

The Sailor's Wife

Devised by John Drewry in 1982

32 Bar Jig for 2 couples

- 1-8 1st couple lead down the middle for 2 bars, turn half way moving down the set, lead up and divide to dance up behind the 2nd couple to end in 1st place on opposite sides
- 9-16 1st and 2nd couples set and turn partner half way and circle almost once round to end: 2nd woman in the middle in 2nd place facing down, 1st woman in the middle in 1st place facing down with her partner on her RIGHT and 2nd man on her LEFT
- 17-24 all dance down the middle, on Bar 20, the women turn RIGHT about to face up and the men turn inwards to face up, 1st couple retain nearer hands as they turn up, 1st woman crosses her LEFT hand under her RIGHT to join with 2nd man's RIGHT hand, the men take free hands to form an arch as in "Triumph" then all dance up the middle to end: 1st woman at the top in the middle having turned RIGHT about, 1st man out to his side, 2nd man to ladies' side, 2nd woman in the middle facing up all forming a diamond
- 25-32 all set and dance RIGHT hands across for 2 bars putting the 2nd couple in top place, the 1st couple continue with a RIGHT hand turn 1 ½ times to own side.