

# When Hilo Hattie Does the Hilo Hop

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**C G<sup>dim</sup>**  
 When Hilo Hattie does the Hilo Hop,  
**G<sup>7</sup> G<sup>dim</sup> G<sup>7</sup>**  
 There's not a bit of use for a traffic cop  
**D<sup>7</sup> G<sup>7</sup>**  
 For everything and everybody comes to a stop  
**C G<sup>7</sup> C**  
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**C G<sup>dim</sup>**  
 The sugar raises "cane," the palm trees sigh  
**G<sup>7</sup> G<sup>dim</sup> G<sup>7</sup>**  
 The ukuleles "fret" and the birds won't fly  
**D<sup>7</sup> G<sup>7</sup>**  
 The *humuhumunukunuku* stop swimming by  
**C G<sup>7</sup> C**  
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*humuhumunukunuku* - State fish of Hawaii.

**C<sup>7</sup> F**  
 That wahine has an *opu*, with a college education *opu* -tummy  
**D<sup>7</sup>**  
 There's no motion she don't go through  
**G<sup>7</sup> G<sup>7</sup>**  
 She doesn't leave a thing to your imagination  
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**C G<sup>dim</sup>**  
 Hattie does a dance no law would allow  
**G<sup>7</sup> G<sup>dim</sup> G<sup>7</sup>**  
 A crater got a look and it's sizzling now  
**D<sup>7</sup>**  
 She'd better watch her step  
**G<sup>7</sup>**

Or every-thing will be *pau* *pau* –finished, done

**C G<sup>7</sup> C**  
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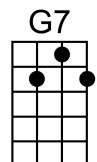
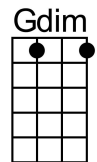
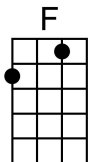
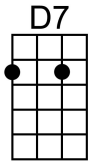
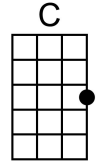
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Now when Hattie does her stuff they cry for more  
 And everybody knows what they're crying for  
 The sailors leave the ships at sea and swim for the shore  
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She does her very best to satisfy  
 She shakes her *holoku* and she winks her eye  
 You always find the fellas hanging 'round her *lanai*  
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All the folks in Hilo said "We love it"  
 But you're causing lots of trouble  
 Hattie said "Think nothing of it"  
 I'd do a bubble dance if I could find a bubble"

The *kane*s go to town and go for broke  
*Wa-hine*s leave their clothes in the tub to soak  
 Little *keiki*s stay at home and drink up the *oke*  
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*holoku* - traditional wedding dress  
*lanai* - roofed, open-sided porch or patio

*kane*s - boys  
*wahine*s - girls  
*keiki*s - kids, children  
*oke* - Hawaiian moonshine. From fermented Ti root.