

My Little Grass Shack-Hawaiian War Chant

Don Ho

Edited 07-28-23

INTRO

F G7 Bb | G7 | C | F | C

I want to go back to my little grass shack in Kealakekua, Ha-waii
I want to be with all the kanes and wa-hines that I knew long ago-

I can hear old guitars a playing, on the beach at Hoo-naunau
I can hear the Hawaiians saying "Komo-mai no kua ika hale welakahao"

It won't be long 'til my ship will be sailing back to Kona
A grand old place I've always longed to see, You're telling me

I'm just a little Hawaiian and a homeside Island boy
I want to go back to my fish and poi

I want to go back to my little grass shack in Kealakekua, Ha-waii-
Where the Humuhumu, Nukunuku a puaa goes swimming by
Where the Humuhumu, Nukunuku a puaa goes swimming by—
A 2counts percusive DDD |

HAWAIIAN WAR CHANT

pause1 DDD_U_DDD | pause1 DDUDDD |
D | D |

Tahuwai la a tahuwai wai la

D | D |

Ehu hene la a pili koo lua la

G | D |

Pututui lu a ite toe la

A | D |

Hanu lipo ita paa-lai

D | D |
 Tahuwai la a tahuwai wai la
 D | D |
 Ehu hene la a pili koo lua la
 G | D |
 Pututui lu a ite toe la
 A | D |
 Hanu lipo ita paa-lai

G | D | A7 | D |
 Au we ta huala
 G | D | A7 | D |
 Au we ta huala

D | D |
 Tahuwai la a tahuwai wai la
 D | D |
 Ehu hene la a pili koo lua la
 G | D |
 Pututui lu a ite toe la
 A | D | A | D single
 Hanu lipo ita paa-lai

Song: My Little Grass Shack

Written by: Tommy Harrison, Bill Cogswell and Johnny Noble in 1933 (others also claim it)

Based on: Back in Hackensack

Style: Hapa Haole (Hawaiian music with english words)

Song: Hawaiian War Chant

Written by: Prince Leleiohoku in 1860's

Originally: Kaua I Ka Huahua'i or "We Two in the Spray"

English Lyrics: 1936 by Ralph Freed

