

How to Tune the Ukulele

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The musical score is written in treble clef with a 3/4 time signature. It consists of five staves of music. The first staff begins with a key signature change from one flat to one sharp (F major to G major) and a time signature change from 3/4 to 4/4. The second and third staves continue in 4/4 time. The fourth staff is labeled 'Bridge' and returns to a 3/4 time signature. The fifth staff concludes the piece. Chord symbols (G7, C, F, G, G7, C, F, G7, G7) are placed above the notes to indicate the harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the notes.

(Oh) I've got a lit - tle u - ku - le - le, I
take good care of it, I play it ev' - ry day. — I'm kind to my lit - tle u - ku -
le - le, And it's so good to me! (I)

Bridge
My dog has fleas, My mouse eats cheese, My cat does wees.
G C E A, Strange notes to play, But they made it that way, So...

Oh, I've got a little ukulele
I take good care of it, I play it every day
I'm kind to my little ukulele
And it's so good to me

I love to stroke my little ukulele
I kiss and cuddle it, I take it in my car
People think that I'm crazy
But when it grows up it'll be a guitar

It's fun to try and tune a ukulele
It's not like the bagpipes, it's not like the violin
When I tune my little ukulele
This is how I begin:

My dog has fleas
My mouse eats cheese
My cat does wees (on the carpet)
G C E A
Strange notes to play
But they made it that way

So . . . when I've tuned my little ukulele
I take it in my hand and I play and smile and sing
'Cos there's nothing like a little ukulele
It's just the best-est thing