRU... Facing DIAMOND CIRCULA TE...  
CENTERS TRADE THE WAVE... FLIP THE DIAMOND... BOYS RUN... SLIDE THRU... SQUARE THRU, BUT ON THE 3rd HAND, RIGHT AND LEFT GRAND.

HEADS STAR THRU... DOUBLE PASS THRU... TRACK TWO... GIRLS HINGE...  
Facing DIAMOND CIRCULA TE... BOYS SWING THRU...  
Facing diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... RECYCLE... SQUARE THRU 3/4...  
LEFT ALLEMANDE.

Singing call figures:

HEADS SQUARE THRU 4... DO SA DO... TOUCH 1/4...  
FOLLOW YOUR NEIGHBOR AND SPREAD... GIRLS HINGE...

Facing DIAMOND CIRCULA TE... Facing diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... RECYCLE... SWING CORNER...  
PROMENADE.

HEADS SQUARE THRU 4... PASS THE OCEAN... GIRLS HINGE...

Facing DIAMOND CIRCULA TE... Facing diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... RECYCLE... PASS THRU... CHASE  
RIGHT... SWING CORNER... PROMENADE.

HEADS LEAD RIGHT... CIRCLE TO A LINE... FORWARD AND BACK...

PASS the OCEAN... HINGE... FOLLOW YOUR NEIGHBOR AND SPREAD...  
GIRLS HINGE... Facing diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... GIRLS CIRCULATE...  
BOYS... U-TURN BACK... PROMENADE.

HEADS SQUARE THRU 4... TOUCH 1/4... FOLLOW YOUR NEIGHBOR...

LEFT SWING THRU... SCOOT BACK... BOYS HINGE...  
Facing diamonds CUT THE DIAMOND... RECYCLE... SWING CORNER... PROMENADE.

