

'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?

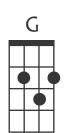
Again, there are many choices, I use my portable guitar stand for my 'ukulele or just put it back in the case when pau.

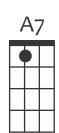


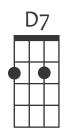
Key of G - Hawaiian style

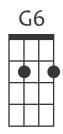


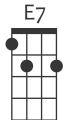


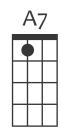




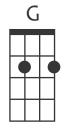


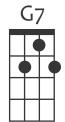








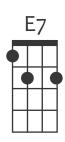


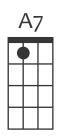


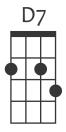


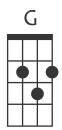














My Little Grass Shack in Kealakekua Hawaii

© 1933 Lyrics & Music: Bill Cogswell, Tommy Harrison and Johnny Noble I want to go back to my little grass shack in Kealakekua Hawaii 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 I can hear the old Hawaiians saying 'Komo mai no kaua i ka hale welakahao' It won't be long 'til my ship will be sailing back to Kona A grand old place that's always fair to see, you're telling me I'm just a little Hawaiian and a homesick island boy I want to go back to my fish and poi I want to go back to my little grass shack in Kealakekua Hawai'i Where the humuhumunukunukuapua'a goes swimming by Where the humuhumunukunukuapua'a goes swimming by



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
\
That's where you'll find me
\ D7 \ D7 \ \C \ Cm \ G
In Lahaina, Lahainaluna
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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