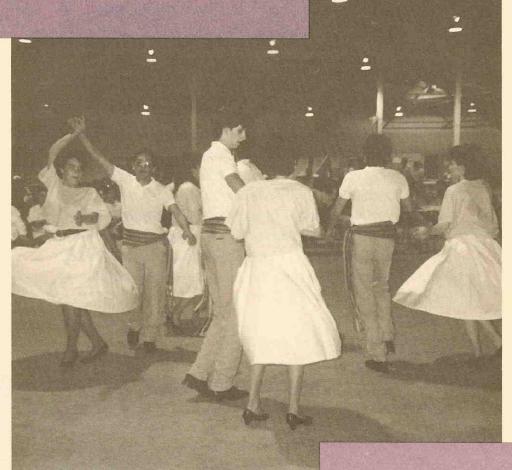


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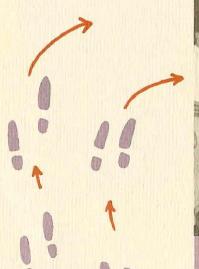


An instructional video program

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The programme is 21 minutes long and is designed to instruct on the **basic steps** of the Metis dances. It also includes a series of **fancy jig steps** and a brief presentation of several dance formations such as the **Grand Chain**.

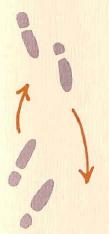
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The dances and steps are introduced in the following order:

Dance	Steps	Background
1. Duck Dance	2. First Step 3. Second Step 4. Third Step	Dark Blue Burgundy Bright Red Green
5. Fancy Jig	6. Jumping Jack 7. Bunny Step 8. Heel Step 9. Double Jig Step 10. Chi Galop 11. Cross Step 12. Side Gallop	Bright Blue
13. Rabbit Dance		Burgundy



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