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'Ukulele Basics

What type of 'ukulele should I purchase for myself?

There are four sizes of 'ukulele - baritone, tenor, concert, and soprano with baritone being the largest. I like the tenor size best for adults because of the overall playability and quality of sound.

The best sounding tenor 'ukulele for under \$100
is the Kala MK-T Makala or Lanikai LU21-T tenor.

Strings?

I use low-G tenor strings on my 'ukulele. The best, in my opinion, Hilo low-G. Kamaka and Aquila also make quality strings, with Aquila having a brighter sound. For picking 'ukulele solos, low-G sets are best.

Tenor, Concert, Soprano tuning - G C E A
Baritone - D G B E

Tuner?

I like the Snark ST-8 "Super Tight" Clip-On Tuner. Chromatic tuners are best as you can use them on all instruments including guitars and bass.

Case?

A must, to protect your investment. At the very least, a soft-padded case, for better quality instruments, hard cases are better or cases made by Reunion Blues.

Strap?

I don't use a strap, however there are many choices on Ebay, Amazon, or your local music store.

Stand?

Again, there are many choices, I use my portable guitar stand for my 'ukulele or just put it back in the case when pau.



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Key of G - Hawaiian style

A7	D7	G	A7	D7	G6	
E7	A7	D7	G	G7	C	Cm
B7	E7	A7	D7	G		



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My Little Grass Shack in Kealakekua Hawaii

© 1933 Lyrics & Music: Bill Cogswell, Tommy Harrison and Johnny Noble

G A7
I want to go back to my little grass shack in Kealakekua Hawaii

D7 G
I want to be with all the kanes and wahines that I used to know, so long ago

B7
I can hear old guitars a-playing

E7
On the beach at Ho'onaunau

A7
I can hear the old Hawaiians saying

D7
'Komo mai no kaula i ka hale welakahao'

G A7
It won't be long 'til my ship will be sailing back to Kona

D7 B7
A grand old place that's always fair to see, you're telling me

E7
I'm just a little Hawaiian and a homesick island boy

A7
I want to go back to my fish and poi

G A7
I want to go back to my little grass shack in Kealakekua Hawai'i

D7 G
Where the humuhumunukunukuapua'a goes swimming by

D7 G
Where the humuhumunukunukuapua'a goes swimming by



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Lahainaluna

Words and music by Kui Lee

Vamp: \A7 D7\ G \

\ G \ C \ G \ G \

I am going to the island of the valleys

\ D7\ D7\ G\ D7

To Lahaina, Lahainaluna

\ G \ C

Where the mountains are green

\ G \ G

That's where you'll find me

\ D7 \ D7 \ C Cm \ G

In Lahaina, Lahainaluna

\ C \ Cm

They say that Maui no ka 'oi

\ G \

And I agree

\ A7 \ A7

'Cause Maui no ka 'oi

\ D7 \ D7

Is the only place for me

\ G \ C

That's where you'll find me

\ G \ G

Down by the seaside (down by the seaside)

\ D7 \ D7

Watching the moonlight (watching the moonlight)

\ G \ G

The twinkling starlight (the twinkling starlight)

\ D7 \ D7

The morning sunrise (the morning sunrise)

\ G \ G

The golden sunset(that golden sunset)

\ D7 \ D7 \ C Cm \ G

In Lahaina, Lahainaluna