



## Sweet Leilani

<sup>F</sup> Sweet <sup>F7</sup> Leilani, <sup>Bb</sup> heavenly <sup>Bbm</sup> flower  
<sup>F</sup> Nature <sup>C7</sup> fashioned roses <sup>F</sup> kissed with dew  
<sup>C7</sup> And then she placed them in a <sup>F</sup> bower  
<sup>C7</sup> It was the start of <sup>F</sup> you <sup>C7</sup>

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<sup>F</sup> Tropic <sup>C7</sup> skies are jealous as they <sup>F</sup> shine  
<sup>C7</sup> I think they're jealous of your <sup>F</sup> blue eyes  
<sup>C7</sup> Jealous because you're <sup>F</sup> mine <sup>C7</sup>

<sup>F</sup> Sweet <sup>F7</sup> Leilani, <sup>Bb</sup> heavenly <sup>Bbm</sup> flower  
<sup>F</sup> I dreamed of <sup>C7</sup> paradise for two <sup>F</sup>  
<sup>C7</sup> You are my <sup>F</sup> paradise completed  
<sup>C7</sup> You are my <sup>G7</sup> dream <sup>C7</sup> come <sup>F</sup> true

*"Few individual musicians have given Hawaiian music more national, if not international, exposure than Harry Owens. His biggest hit, Sweet Leilani, as recorded by Bing Crosby, was played on every radio station and every jukebox in the US. It was on the Hit Parade radio program for 28 consecutive weeks, a record that never was equaled. It was actually credited for helping to revive the American record industry during the Depression." (Kanahele 281) Sweet Leilani won the Oscar for best song in 1938.*