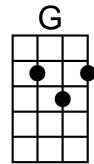


The Hukilau Song

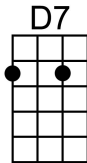
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A⁷ D⁷ G A⁷ D⁷ G
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G
Oh we're going' to a Hukilau,
D⁷
A Huki, Huki, Huki, Huki, Hukilau

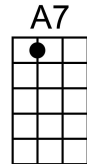


Everybody loves a Hukilau,
G
Where the lau-lau is the kau-kau at the big lu-au



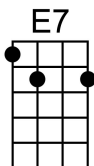
E⁷
Oh we'll throw our nets out into the sea

A⁷
And all the ama-ama come-a swimmin' to me



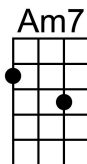
G E⁷
Oh we're goin' to a Hukilau,

D⁷ G
A Huki, Huki, Huki, Huki-lau!



G D⁷
What a beautiful day for fishin' the old Hawaiian way

A^{m7} D⁷ A⁷ D⁷
All the Hukilau nets are swishin', down in old La-i-e Bay
(La-ee-ay)



G
Oh we're going' to the Hukilau,

D⁷
A Huki, Huki, Huki, Huki, Hukilau

D⁷

There's romance 'neath Hawaiian skies

G

Where the lovely hula hula maidens roll their eyes

E⁷

While the silvery moon is shinin' above

A⁷

The kane and wahines sing a song about love

G

E⁷

D⁷

G

Para-dise now, at the Hukilau, a Huki, Huki, Huki Hukilau

D⁷

A Huki, Huki, Huki, Huki

Huki, Huki, Huki, Huki

G

A Huki, Huki, Huki Huki-lau!

A ⁷	D ⁷	G	A ⁷	D ⁷	G	D ⁷	G
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A **hukilau** is a way of fishing invented by the ancient Hawaiians. The word comes from huki, **meaning** pull, and lau, **meaning** leaves. A large number of people, usually family and friends, would work together in casting the net from shore and then pulling it back.

A festive beach gathering is also known to local Hawaiians as a **hukilau**

Ama-ama, local fish resembling a striped mullet

Laulau is a Hawaiian dish. In old Hawaii, laulau was assembled by taking a few luau leaves and placing a few pieces of fish and pork in the center. The ends of the luau leaf are folded and wrapped again in ti leaf. When ready, all the laulau is placed in an underground oven, called an imu. Hot rocks are placed on the dish and covered in banana leaves and buried again. A few hours later the laulau is ready to eat.

In modern times, the dish uses taro leaves, salted butterfish, and either pork, beef, or chicken and is usually steamed on the stove. Laulau is a typical plate lunch dish and is usually served with a side of rice and macaroni salad.

Kaukau means food or 'to eat'. It is not a Hawaiian word, instead it comes from the Pidgin English chow-chow which means food.