

**Lahaina Music Strum Sheet.** Check out our free ukulele tutorials -- including strum videos -- go to [Youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and type in "Lahaina Music" to find our channel. Click "Subscribe" for free.

<b>#1: ALL DOWN - beautiful simplicity.</b> Extend fingers gracefully downward	<b>#2: DOWN AND UP - focus on even wrist rotation with finger extension downward.</b>

**#3: "SWING" EIGHTH NOTE STRUM PATTERN (blues groove).** Use one finger upstrum. (relaxed, rolling rhythm; Downstrum is accented, upstrum is more subdued and hesitant)

1 a 2 a 3 a 4 a 1 a 2 a 3 a 4 a

**#4: BASIC FOLK ROCK STRUM (think 1970's acoustic guitar)**

Wrist rotates smoothly as in strum #2, but fingers only contact on 5 of the 8 motions.

1 2 & (3) & 4 1 2 & (3) & 4

Down, <skip> down, up, <skip> up- down. <skip> Down, down, up, up- down.

I , will play , the uke , i will play the uke

**#5: BASIC PLUCK-STRUM (offbeat emphasis, useful for reggae and country)**

P: indicates a thumb pluck, on the top string only. Accents on beats 2 and 4.

1 "ka- JIN- ga" 2 "ka- JIN- ga" 3 "ka- JIN- ga" 4 "ka- JIN- ga"

**#6: BASIC PERCUSSIVE-STRUM (backbeat emphasis, clap on the 2 and 4)**

X: indicates a palm-mute, "chuck" or "chop" percussive strum, as where a snare drum would hit

1 a 2! a 3 a 4! a 1 a 2! a 3 a 4! a

**#7: Basic Double-Upstrum (the key to Hawaiian strums)**

Double-up arrow indicates thumbnail and index pad, separated, in the same upstrum motion. (relaxed, rolling rhythm; Downstrum is accented, upstrum is more subdued and hesitant)

1 a 2 a 3 a 4 &a 1 a 2 a 3 a 4 &a

This concludes basic techniques -- see them combined in free videos on our youtube channel.