

As it is sometimes called Ondo of Merchants, the choreography in Goshu Ondo reflects the way Omi Merchants went on the road to do businesses. Usually you make a big circle around the tower, and advance in a left-handed rotation. So, please decide the advance direction, and let's dance!

Let's dance to Goshu Ondo!

江州音頭の基本的な踊り方

商い音頭といわれ、近江商人の行商の姿などが踊りに振付けられているようです。まず、進行方向をきめて、^襷を中心^に輪になり通常は左回り時計の逆回りになります。

Hand Movements
手の振り

Foot Movements
足の運び

1

右手肩の高さ、左手をかざします。

Hold right hand forward at shoulder level, and raise left hand above your head.



1

(右足を一步前に)左を向きます。『右の品物如何ですか?』

Put right foot forward, and twist your body to the left (while your left hand is held up) - meaning "Would you like this one on the right?"

2

左手肩の高さ、右手をかざします。

Hold left hand forward at shoulder level, and raise right hand above your head.



2

(左足を前に二歩目)右を向いて『左の品物どうですか?』

Return right foot, put left foot forward, and twist your body to the right (while your right hand is held up) - meaning "Or would you like this one on the left?"

3

左手をかざして、右手は後ろ斜め下にかざします。

Hold up left hand above your head again, and swing down right hand until it extends behind you.



3

(そのまま右足を少し後ろに引きます)身体は右向き顔は後ろを向いて『後ろにも品物あります』

Return left foot, place right foot to the back, turn your body to the right, and look back (while your right hand extends backward) - "Here is another one in my back if you'd like."

4

両手を一旦後ろから前に出します。

Bring both hands down to your side, and swing them to the back and to the front.



4

(左足を引いて右足に揃えて右足を踏みかえる)進行方向を向きます。『荷車で出発準備』

Pull left foot back even with to right foot, kick right heel to the back, and return it to the ground. Turn you body to the advance direction - "I am ready to proceed with my cart."

5

両手を自然に戻します。

Return both hands down to your side (while you advance two steps.)



5

(左、右と進む)進行方向へ二歩進みます。『荷車でお届けに上がります』

Advance two steps forward (left foot, then right foot) - "I'm coming to you for delivery."

踊り方の足の運びの基本は、1~6の通りですが、それぞれ2ステップで踊ると、リズムが取りやすく踊り良いと思います。

6

足が揃ったところで左を向いて手を『ポン』とたたきます。

Clap your hands once.



6

(左足を右足に揃える)左向きに止まって手を一度打ちます。『お買い上げありがとうございます、儲けさせて頂きおおきに!』

Put both feet together and turn to the center of the circle (then clap your hands once) - "Thank you for your purchase! I appreciate you helping my business." ...Omi Merchants never forget to be grateful!

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これをくり返します。だんだん慣れてきたら、手の振りなどを少しづつアレンジしてみましょう。

Repeat this over and over. As you get accustomed to the basic moves, you can arrange them and create your own style!