

Pili Mau Me 'Oe (1990)

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Intro: **F G C Am F G C G** (last two lines of hui)

Verse 1

C Am F C
Hanu i ke 'ala ou e ka pī kake
C Am D7 G7
Hali'a ka mana'o i ka hui mua
C Am F C
Hana lauwiwili me ka li'a loko
C Am G7 C C7
He 'i'ini ko'u e pili me 'oe

*I breathe in your fragrance, o sweet pikake
And am reminded of the time we first met
When love's desire twisted and turned within
I long to be close to you*

HUI:

F(G) G7(A7) C(D) Am(Bm)
Wrap your arms around my waist come *honihoni* (kiss) me

F(G) G7(A7) C(D) C7(D7)
Oh my goodness *ku'u pu'uwai* (my heart)

F(G) G(A7) C(D) Am(Bm)
Now that you are in my arms *e ula la'e hou* (what a feeling)

F(G) G(A7) C(D) G(A7 modulate to D for Verse 3)
Darling, pili mau me 'oe (**Bm after verse 3 HUI, then END**)

END: G A7 D Bm

Darling, pili mau me 'oe

G A7 D

Darling, pili mau me 'oe *slide f3 f4 f5 (Bb shape)*

Verse 2

C Am F C
Helele'i mai ka 'ohu noe i ka 'ili
C Am D7 G7
Hali'ali'a i ka ulu aloha
C Am F C
Pa'a pono 'ia la i ku'u manawa
C Am G7 C C7
He i'ini ko'u e pili me 'oe

*Lightly falls the mist on your skin
It reminds me of when love first began to
grow
I hold this dear to my heart, my affections
I long to be close to you*

Verse 3

D Bm G D
A 'ole ka mana'o e poina wale
D Bm E7 A7
Ka popohe o ka pīkake anuheā
D Bm G D
'Ae no ho'i ua poina 'ole
D Bm A7 D D7
Mao- popo ia'u pili mau me 'oe

*My mind will never forget
The shapely beauty of the sweet pikake
Yes, indeed, unforgettable
It is clear — always be close to you*