

## The Noble Duke of York

**Formation: Longways whole set**  
**5 or 6 couples in a line facing partner**  
**About 6 feet apart**

- Verse 1    Oh the noble duke of York  
              He had ten thousand men  
              He marched them up to the top of the hill  
              And he marched them down again
- Verse 2    And when they were up, they were up  
              And when they were down, they were down  
              And when they were only halfway up  
              They were neither up nor down
- Verse 3    Oh, a-hunting we will go,  
              A-hunting we will go,  
              We'll catch a fox and put him in a box,  
              And then we'll let him go.
- Top couple walk down** the middle (hold inside hand) turn back (singly) on the word "*men*" -8 beats  
**Come back up** the middle to home place -8 beats
- Same couple** hold two hands and skip (**swing**), cw as they go **down the middle** to the bottom.  
*N.B. swinging ccw is called, "widdershins" and is bad luck*  
**Cpl. 1** make an **arch** at the bottom
- All others cross hands as in a promenade and **cast off** as a couple **to the left** down to the bottom. (skipping)  
under the arch then up to new places