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Beads dance couples

By: Fred

If you have visit my dance exhibition <http://www.xs4all.nl/~fghb/tentoonstelling/> you could have seen a lot of dance couples made of beads. In this article I explain how to make them yourself. Two of the dance couples in this article are not shown at my exhibition. I have made them especially for this magazine.

The Hama beads that I use are made to melt them together by using a flat-iron. You can buy them in a toy shop. Ironing the beads is easy and it takes not much time. It is more difficult to design your own patterns. Little patterns are often difficult, because in that case one bead makes a lot of different.

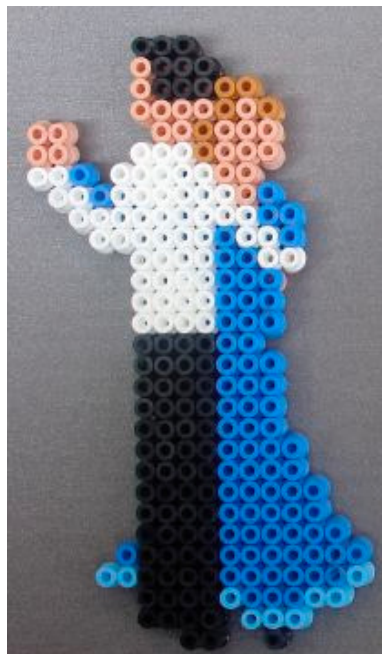


If you have designed a pattern, you must place the beads mirrored on the pegboard (see photo). The ironing side will be the back of your design, so if you don't mirror it, the dance hold will be wrong. Place an ironing paper on the beads and set the iron to the cotton setting. It is a good idea first to make a test ironing of a small bead design, because the temperature may vary from iron to iron. Make circular movements

when ironing. After a short period, the color of the beads will suddenly be more clearly visible through the ironing paper which means your design is ready. Remove the paper carefully and let your design cool for a couple of minutes. Carefully remove the cooled design from the pegboard and press it under a book until it is completely cooled off.

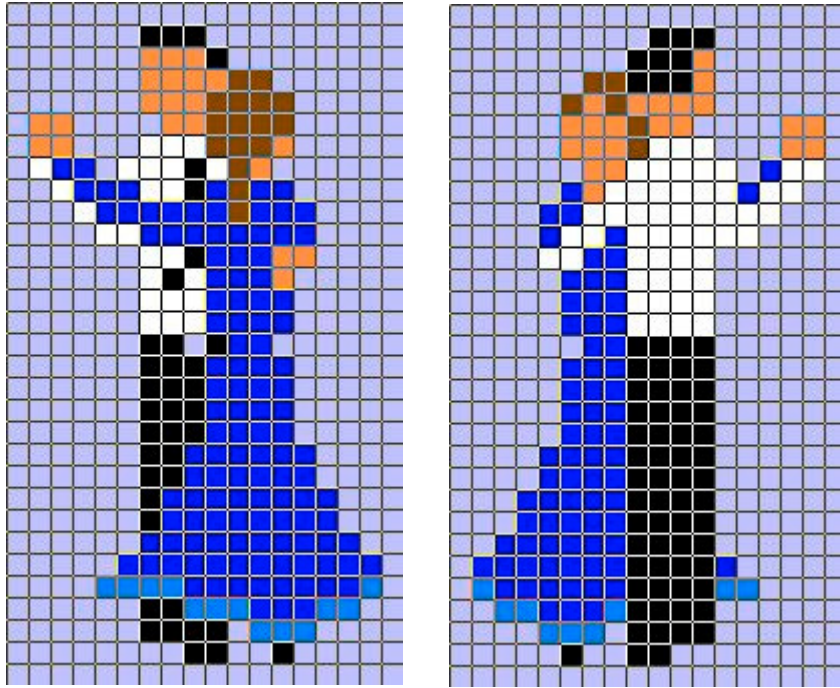
You can start immediately, because here are some dance couples that I have designed.

Dance couple 1



As you can see I have made two different sides that fit exactly on each other. Now you can make a mobile that look good at both sides. If you want to hang it on the wall, you only have to make one side. On the next page you can see the mirrored design of this dance couple so that it is easy for you to make.

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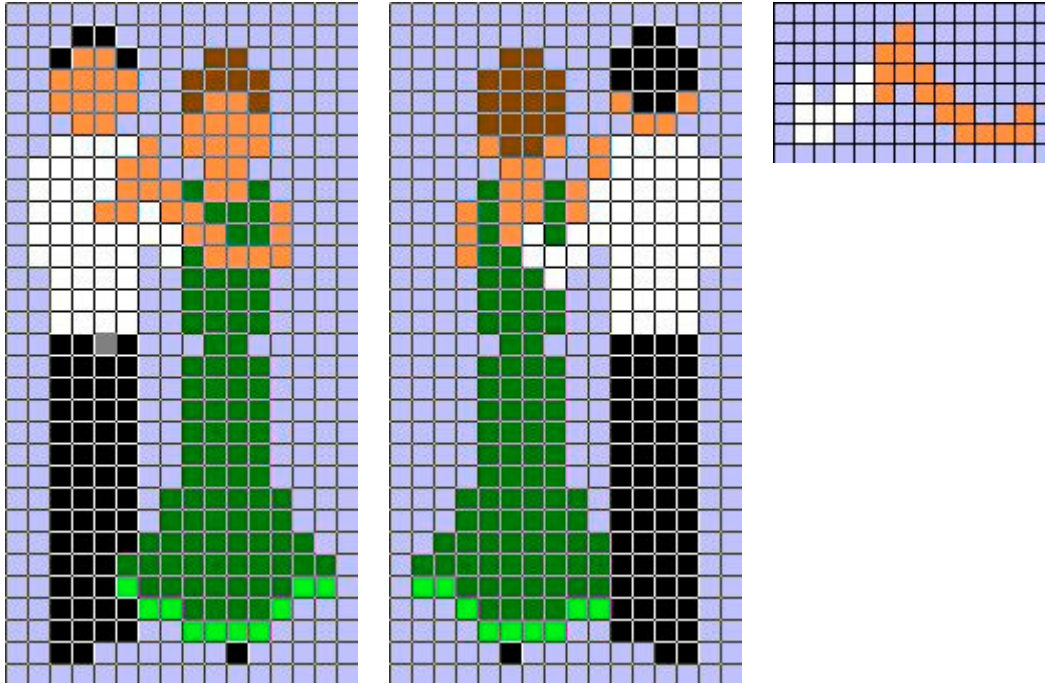
If you have made two sides, you can stick the ironed sides together by using double sided sticky tape. It is even better to sew them together through the holes in the beads.

Dance couple 2



This dance couple stands in a promenade position. To make this look good, I had to make three layers. You can find the mirrored design on the next page.

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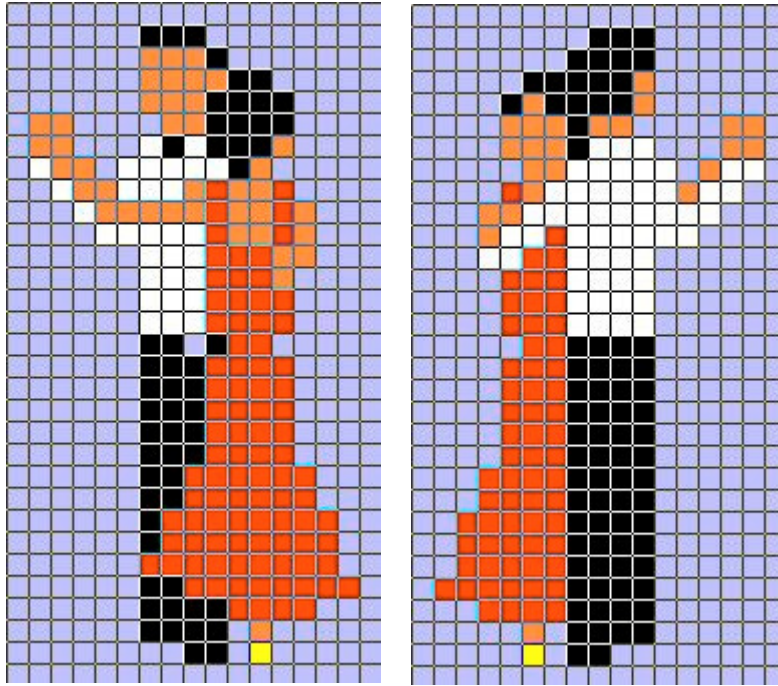
This is almost 3D. Try to make a real 3D dance couple.

Dance couple 3



This is a variation on dance couple 1. By making several easy modifications, you can create a dance couple that looks completely different. A bow tie instead of a tie, a shorter dress without sleeves, other colors etc. Try to do that yourself and mail a photo to fgfb@xs4all.nl You can find the mirrored design of this dance couple on the next page.

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Tip: If you have forgotten to mirror your own design, you can do this by placing a pegboard on the beads (the beads are now between two boards), carefully turn everything upside down and remove the other pegboard.

Links

Hama

<http://www.hama.dk>

Perler Beads

<http://www.perlerbeads.com/>

Strijkkralen

<http://www.strijkkralen.nl/>

Patronen

<http://www.beadmerrily.com/designgallery.htm>

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Ballroom dance music titles

By: Fred

I thought it would be nice to make a list of all kinds of danceable music. You can see some famous songs, but also songs where you have probably never heard of. The number indicates the tempo in bars per minute.

Slow waltz

- 27 Barry Manilow - Weekend in New England
- 29 Corry Konings - Rozen die bloeien
- 29 Patti Page - Tennessee waltz
- 30 Eagles - Take it to the limit
- 30 Elvis Costello - Congratulations
- 30 Mieke – Zondagskind
- 31 Mieke - Een kind zonder moeder
- 32 Elvis Costello & The Attractions - Too far gone
- 33 Spargo - Goodbye

Tango

- 30 Dalbello – Tango
- 31 Havenzangers - Oh heideroosje
- 31 The Rubettes - Little darling
- 33 De Kermisklanten - Zigeuner tango

Slowfox

- 27 Lyle Lovett - You've got a friend in me
- 28 Elvis Costello - Brilliant disguise
- 29 Hepie & Hepie Ik lig op m'n kussen stil te dromen
- 30 Jerry Lee Lewis - Your cheatin' heart
- 30 Joe Dolce - Shaddap You Face
- 30 Sheena Easton - Morning train (Nine to five)
- 31 Mieke - Ga je met me mee

Quickstep

- 45 Creedence Clearwater Revival - Bad moon rising
- 46 Mieke - De lakens van m'n bed
- 47 Wax - Right between the eyes
- 48 Nick Mackenzie - Hello good morning
- 48 Shakin' Stevens - This ole house
- 49 Soul Sister - The way to your heart
- 50 Albert Hammond - I'm a train
- 50 Golden Earring - Radar love
- 51 Dolly Parton - 9 to 5
- 51 Nico Haak & De Paniekzaaiers - Foxie Foxtrot
- 52 Cheap Trick - I want you to want me
- 52 Stevie Wonder - Sir duke
- 53 De Vrolijke Vagebonden – Sophietje

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Viennese waltz

- 48 Henk Wijngaard - Sneeuwwitte bruidsjurk
- 54 BZN - Waltzing Maria
- 56 Peter Blanker - 't Is moeilijk bescheiden te blijven

Cha Cha Cha

- 29 Wham - Everything she wants
- 30 Linda Ronstadt - It's so easy
- 31 John Travolta & Olivia Newton-John - Summer nights
- 31 Lobo - Caribbean Disco Show
- 31 Rolling Stones - Start me up
- 31 Steely Dan - Do it again
- 32 ABBA - Summer night city
- 32 Billy Joel - Uptown girl
- 32 Raymond Van 't Groenewoud - Cha Cha Cha
- 33 Brother Beyond - The harder I try
- 33 Elton John & Kiki Dee - Don't go breaking my heart
- 33 Eurythmics - Would I lie to you
- 33 Wham - Im your man

Rumba

- 23 Debarge - All this love
- 24 Elvis Costello - Good year for the roses
- 24 Linda Ronstadt - Blue bayou
- 24 Lionel Richie - Penny lover
- 24 Mieke - M'n beste vriendin
- 25 Human League – Human
- 26 Charlie Rich - The most beautiful girl
- 26 Chris Rea - Fool (If you think it's over)
- 26 Temptations - My girl
- 27 Darts - It's raining
- 27 Eagles - New kid in town
- 28 Chris Isaak - Wicked game
- 28 Tina Turner - Private dancer

Samba

- 48 Maywood - Rio
- 49 Love Unlimited Orchestra - Love's theme
- 51 Juanes - Para ser eterno
- 53 Hues Corporation - Rock the boat
- 54 Miquel Brown - Close to perfection
- 55 KC & the Sunshine Band - Keep it comin' love
- 55 Talking Heads - Slippery people
- 57 Kabouter Plop – Kabouterdans
- 58 Barry Manilow – Copacabana

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Paso Doble

65 Zangeres Zonder Naam – Mexico

Jive

30 Madonna - True Blue

31 Shakin Stevens - Cry just a little bit

31 Status Quo - Roll over lay down

32 Lou Rawls & Dianne Reeves - Fine brown frame

33 Pointer Sisters - Should I do it

34 Spargo - So funny

35 Boz Scaggs - Lido Shuffle

36 Abba – Waterloo

36 Loggins & Messina - Your mama don't dance

36 Soft Cell - Tainted love

37 Darts - Come back my love

37 Darts - The boy from New York city

37 Jim Croce - Bad bad Leroy Brown

40 Diana Ross & The Supremes - Why do fools fall in love

40 Jerry Lee Lewis - End of the road

41 Fine Young Cannibals - Good thing

41 Racey - Runaround Sue

42 Jackie Wilson - Reet Petite

43 Jerry Lee Lewis - Great balls of fire

44 Bucks Fizz - Making your mind up

44 Stevie Wonder - Part-time lover

45 Stray Cats - Runaway Boys

Look on my site for more titles.

<http://www.xs4all.nl/~fghb/0501.htm>

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Siebrand World Latin Trophy 2005 (Scheveningen, Holland)

By: DanceWay.com Team

In the dancing world, apart from the traditional competitions couples attend at their own cost, there are invitational competitions paid by the organizer. This competition is one of the veterans in the invitational world. It's been around for about 20 years and many of the greats of the competitive dance scene such as Marcus and Karen Hilton have attended this event. The actual event traditionally takes place in the best hotel of The Hague, Scheveningen. People from all over Europe come to this vacation spot on the coast of the North Sea. Surely a beautifully organized dance event with top couples from around the world is something people enjoy seeing apart from all of the other activities available in the famous city of The Hague with a population of about 800 000.

Even with its small size the floor was perfect, considering that there were never more than 5 couples on it at the same time. It was a very cozy atmosphere with the 2nd story balconies visible while dancing, and people sitting quite closely around the floor. Out of the 10 invited couples the prestigious panel of adjudicators had to distribute 5 couples into the Grand final, and 5 into the Rising star final. It was an interesting approach to the traditional semi-final, final system. Instead of after the semi-final the dancers who didn't make it having to stop and jealously watch the finalists finish the last 5 dances of their competition the organizers spiced things up by allowing the audience to enjoy the couples again, and for the dancers to get another chance to show their skill and try and put out a better performance.

After the end of the dancing part of the event the participants were treated to 5* buffet where they could socialize and continue the night in which ever way they wanted to.

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Dancing Poem

By: DanceWay.com Team

Dancing

Dancing is a way of life,
Dancing is contagious.

Dancing is oh such a hype,
Some would say outrageous.

Dancing is meeting a friend,
Sometimes with you forever.

Dancing is a cool new trend,
For those who can be clever.

Dancing is to open up,
To let loose all your feelings.

Dancing is to get lit up,
And jump up to the ceiling.

Dancing can be lot's of fun,
So come into our world.

Imagine your life's just begun,
Let the emotions whirl.

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Comic



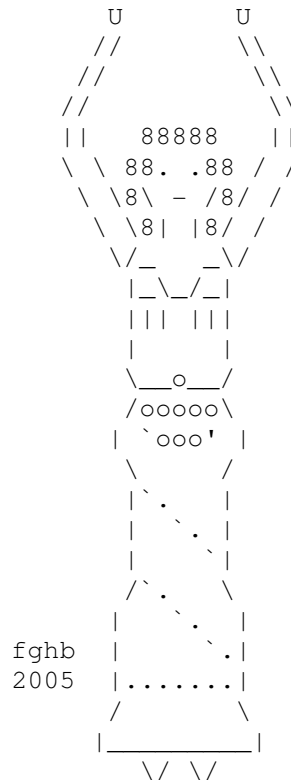
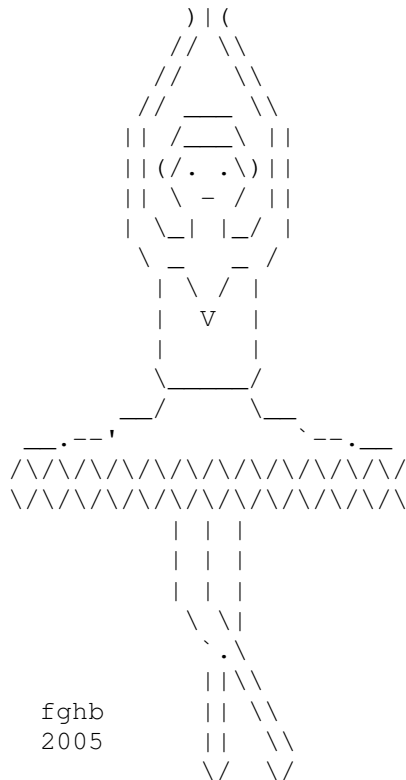
Late at night after they close, some of the guys at Marvin's try tap dancing....

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Ascii dancers

By: Fred

In the dance magazines 61, 63, 65 and 67 you could have seen that you can draw nice dancers with the characters that are on your keyboard. I have made some more drawings. Draw your own dancers and send them to fghb@xs4all.nl



Ballet

Belly dancing

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Elvis Crespo

By: Fred

Some time ago, I have bought the cd Suavemente of Elvis Crespo. There is a lot of good Merengue music on this cd. Most Merengue music that I know is quite fast, but the tempo of the music on this cd is lower. Therefore, this cd is also very suitable for practising new Merengue variations.



Elvis Crespo
Suavemente

Dances: Merengue

Price: 9,99 euro

1 ...Suavemente.....	Merengue.....	62
2 ...Nuestra Cancion.....	Merengue.....	63
3 ...Luna Llena.....	Merengue.....	61
4 ...Me Arrepiento.....	Merengue.....	62
5 ...Princesita.....	Merengue.....	62
6 ...Tu Sonrisa.....	Merengue.....	64
7 ...Yo Me Morire.....	Merengue.....	64
8 ...Llorando.....	Merengue.....	64
9 ...¿Porque?.....	Merengue.....	70
10 ...Te Vas.....	Rumba.....	29 (fast)

Links

<http://www.elviscrespo.net/>

http://www.musicofpuertorico.com/en/elvis_crespo.html

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IDSF Open Latin and Standard (Marseille, France)

By: DanceWay.com Team

This weekend took place a wonderful dance event in Marseille. To my view it is the 2nd biggest competition on France, the biggest being a bit earlier in the year in Paris. Marseille is a city where the French and Italian cultures intercept. The housing and the general infrastructure of the city are similar to those in Italy. Obviously because Marseille is very close to Italy.

The people there like to have a chat or a dispute over something with a touch of arrogance. Certainly an issue with English language is present, as it is in Italy and all of the Hispanic European countries. For a tourist it's essential to have knowledge of the language in this area, or at least have a dictionary to show the words. The highlights of the normal city life are definitely the shops of delicate pastry and the restaurants near the water that are open at specific times in the day for lunch and dinner.

Lot's of space are the words that would characterize the Sports Palace of Marseille. Bright lighting was also great at the big dance hall where the competition was held. The couples were predominantly from France, Italy and Spain. The judging was unfortunate because the panel was a bit too national. This made the results a bit strange to some dance experts. The most interesting battle of the evening was in the Adult Standard category where the Polish Champions Wiktor Kiszka and his partner after putting on a strong, stable and assured performance won over a much higher Slovenian Champion couple Domen Krapez and his partner. The Slovenians definitely had a much better result in the past, being semi-finalists in Blackpool and all of the other top events in our business. The Poles on the other hand still danced in the Rising Stars categories at many events, which means they weren't rated as the top 24 for those events. It was a very deserved success for Poland.

Next year get equipped with a dictionary, bring money for pastries and come to France!

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Snow dance couple

By: Fred

On 2 March it suddenly snowed a lot in The Netherlands. This doesn't happen often, so I decided to make a snow dance couple. It was a little difficult to make the arms. I had to put slats in it to make it strong. As you can see, the dance couple stands in a promenade position.



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Nice links

By: Fred

Benelux kampioenschap Formatiedansen

<http://users.telenet.be/Radriaenssens/FOTOALBUM/INDEX.htm>

Photographs of formation dancing

Nipbuggarna

<http://www.nipbuggarna.net>

Boogie Woogie video clips

The Linedancers

<http://www.the-linedancers.nl/>

Site about line-dancing

Danceway

<http://www.danceway.com>

Dance links, articles, interviews etc.

Vadim and Kathrin

<http://www.benom.com>

<http://www.onlinevadim.com>

Strictly Dance Fever

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/strictlydancefever/>

Television program about dancing

Danskleding

<http://www.danskleding.net/>

Sell or buy dance clothes

Tiny's Creation

<http://www.tinyscreation.nl/>

She makes dance clothes and dance sculptures