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Lanikai Ukuleles bridge the gap between Hawaiian ukulele tradition and the needs of the discerning modern player. We promote the joy of making music with innovative design and detailed craftsmanship created from a confluence of culture, time, and place.

Lanikai is dedicated to the serious hobbyist, professional performer, and ukulele player that demands more from their instrument. We've challenged ourselves to craft ukuleles that play, perform, and sound like no other - allowing players to uniquely express themselves through our instruments and find their own sound with Lanikai.

Please take a look inside, and we hope one of our instruments will soon find a new home in your hands.

WE'RE SERIOUS  
ABOUT MAKING YOU  
HAPPY!

Tara Linda

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## NEW TUNA UKE TECHNOLOGY

### Intonation Innovation!

Have you ever tuned up your ukulele and played one chord in tune then switch to another chord and it plays out of tune? The strings are stretched and the open strings are in tune, but for some reason that second chord plays out of tune... Well my friends that is what is called poor intonation!

There are many issues that cause poor intonation and TunaUke Technology solves them all. With this technology we have achieved over a 90% improvement!

For the first time ever in the history of the instrument you can overcome all the obstacles and have a ukulele that plays open chords in tune all the way up the neck.

TunaUke Technology will first be available in our best selling LU Series! All mahogany construction, Rosewood fingerboard, and geared tuners with black buttons. Our favorite ukes will sound better than ever! Available in Soprano, Pineapple, Concert, Tenor, and Baritone sizes!

LUTU-21S Soprano



**Compensated Nut:** Between the four strings the differences in string width and tension are substantial. By compensating the distance between the first fret and the nut we are able to make open chords sound as smooth as silk.



**Movable Saddle:** Traditional straight saddles on a ukulele or any other fretted instrument are detrimental to good intonation. With nylon strings even "compensated saddles" are a complete fallacy. The issue is that nylon strings are by their nature, inconstant. After much testing we found the only way to improve on this is to create movable saddle technology to allow the player to adjust the amount of compensation for each string. **No tools required!**



# UkeSB



NEW

*The World's First USB Compatible Ukuleles*

## PLUG & PLAY

*Compatible with:*

- PC & Mac recording
- Select Android devices
- Garageband
- Ableton Live
- iPad1,2 and 3
- Logic Pro
- Audacity

**And much more!**



Kula Preamp with built in chromatic tuner

Recording your uke has never been easier! Lanikai's new **UkeSB Ukuleles** are the **world's first ukuleles to feature a USB output**, just plug it in and hit record!

No extra equipment will be required to make studio quality recordings of your instrument with your iPad, iPhone, Android device, or many popular PC recording suites!

To top it off the UkeSB Ukuleles are absolutely gorgeous. Available with **all Koa Construction** or **Koa w/ a Solid Spruce Top**, real Mother of Pearl inlays, and our full **Fishman Kula preamp** – these ukes have it all!

*All Hawaiian Koa models available in Soprano, Concert, Tenor, and Baritone sizes!*

LK-SEU Soprano Size UkeSB



NEW

# KULA EQUIPPED Ukuleles

Lanikai A/E ukuleles equipped with the new **Fishman® Kula preamp** are available! This upgraded electronics system is perfect for the professional player. The sleek design of this preamp lends itself well to the ukulele and fits everything you could ask for in a preamp. With a **three band EQ**, you'll be prepared to please any crowd by adjusting the low mid and high range to your liking. Never search for your clip-on tuner again! The Kula preamp features an **on-board chromatic tuner** so you can tune up wherever you go.

*The Fishman Kula Preamp is now available in our most popular Lanikai Acoustic Electric Models:*

- CK-TEK
- Curly Koa Tenor Cutaway
- SM-CEK
- Spalted Mango Concert
- CK-6EK
- Curly Koa Six String Tenor Cutaway
- LU-21TEK
- Mahogany Tenor

*And Many More!*

LU-8EK Nato 8 String Tenor



CK-TEK Curly Koa Tenor Cutaway



SM-CEK Spalted Mango Concert





## Curly Koa Series

Used to make ukuleles for over a century, rare Hawaiian Koa wood is especially prized for its distinctive curly grain. Grown mostly on the big island of Hawaii these woods have a crisp tone unlike any other. Lanikai's Curly Koa Ukuleles are the favorites of many players with unmatched playability and versatile tone. Curly Koa top, back, and sides – true to the Hawaiian tradition.

Available in many sizes including: Soprano, Concert, Tenor, Tenor A/E Cutaway, 6 String A/E, and Baritone.



Garrett Borns

## Exotic Series – Monkey Pod

Lanikai has taken us to every part of the globe. Being the wood junkies that we are, we cannot resist finding new materials to experiment with. From these travels we came across the amazing sounds of the Monkey Pod wood. These ukes produce a fresh tone unique to the woods distinct resonance capabilities. Unadorned by synthetic enhancements, this series captures the pure essence and beauty of the natural world. All solid Monkey Pod construction, hand finished construction, and high quality hardware finish off these amazing ukuleles!

Available in Concert or Tenor sizes w/ optional Fishman Sonitone Preamp and Sonicore Pickup!

TMP-TCA Tenor Cutaway



CK-C Curly Koa Concert Size



TMP-T Tenor

## Custom Series – Spalted Mango

Since traditions are made to be broken we also developed the SM series. The difficulties we experienced when working with Spalted Mango were more than worth the tone that was created. The spalt-ing process means that each one of these ukes have their own unique look, on top of an incredible sound! Pleasing to the eyes and the ears!

Available in Concert or Tenor sizes with optional Fishman Kula Preamp!



Rose Logue



SM-C Spalted Mango Concert

## Solid Mahogany

The greater density of Solid Mahogany creates mid-range tones and a balanced sound. This wood is known as the “Jack of All Trades” at Lanikai because it is very versatile- you can play any style and it is guaranteed to sound great on Mahogany.

Available in Concert or Tenor sizes w/ optional FishmanSonitone Pre-amp and Sonicore Pickup!



LM-T Solid Mahogany Tenor

LM-CCA Concert Cutaway



Cody Simpson







## Solid Koa Series

Koa is the wood of choice for traditional ukulele craftsmen. The crisp tone produced is the prize at the end of the tunnel for many players. This is why we created the NK series with its highly figured natural solid Koa top and Koa back and sides. An upgrade to our very popular Curly Koa Series, our NK Solid Koa models are designed for the serious player who wants to keep with the Hawaiian Koa Ukulele tradition!

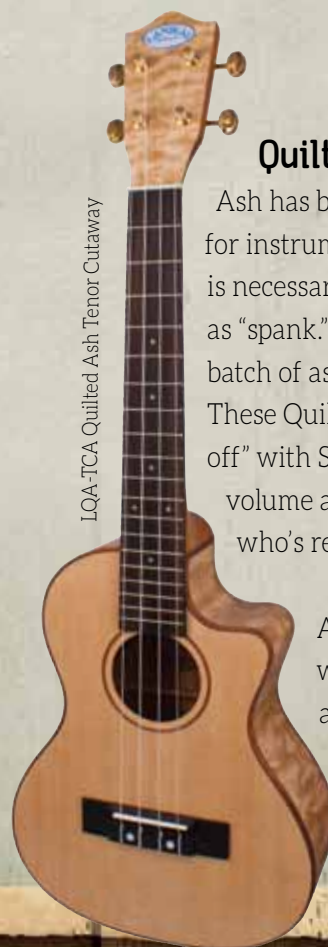
Available in Concert and Tenor sizes.



NK-C Solid Koa Concert Ukulele



LQA-C Quilted Ash Concert



LQA-TCA Quilted Ash Tenor Cutaway

## Quilted Ash

Ash has been long known as a wood of choice for instrument builders when a strong attack is necessary, which is generally described as "spank." We came across a highly figured batch of ash that created a distinctive tone. These Quilted Ash back and sides are "topped off" with Solid Spruce tops that add extra volume and projection. Great for the player who's ready to stand out from the crowd!

Available in Concert or Tenor sizes w/ optional Fishman Sonitone Pre-amp and Sonicore Pickup!



## Banjoleles

Popularized in the roaring twenties and thirties, the Banjolele answered the call from popular performers for greater volume. From there the unique Banjolele tone solidified itself into the lexicon of ukulele music and remains instantly recognizable today. Great for the vintage sound, or when you need extra projection playing outside or with a band!

Available in Open Back Soprano or Concert Size w/ Resonator.

LBU-C Concert Banjolele

LB6-S Soprano Banjolele



LKP-C Concert Koa Pack

## Koa Packs

Lanikai Koa Packs are all about giving players what they asked for, a well-appointed Koa uke with a rosewood fingerboard and bridge, gold plated die cast tuning machines, abalone rosette, body binding and fingerboard board inlays, a gig bag, and a clip-on tuner at a killer price. A custom wide bone nut was used to increase the string spacing, making these ukuleles more comfortable for guitarists who are trying out the ukulele for the first time. This pack represents unbeatable value from Lanikai.

Available in Concert or Tenor Size w/ Bag, Tuner, and Instruction Booklet.



Bags | Cases | Accessories

Sidekick Bags

Our reinforced bags help you protect your uke in style! Features Include:

- 10mm internal lining
- Reinforced Rigid Side Walls
- Comfortable Fabric Handle
- Large Exterior Pocket
- Easy Carry Backpack Strap



TB-C Tribal Gigbag



Easy Carry Backpack Strap



FB-C Floral Gigbag

Sidekick Hard Bags

Need extra protection? Our Lanikai Hard Bags are available in all sizes, two designs, and tons of features including:

- Soft Internal Lining
- Positionable Internal Padded Blocks
- 25mm Internal Padding
- Rugged PVC handles
- Heavy Duty Rigid Frame Construction
- Extra Large Exterior Storage Pocket
- Hide-Away Super Comfort Backpack Straps



FHB-C Floral Hardbag



Hide-Away Super Comfort Backpack Straps



THB-C Tribal Hardbag

HSS Bags

You can feel confident your concert ukulele is safe and secure with Lanikai's premium gigbag. Made with Cordura to be heavy duty padded. Available in all four sizes!



UC Cases

Protect your ukulele with Lanikai's polyfoam case. It's the best of both worlds the protection of a hard case with the versatility of a gigbag. The inside storage and large outside pocket is perfect for accessories. Shoulder strap included. All four sizes available.



CO-UT Chromatic Tuner

The new Lanikai clip-on electric tuner makes tuning your ukulele a breeze. This super accurate, easy to use tuner works with all ukulele tuning and with most stringed instruments. The Lanikai CO-UT Mini Clip On Tuner with Backlight is the perfect tuner for all your tuning needs! It's compact, clips on to your head stock and can be set to tune ukulele, guitar, bass, violin or chromatic.



Lanikai By Aquila Strings

Standard on all Lanikai Ukuleles – genuine Lanikai by Aquila strings are now available in all sizes!







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