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Marisol Hernandez of Grammy
Award Winning La Santa Cecilia

Aloha!

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.



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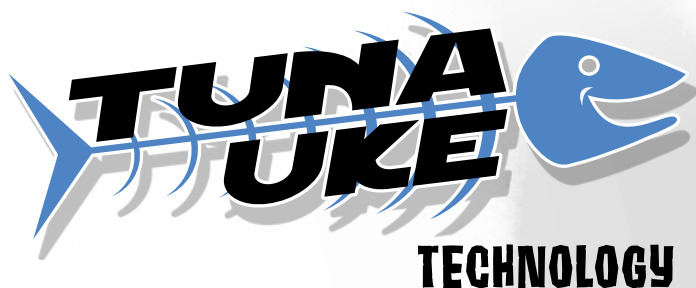
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AT LANIKAI,
WE'RE SERIOUS
ABOUT MAKING YOU
HAPPY!

For a look at our complete line of ukuleles,
please visit us at our new website.

www.LanikaiUkuleles.com





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!**

TunaUke Technology is now available in our best selling **LUTU All Mahogany Series**, and our **SPTU Solid Spruce Series** with more new models and limited edition pieces coming soon!

Our ukes are sounding better than ever with TunaUke Technology – available in **Soprano, Concert, Tenor, and Baritone** sizes!



Compensated Nut

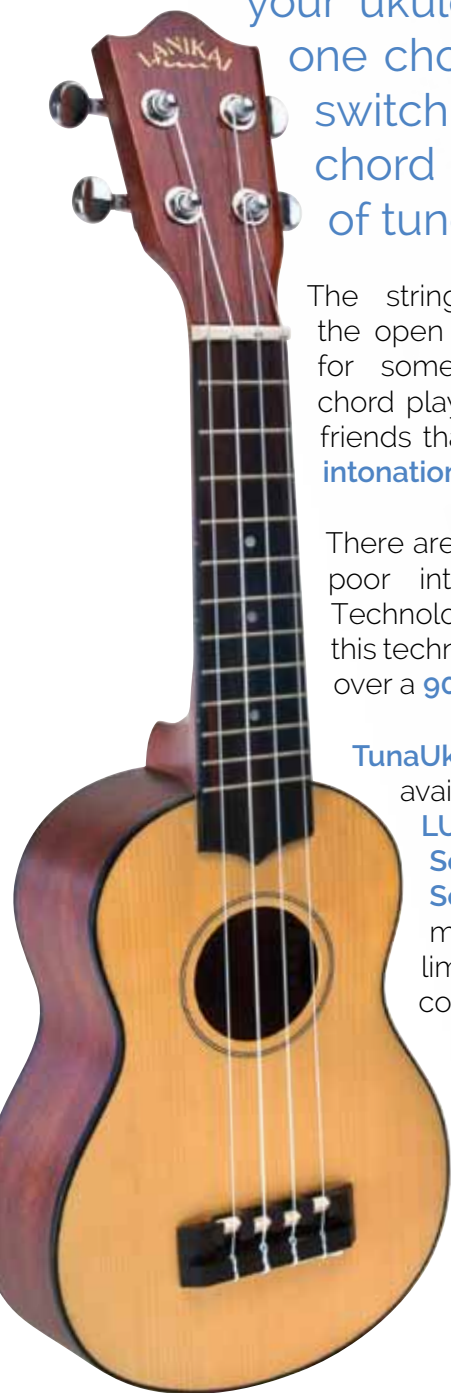
Between the four strings the differences in string width and tension are substantial. By compensating the distance between the first fret and the nut we are able to make open chords sound as **smooth as silk**.



Movable Saddle

Traditional straight saddles on 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. The only way to improve on this is to create **movable saddle technology** to allow the player to adjust the compensation for each string.

No tools required!



What others are saying about Lanikai's revolutionary TunaUke equipped ukuleles...



"A very solid ukulele and the BEST one that could be grabbed up by a beginner without question."

– Ukeonomics Blog



"Lanikai's TunaUke creates the ability for beginners to adjust intonation in a way they weren't able to previously. It affords new possibilities for students to explore intonation in solos and ensemble playing and the adjustable saddle makes this instrument accessible and useful to beginners and pros alike."

– Jake Shimabukuro



"The Lanikai TunaUke bridge system provides a simple yet affordable solution to the age old problem of ukulele intonation. It is truly an innovation that will be heard around the world, quite literally!"

– John Gonzalez Del Sol, Fan Guitar & Ukulele,
Richmond VA



"A simple ukulele with a revolutionary fine tuning."

– Uke4U Review Blog



"Chords and notes ring true. It will make any player sound better."

– Shawn Steen, Jam Brothers Music,
Walnut Creek CA



"I find the TunaUke system to be a great innovation for uke players and I can't wait to see what Lanikai comes out with next."

– David Hutto Jr, Zen Ukes,
Orangeburg, SC



"It's been well over 100 years the uke's been in Hawaii and besides exotic woods, pickup/preamp, and cutaways nothing has improved the overall intonation until this came along. The compensated nut and adjustable saddles are a must have for all uke players."

– Ron Ravelo, Westside Music,
Waipahu HI

Instructional Videos Available Online!



Learn More At
lanikaiukuleles.com/tunauke-equipped/

Technology – TunaUke

NEW

Thinline Spruce TunaUkes

This Limited Edition Thinline SOTTU-C Concert Ukulele features a Solid Spruce Top with Okume Back and Sides. Appointed with Abalone Rosette, fingerboard inlay, and custom rope-style binding this ukulele's beautiful sound is complimented perfectly by it's gorgeous appearance - a must-have for any collector or performer.

Available in concert and tenor sizes.



NEW

Spruce Series TunaUkes

Traditional Solid Spruce tone meets Lanikai's Intonation Innovation in our new Spruce Series TunaUkes! TunaUke Technology's compensated nut and movable saddles improve intonation up to 90%, while Spruce and Mahogany construction ensure your uke plays, sounds, and intonates better than ever before!

Available in soprano, concert tenor and baritone sizes.



LU Series TunaUkes

We upgraded the tuning machines by utilizing diecast tuners which provide improved tuning stability. The compensated, wide-spaced 37mm TunaUke nut not only drastically improves intonation, but also mimics the tonal response of natural bone. The TunaUke saddle housing mounts directly to the top of the instrument which increases overall projection and a full spectrum of lows, mids and highs.

Available in soprano (with or without binding), soprano pineapple, concert, tenor and baritone sizes.





The World's First USB Compatible Ukuleles

Connecting the needs of the modern player with traditional Hawaiian sound & construction!

These ukes feature the Fishman Kula active preamp, with both a 1/4" cable and micro-usb output. Ready to connect to nearly any mobile device or audio program without additional drivers, the UkeSB bridges the gap between acoustic instruments and today's accessibility of digital recording.

UkeSB ukuleles feature block inlays, die-cast geared tuners, and a Mother of Pearl headstock overlay which together create ukuleles unique in sound and function!

Recording your uke has never been easier!

Lanikai's UkeSB Ukuleles are the **world's first** ukuleles to feature a **USB output**, just plug it in and hit record!



NEW

LMU Series

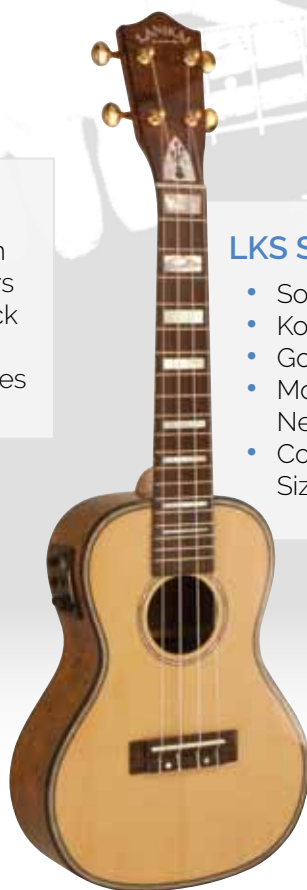
- All Mahogany Construction
- Chrome Die Cast Tuners
- Pearloid Neck Inlays
- Available In All Four Sizes

LK Series

- All Koa Construction
- Gold Die Cast Tuners
- Mother of Pearl Neck Inlays
- Available In All 4 Sizes

LKS Series

- Solid Spruce Top
- Koa Back & Sides
- Gold Die Cast Tuners
- Mother of Pearl Neck Inlays
- Concert & Tenor Sizes Only



Learn More At
lanikaiukuleles.com/ukesb/

KULA EQUIPPED Ukuleles

This upgraded electronics system is perfect for the professional player.

Lanikai A/E ukuleles equipped with the new Fishman® Kula preamp are available! This upgraded electronics system is perfect for the professional player.

The design of this preamp is specifically for the ukulele and delivers 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 Kula
Preamp now
comes standard
on ALL Lanikai
Acoustic/
Electric Ukes!



Learn More At
lanikaiukuleles.com/kula-equipped/

NEW

Limited Edition Models

Lanikai's new Legacy Collection represents fresh takes on classic ukulele designs made to meet the needs of the professional modern player. With meticulous attention to detail, playability, and unique features Legacy Collection instruments strive to take the ukulele to new heights by giving player's the tools they need to find and expand their sound. Acoustic/Electric models are equipped with Fishman Kula preamps.



LU2-8

All Mahogany 8-String Tenor Ukulele with Slotted Headstock & Deluxe Tuners.

LU2-6

All Mahogany 6-String Tenor Ukulele with Slotted Headstock & Deluxe Tuners.

LU2-21CEK/BK

All Mahogany Acoustic/Electric Concert Uke w/ Abalone Accents and Gloss Black Finish. Available in concert and tenor.

SOT-8

Solid Spruce Top w/ Okume Back & Sides 8 String Tenor w/ Abalone Accents, Custom Binding, Slotted Headstock & Deluxe Tuners.

SOT-6

Solid Spruce Top w/ Okume Back & Sides 6 String Tenor w/ Abalone Accents, Custom Binding, Slotted Headstock & Deluxe Tuners.

Series – Exotic & Curly Koa



TMP-TCA
Tenor Cutaway

TMP-T Tenor

Exotic Series Monkey Pod

Lanikai has taken us to every part of the globe. Being the woodjunkies 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 and Tenor sizes.



CK-C Curly Koa
Concert Size

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.

Series – Solid Mahogany

Solid Mahogany Series

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
Fishman Sonitone
Preamp and
Sonicore Pickup!



LM-T

Solid Mahogany
Tenor ukulele
with vintage gold
tuners.

LM-C

Solid Mahogany
Concert ukulele
with vintage gold
tuners.

LM-TCA

Solid Mahogany
Tenor Cutaway
ukulele with vin-
tage gold tuners.

LM-CCA

Solid Mahogany
Concert Cutaway
ukulele with vin-
tage gold tuners.

Series – Custom

Custom 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. However 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.



Solid Koa

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

Spalted Mango

The spalting 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!

SM-C Spalted
Mango Concert

Series – Stage

Stage Series Banjoleles

Popularized in the roaring 20s and 30s, 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.

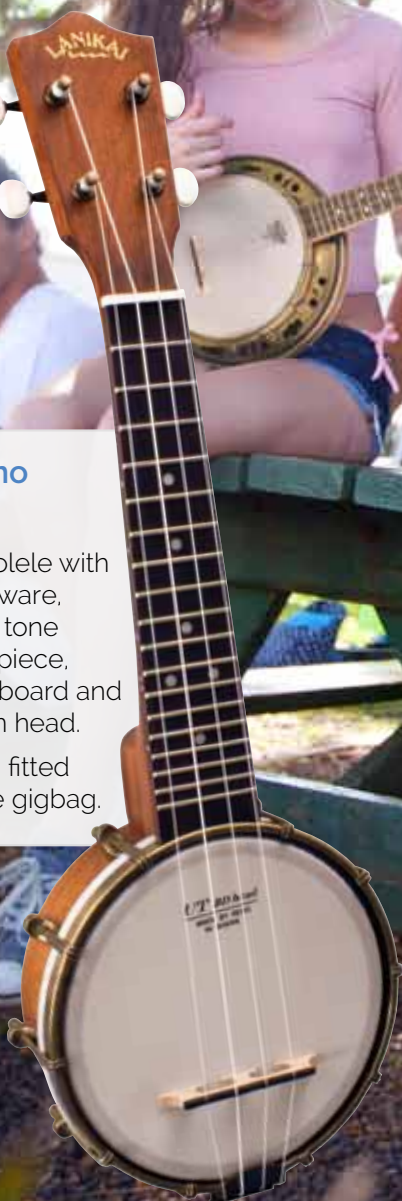
LBU-C Concert Banjolele

Aged brass hardware, flame maple resonator, maple neck with flame maple headstock overlay, maple tone ring, no-knot tailpiece, rosewood fingerboard, flame maple body and neck binding, Remo head. includes custom fitted Lanikai Banjolele gigbag.

LB6-S Soprano Banjolele

Open back banjolele with aged brass hardware, maple neck and tone ring, no-knot tailpiece, rosewood fingerboard and Remo Fyberskyn head.

includes custom fitted Lanikai Banjolele gigbag.



Sidekick Gigbags & Cases

Hard Bags

Need extra protection? Our Lanikai Sidekick 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



Includes Hide-Away
Super Comfort
Backpack Straps



THB-C Tribal Hardbag

Soft Bags

Lanikai Sidekick Soft Bags are reinforced to 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

Koa Packs & Accessories

Koa Value Packs

Lanikai Koa Packs are all about giving players the value 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 is an unbeatable value from Lanikai.

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

LKP-C Concert Koa Pack



Lanikai By Aquila Strings

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



The Kings of Ukulele

CO-UT Chromatic Tuner

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 can be set to tune ukulele, guitar, bass, violin or chromatic.



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