

## UKULELE BRANDS

*Prices are from Amazon.com, but prices may vary by retailer.*

### **UNDER \$50**

Lanikai LU21

Makala MK-S (The Makala Dolphin series comes in various colors)

Kohala Kine'O series

### **\$50-\$100**

Kala Soprano Pack (KA-15S)

Lanikai

Cordoba 15SM or 15CM (CM is a concert sized ukulele which is a bit larger but is otherwise played in the same way.)

Ibanez IUUKS5 ukulele pack (comes with case and tuner)

When looking for a ukulele, look for one with geared tuners and NOT friction tuners. Geared tuners are easier to keep in tune while friction tuners can be very difficult on a beginner. The picture below illustrates the 2 types.



The brands listed below are generally of a high quality and come in a wide range of prices. When looking for a ukulele, a used version of one of the below brands will almost ALWAYS be of a better quality than a brand new, off-brand ukulele.

### **Quality Beginning/Intermediate Ukulele Brands**

Lanikai

Kala

Luna

Cordoba

Oscar Schmidt

Ibanez

Martin

Pono

aNueNue

Gretsch

Fender