UKER’S LAMENT (sung to the tune of “One Note Samba”)

Music-Antonio Carlos Jobim/Lyrics-Dr. Uke

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They say it's just a ukulele, and they don't take it too serious

But after playing guitar for decades, strumming this makes me de-lirious

It can play all kinds of music, any style from jazz to rock

But if you're looking for acceptance, well, you're in for quite a shock

There're so many instruments that crash and blare and hum

But sound like no-thing, or nearly no-thing

I can pick my Martin up and play two chords or three, or six or seven, and I'm in hea-ven

Now I come back to my subject, people think I'm just a kook

But to them I have to object, or I just slug them with my Fluke

The coming years may find us feeble, trombones and bass take all your might

But when you play a four-stringed beauty the best thing is it's so damned light

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Em7    Eb7
They say it's just a uku-lele
Dm7     G7b5
And they don't take it too serious
Em7    Eb7
But after playing guitar for decades
Dm7     G7b5
Strumming this makes me delirious
Gm7    C7   C7#5
It can play all kinds of music
FMA7     Bb7
Any style from jazz to rock
Em7    Eb7
But if you're looking for ac-ceptance
Dm7    G7b5    C6
Well, you're in for quite a shock

Fm7    Bb7     Bb7#5
There're so many instruments that crash and blare and hum
EbMA7 Eb6     EbMA7 Eb6
But sound like no-thing, or nearly no-thing
Ebm7     Ab7
I can pick my Martin up and play two chords or three
DbMA7    Dm7b5    G7
Or six or seven, and I'm in hea-ven

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Now I come back to my subject
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People think I'm just a kook
Em7    Eb7
But to them I have to object
Dm7     G7b5
Or I just slug them with my Fluke
Gm7     C7   C7#5
The coming years may find us feeble
FMA7     Bb7
Trombones and bass take all your might
Em7    Eb7     Dm7 G7b5     C6
But when you play a four-stringed beauty the best thing is it's so damned light
Eb6     D7     DbMA7     C6
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