

intro vamp  
A7/2 D7/2 G/4  
A7/2 D7/2 G/2 D7/2

# Ulupalakua

(Breadfruit Ripened On The Back)  
by John P. Watkins

2X G/4 G7/4  
**Kaulana mai nei**  
C/4 G/4  
**A'o 'Ulu-pala-kua**

Famous

E7/4 A7/4  
**E 'iniki-niki ahiahi**

Is 'Ulupalakua

D7/4 G/4 A7/2 D7/2 G/2 D7/2  
**Ka home a'o paniolo**

The pangs of the cold evening air

The home of the cowboys

2X G/4 G7/4  
**E wehi e ku'u lei**  
C/4 G/4  
**A'o 'Ulu-pala-kua**

My lei is an adornment

E7/4 A7/4  
**'Onaona me ka 'awapuhi**

Of 'Ulupalakua

D7/4 G/4 A7/2 D7/2 G/2 D7/2  
**He nani ma'oli no**

The sweet scent of ginger is

Truly beautiful

2X G/4 G7/4  
**Ha'ina mai ka puana**  
C/4 G/4  
**A'o 'Ulu-pala-kua**

Tell the refrain

E7/4 A7/4  
**He 'iniki-niki ahiahi**

Of 'Ulupalakua

D7/4 G/4 1: A7/2 D7/2 G/2 D7/2 repeat  
**Ka home a'o paniolo**

The pangs of the cold evening air

The home of the cowboy

2:

D7/4 G/4  
**Ka home a'o paniolo**

D7/1 rest/3 G/4 A7/2 D7/2 G/1 F/1 F#/1 G/1  
**Ka home a'o paniolo**

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