



# WOODENTINES

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## HOPKIN INSTRUMENTARIUM

### ABOUT THE INSTRUMENT

**WOODENTINES** is a nuanced and expressive selection of wooden lamellaphones by master instrument inventor Bart Hopkin. Featuring 3 unique instruments with wildly different shapes and mechanics, the same crisp and yet ponderously watery wooden essence shines warmly through each one. It includes the Bamboo Idiomount, Big Wooden Kalimba and Woodkal, plus a special bonus instrument called Piezo Tongues. We've included a range of playable articulations and multiple microphone/channel options to give you complete freedom. And in classic Soundiron tradition, we've also included sound-designed textures, pads and tones that take the concept beyond its material source and into the realm of pure imagination. They can be played, layered, modulated and blended along with the natural acoustic articulations to achieve an endless array of new sonic combinations.

This collection offers you a broad, flexible palette of musical colors and comes equipped with easy-to-use layer mixing, performance tools and special effects to spark your creativity.

Bamboo Idiomount is a round mbira-like bowl instrument with a hollow resonator cavity and two opposing rows of bamboo tines. It has a crisp, rich and raspy quality. It features 3 stereo mic positions: internal, close and room. It includes plucked notes and a percussive side slap articulation.

Big Wooden Kalimba, also known as the Wooden Idiomount, is a chromatic scale of large wooden tongues bridged over a large trapezoidal chamber. It has a lush and dreamy tone with deep bass. It features 2 stereo mic positions: close and room. It includes finger pluck and stick tap chromatic notes on the tongues, plus percussive taps, knocks and gliss effects.

The Woodkal, also known as Small Wood K, is a 3-octave scale of thin, flat wooden tongues bridged to a hollow irregular pentagonal resonance chamber. It has a tight, raspy pluck sound with a spacious openness and rich low end. It features 2 stereo mic positions: close and room. It includes finger plucks.

Piezo Tongues is an unusual electric instrument comprised of wooden blocks that clamp a rank of piezoelectric tape strips, each cut to vibrate at a specific frequency to create a chromatic scale. Each strip also acts as its own transducer. When played by plucking, they produce a dry, brisk "fwip" or "pop" in a distinct musical pitch. The instrument sounds almost like a musical pop-gun ensemble.



## CREATIVE CONTROL FEATURES

We've packed the user interface with powerful sound-shaping controls to give you complete flexibility. The **All Woodentines** preset contains the main mic position for all 4 instruments and a host of powerful expression features. There are 4 independent sound layers, each with a full set of parameters that can be linked, automated and customized. These include swell, attack, start offset, release (with pad-mode), vibrato, pan, coarse and fine pitch, sound bank selection, crossfader assignment and chromatic solo. Chromatic solo allows you to choose any sample on the keyboard and solo it as a tuned instrument across the entire key range. It can turn any sound into a playable instrument.

There are presets for each individual instrument: Bamboo Idiount, Big Wooden Kalimba, Piezo Tongues, and Woodkal. The individual presets contain each mic position as independent layers. We used various sound-design tricks to morph the sounds from our journey into tonal ambiances, which can be found in the Layer 3 sound menu (except for Bamboo Idiount, which has a 3rd mic position). They can be played by themselves, or used to add texture and body to the primary sounds in Layers 1 and 2. Lastly, the Sub-Synth layer is a basic synthesizer with 6 simple shapes that can be added for tonal transient and tonal support.

In the advanced settings pull-down window, you'll also find an adaptable LFO system, with selectable LFO shape, modulation target parameter, speed, intensity, tempo-syncing and fade-in time. You can also apply your choice of 13 lowpass, high-pass and FX filters, with assignable modulation targets such as velocity, mod-wheel, expression, after-touch, key position and step-sequencer table control. The LFO and Filter systems are independent for each layer, giving you even more creative possibilities.

You can also use our customizable arpeggiator (also independent for each layer), with a built-in velocity sequencer table and control over arp direction, note timing, swing, randomization and duration. We've also included a key and scale lock system that allows you to constrain your notes to a wide variety of common scales and keys for easy melodic composition and live performance.

The built-in modular FX rack window offers 18 different DSP effect modules that you can assign in any of 10 available slots, in any order that you wish. You'll find classic phase, flanger, delay, distortion, amp and cab simulators, compressors, EQ, rotator and so much more. The Reverb effect includes 99 of our own convolution reverb impulse presets. We've captured a huge variety of different rooms, halls, chambers and outdoor environments, along with 40 unique, strange and creative special effect impulses to completely transform the sound and open up whole new worlds of musical possibility.

This library is Made for the free Kontakt Player and full edition of Kontakt, so anyone can use it. You can also add it to the Libraries rack and if you're a Complete Kontrol user, this library is built and encoded for the Native Instruments NKS Standard, so you can use this library with all S-Series keyboards and Maschine hardware. BH03 Woodentines owners are also automatically eligible for a big discount on a cross-grade to the full edition of Kontakt. [Click here for details!](#)



## BART HOPKIN

has been active in many facets of music-making, including instrument building, performing and recording, composition, arrangement, education, and ethnomusicological research. He is also an established author, with ten books published on the subjects of instrument design and optimization.

In the latter 1970s and early '80s Bart worked as a high school music teacher in public and private schools, doing both choral and instrumental music. Several of those years were at a public secondary school and the national music school in Kingston, Jamaica. There, in addition to teaching, he researched and wrote on Jamaican revival church music and (in some of the most enjoyable field work you could imagine) Jamaican children's songs.



From 1985 to 1999, Bart edited the quarterly journal *Experimental Musical Instruments*. The journal served as an essential resource and clearing house in an otherwise scattered but lively and growing field. After the final issue, *Experimental Musical Instruments* continued as an organization serving people interested in inventive instrument design, producing and selling informational resources as well as hardware for instrument makers.

Since 1974, Bart has been designing and constructing all the far-flung musical instruments he could dream up, with an emphasis on unusual and inventive acoustic art. Now with over 110 original creations, the [Hopkin Instrumentarium](#) continues to grow every year. Soundiron is proud to bring you this inspiring and distinctive series of bespoke instruments not found anywhere else on earth.



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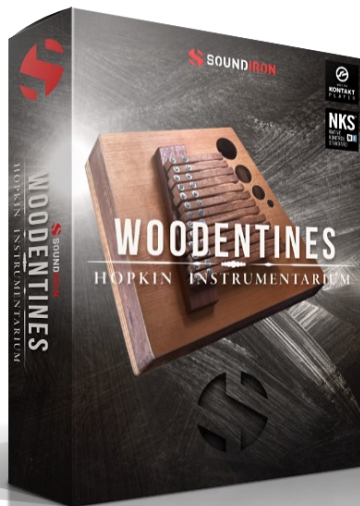
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## HOPKIN INSTRUMENTARIUM

- 6 Master presets and 20 Custom Sound-Designed FX and Ambient presets
- 4 Unique Hand-crafted wooden lamellophones each with 2 mic positions
- Percussive knock effects, glisses and bonus ambient effects, pads and drones
- 10,280 Stereo Samples
- 1.50 GB Installed
- 24-bit, 48 kHz Stereo Lossless NCW Format for Kontakt presets
- Flexible, intuitive multi-layer user interface controls, with LFO, filter, glide, and arpeggiator.
- Modular Rack Multi-FX, including convolution reverb with dozens of Room, Hall and Special Effect Acoustic Environments.

**Note:** Native Instruments Kontakt Player or Kontakt (full version) required, version 6.1 or later. Windows 7 (or later) or macOS 10.12 (or later) is required.

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This library has been licensed for use in the free Kontakt Player, virtual instrument engine. It can be used in Kontakt Player or the full retail version of Kontakt (version 6.1 or later) for VST, AU or AAX instrument plugin formats. You can add this product to the Kontakt “Libraries” browser. It requires online serial number registration through Native Instruments’ Native Access app. This library is fully compatible with Complete Kontrol and all S-Series Keyboards by Native Instruments. Buying BH03 Woodentines also automatically qualifies you for a great cross-grade discount toward the full unlocked version of Kontakt through Native Instruments!

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## SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

This library requires Native Instruments **Kontakt Player version 6.1 or later**, or the full retail version of **Kontakt version 6.1 or later**. The sample files are compressed to lossless 48kHz and 24 bit NCW audio format. Please read all instrument specs and software requirements before purchasing this or any other Soundiron products. **You must have at least Windows version 7 or later, or macOS 10.12 or later.**

Many instrument presets in this library are extremely system resource intensive. We highly recommend that you have a 64-bit operating system (Windows or macOS) with *at least* 3GB of system ram, a multi-core cpu and a 7200 rpm SATA or SSD hard disk before purchasing this particular Soundiron library. Large sample sets like those found in this library may load slowly and may cause system instability on some older machines and audio devices.

## FIDELITY

Natural sonic impurities from body and clothing movement by the performer sounds may be present in some samples. These performance sounds are natural and unavoidable. Therefore, please keep in mind that this library isn't designed to provide perfectly sterile results.

Our goal is to preserve and accentuate the natural live qualities in our instruments without sucking all of the life out of them for the sake of clinical perfection.

## LIBRARY ACTIVATION

1. If you don't already have Kontakt 6 or the Kontakt Player installed, download the Free Kontakt Player (WIN / macOS) from the Native Instruments website. You need Kontakt or Kontakt Player version 6.1 or later to use this library:

<https://www.native-instruments.com/en/products/komplete/samplers/kontakt-6-player/>

2. Please download the library from our server and unpack it completely before trying to install it. You can find full instructions in the download email we send you after your purchase.

3. Make sure all instances of Kontakt are closed and launch Native Access. It is a special program that is automatically installed by Kontakt. Once it is open, find the "Add a serial" button and click it.

4. Next, copy your serial number from the download or serial number email we sent you after your purchase. This registration process is necessary to allow Kontakt and the NI Native Access to activate the product. You usually only need to do this the first time you add and activate this Library.

5. On the next screen after registering your serial number, click the Browse button to the right of the library name. This will allow you to select the folder location that you chose to install this library on your hard drive. Select the folder and then press INSTALL on the next screen to complete the process.

6. Exit Native Access and launch Kontakt. Go to the "Libraries" tab in the Kontakt browser window, located in the upper left area of Kontakt window, just to the right of the "files" tab. You should see this library as a new tile in the Libraries window.

7. You can find the instrument presets by clicking the Instruments button on this library's tile in the Libraries window. You can also browse and load the included .nki presets using the Files, Quick-Load or Database browser windows in Kontakt, or through the main File load/save menu.

8. Please allow any current preset to finish loading completely before loading a new one.



## TROUBLE-SHOOTING

If you have trouble activating and registering the library, make sure that you have full unrestricted Administrator account permissions to change your system registry.

Also check to make sure that your security software is not preventing Kontakt from freely accessing the internet and your registry. You may also need to manually set a full exception and/or special access permissions in your security suite or operating system for Kontakt and Native Access.

## KONTAKT PRESET LOADING

Once installation is complete, you can browse and load the included .nki presets using the Libraries window, Files Browser or Quick Load Window in Kontakt. You can load Kontakt as a virtual instrument plugin inside your host sequencer or as a stand-alone application.

## AUTOMATION

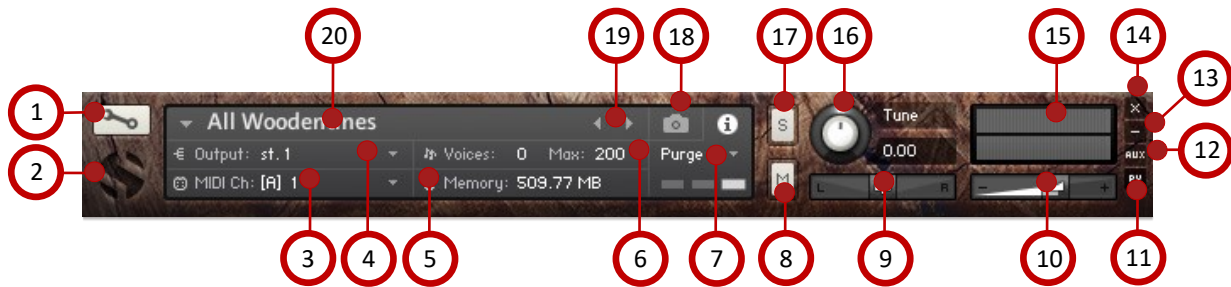
Most knobs, buttons and sliders in this library can be automated by midi continuous controller or by using host automation envelopes in your DAW. To assign any interactive control knob, button or the Sound Selection Menu to a midi CC, you can right-click the control (command-click on macOS) and select the “Learn MIDI CC# Automation” button that appears. Then move your desired midi hardware control to link it.

To assign the control to a host automation ID, use the “Auto” automation routing window in the left side Kontakt browser area to drag-drop an automation routing number onto the control you wish to lock it to.



# KONTAKT INSTRUMENT HEADER

The top area of the user interface includes default instrument controls that are common to all Kontakt instruments.



## 1 - OPEN INSTRUMENT EDITOR button

Click on this to view and edit the internal settings and programming of this instrument. Be careful making internal changes unless you're an experienced Kontakt user, as changes here can easily disable the entire instrument.

## 2 - CLOSE MAIN CONTROL AREA button

Click the S icon to collapse the "Performance View" and just show the Kontakt instrument header bar, as seen above.

## 3 - MIDI INPUT menu

Click the down arrow to route the audio from this instrument to select a midi input source. By default, you can choose Omni to allow the instrument to respond to midi messages and notes on any midi channel, or you can choose a specific midi channel number to control the instrument.

## 4 - OUTPUT menu

Click the down arrow to route the audio from this instrument to any available Kontakt plugin output. You can adjust Output mix and Insert FX settings by showing the main Output window in Kontakt at the bottom of Kontakt (press F2).

## 5 - MEMORY USE display

This displays the amount of system RAM used by the samples and other data required by this instrument.

## 6 - VOICE COUNT AND MAX LIMIT values

This displays the number of voices currently playing on the left and the maximum number of voices that can play before voices are automatically culled. High voice counts can slow down your CPU and cause crackling, popping and other issues. The safe number of voices will vary greatly based on other programs running, the core count and speed of your CPU, available ram, hard drive speed and other factors.

## 7 - PURGE menu

This menu allows you to purge samples from RAM or reload them.

## 8 - MUTE button

This mutes the instrument.

## 9 - PAN slider

This pans the output left or right in the stereo field.

## 10 - MAIN VOLUME slider

This controls the output volume for the instrument.

## 11 - PERFORMANCE VIEW button

This button collapses the "Performance View" to just show the instrument header bar, as seen above.

## 12 - AUXILLARY SENDS button

This opens the Auxiliary Send mixer, allowing you to route signal to the Aux Sends in the main Kontakt Mixer window (Press F2).

## 13 - MINIMIZE ALL button

This collapses the entire instrument UI down to a thin strip.

## 14 - CLOSE button

This closes and removes the instrument from the rack.

## 15 - SIGNAL METES

This displays the current signal level during playback.

## 16 - TUNE knob

This controls the global pitch, by semitone increments up to +/- 36. Hold the shift key down while dragging the knob to adjust pitch in 1 cents (1/100th of a semitone). This is separate from the layer pitch settings in the instrument UI.

## 17 - SOLO button

This solos this instrument and mutes all others in the rack.

## 18 - SNAPSHOTS button

This allows you to save and load snapshot presets for this instrument. Click the "i" button to close the menu.

## 19 - PREVIOUS / NEXT PRESET buttons

These arrows let you skip to the previous or next available preset within the same folder. Be aware that any settings you've change will be lost, so we recommend saving a snapshot after making any changes if you wish to be able to load them again later.

## 20 - PRESET NAME value

This shows the currently loaded preset name.





# USER INTERFACE

The main user interface features a complete set of sound-shaping, layering and articulation controls.



## 1 - ADVANCED CONTROL TAB button

Click on this pull-down tab to open the advanced control window for access to the LFO, Filter and Arpeggiator systems (See pages 8 and 9).

## 2 - LAYER LOCK buttons

This links the (Swell, Attack, Offset, Release, Vibrato and Filter settings for all layers that have their lock button activated. Changing the knob values for one layer applies the same change to all other locked layers. This setting doesn't effect the Invert Swell, Release Mode, Filter Type, Pitch or Articulation Selection Menu settings for each layer

## 3 - LAYER ACTIVATE buttons

This enables a layer to play. Each layer can be independently enabled or disabled, allowing up to 4 layers to play at once.

## 4 - LAYER SELECT buttons

This selects a layer's controls for editing. The lower control area displays the knobs and control settings for the currently

selected layer. However, if the selected layer has its lock engaged, any changes to the knobs will effect all other locked layers as well.

## 5 - VALUE DISPLAY TOGGLE button

This shows/hides the knob control value displays above the knobs when they are not needed.

## 6 - SWELL knob

This controls the volume of the layer, with smooth real-time tonal and dynamic attenuation.

## 7 - ATTACK knob

This controls the note attack shape. Turning this up causes the sound to fade in more gradually. This is useful for softening hard transients and taming aggressive articulations.

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### 8 - OFFSET knob

This cuts into the sample start, allowing sample playback to skip past the beginning of the sound. You can use this to make the sound more pad-like or to remove hard transient starts, especially when combined with the Attack knob. It's also great for creating glitchy effects.

### 9 - RELEASE MODE down-arrow menu

This is mainly used for sustaining articulations and long notes. In Normal mode, notes fade out quickly as soon as they're released. In Pad mode, the range of the Release knob is multiplied, allowing much longer fade-out times. This control is independent of the layer lock function.

### 10 - RELEASE TIME knob

This controls the duration of the release. Lower values cause the sound to fade out more quickly after a note is released, while higher values fade the sound out more slowly.

### 11 - VIBRATO knob

This applies basic vibrato to the sound. It is separate from the LFO controls in the Advanced Control window.

### 12 - PAN knob

This knob controls the stereo panning for the layer.

### 13 - PITCH COARSE & FINE nested knobs

These nested knobs control semitone and cent tuning for the current layer. The outer knob shifts the pitch in semitone increments by up to +/- 36 semitones. The inner knob shifts the pitch in cent (1/100th semitone) increments by up to +/- 50 cents (1/2 semitone). Use this to shift octaves, create chords with other layers or fine-tune the sound of each layer. This control is independent of the layer lock function.

### 14 - PITCH DISPLAY values

These read-outs show the pitch of the current layer in semitone and cent +/- offset values. The upper box shows semitone value of the outer pitch knob. The lower box shows the cent value for the inner pitch knob. A value of 0 will play the articulation at its natural pitch at middle C. A value below 0 means that the sound has been pitched down, while a value above 0 means the sound is pitched up. This control is independent of the layer lock function.

### 15 - X-FADE ASSIGN buttons

These buttons assign the currently selected Layer to the X-Fade slider. This allows you to create custom combinations of layers which you can easily and smoothly crossfade between.

### 16 - SELECT ARTICULATION drop-down menu

This allows you to choose the articulation for the current layer. Each layer has its own independent menu. The articulation menus are not effected by the layer lock function.

### 17 - CHROMATIC SPREAD button\* ◀▶▶

This button allows you to select an individual sample to spread chromatically up and down the entire key range. Press the button to activate the selection mode, ◀▶▶ then press the desired keyboard key. ◀▶▶ Press the button again to exit individual chromatic spread mode.

### 18 - LAYER 4 SELECT button

This selects the 4th layer. In the individual instrument presets, this is the synthesizer layer with a choice of 6 basic synthesizer waveform shapes. The sub-synth layer can be used to add bass, reinforce the tone of percussive and atmospheric sounds and to create new sonic combinations with other layers.

### 19 - ARTICULATION NEXT/PREV buttons

These buttons allow you to quickly and easily jump to the next or previous articulation for the current layer.

### 20 - X-FADE slider

This smoothly crossfades between layers A and B. Drag the glowing indicator horizontally to blend between layers. Note that this will have no effect on layers that are assigned to "none" in the X-FADE ASSIGN section for the layer.

\*Note: Chromatic Spread only available in certain menu items.

## TIPS

**Offset** allows sample playback to start later than the sample's beginning, which means playback can begin in the middle of a waveform. This naturally can cause a pop or snap to occur. When using the offset control, we recommend also adjusting the Attack to prevent popping, unless you would like to create sharp, glitchy effects.

**Layering:** You can create unique musical and tonal combinations by combining different articulations from multiple layers. We especially experimenting with creative control settings like pitching down one layer up and another layer down by an octave to create octave layering, or using the sub synth layer to reinforce note tonality or pitched down to generate extreme bass presence.

**Automation:** You can automate layer articulation selection changes in real-time by Right-Clicking (PC) or Command-Clicking (OSX) on the articulation menu. Or you can open the "Auto" browser panel on the left side of Kontakt, then click on an Midi CC or Host Automation ID number you wish to assign to a control and drag it onto the knob, menu or button in the UI that you wish to automate. In fact, nearly every control and menu can be automated with either of these same methods.



## ADVANCED CONTROL WINDOW

The advanced control window can be opened and closed by clicking on the Pull-down tab's down-arrows at the top of the UI. It contains the per-layer LFO, Filter and Arpeggiation systems. The global **Keyswitches** button turns off all keyswitches, allowing you to access a greater range of playable notes. The global **Purge Unused Samples** unloads all samples for layers that are currently turned off.



### LFO

#### LFO button

This engages the LFO system.

#### WAVEFORM buttons and menu

Click the shape buttons or use the down-arrow menu to choose an LFO wave shape. You can choose between Sine, Square, Triangle, Saw-tooth and Random.

#### TARGET menu

Use this to assign the LFO to these parameters: Volume, Bass, Treble, Pitch, Pan, Filter Resonance and Frequency.

#### LFO LOCK button

This locks the LFO speed to your DAW's tempo when Kontakt's BPM "EXT" button is off. If the EXT button is on, this will lock to Kontakt's internal bpm setting.

#### TIME / BEAT knob

This controls the speed of the LFO. When locked, the Beat knob selects note length values. When unlocked, the speed is measured in milliseconds.

#### INTENS. knob

This controls the intensity of the LFO oscillation.

#### FADE knob

Use this to fade in the oscillation after the note starts.

### FILTER

#### FILTER button

This engages the Filter system.

#### TYPE menu

Select from 13 different filter types with this menu.

#### SOURCE menu

Select from 12 different sources for the filter with this menu, or set it to none.

#### STEP SEQUENCER table

Adjustable from 2 - 32 steps by either clicking the number to the right to type in a value or clicking on the number and dragging it up or down. This table is only active when Target is set to Graph Frequency or Graph Resonance. The table plays from left to right.

#### RESO. knob

This controls the amount of resonance applied to the filter.

#### FREQ. knob

This sets the cut-off frequency for the filter in each source window.

#### INVERT button

This button inverts the action of the filter modulation.

### SCALE LOCK

#### LOCK button

Click the lock icon next to the SCALE LOCK label to turn on the key/scale locking system. This allows you to easily play within a desired key and scale. When active, the midi keys that are excluded from the current scale will trigger the same note as the key below them, so go ahead and be sloppy if you like!

#### KEY menu

This menu selects the key that you wish to constrain all incoming midi notes to.

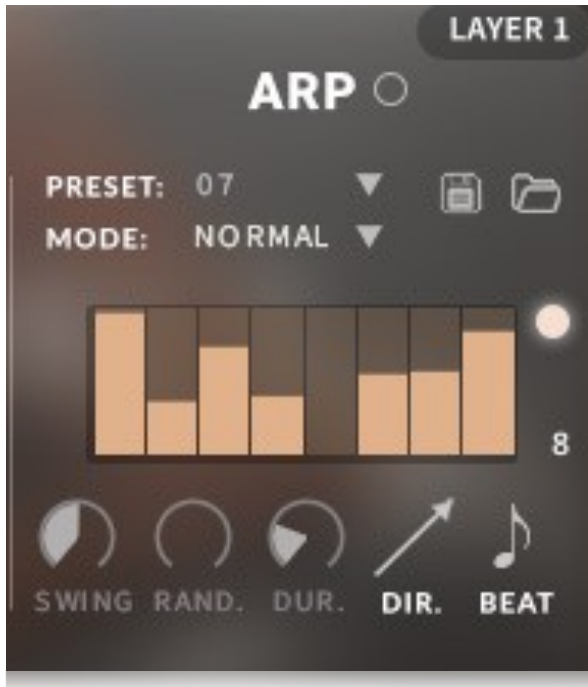
#### SCALE menu

This menu lets you select from a variety of scales, in the key that you have selected.



## ARPEGGIATOR

The “ARP” section lets you create, save and load your own arpeggios, rhythmic patterns and step sequences for each layer. To turn it on, click the radio button next to the ARP label.



### MODE menu

This menu controls the Arpeggiator hold mode.

- **Normal** sets it to respond only while a note is pressed, cycling through all held notes as it arpeggiates.
- **Hold** sets it to automatically sustain one note at a time, (monophonic) so that changing keys changes the note that is repeating.
- **Hold +/-** sets it to allow new notes to be added to the automated chain of repeats.

### TABLE STEPS value

This setting determines the number of velocity steps that will be cycled through in the sequence. You can change the value by double clicking the number or clicking and dragging it up or down.

### SWING knob

This adds pre-beat or post-beat swing to the arpeggiated rhythm.

### ARP button

This turns the arpeggiator on and off.

### PRESET menu

Use this menu to select and load any of our factory arpeggiator presets.

### SAVE button

This “disk” icon button allows you to save and export your ARP settings to an nka preset file.

### LOAD button

This “folder” icon allows you to import and load your previously saved Arp panel settings from an nka file.

### VELOCITY GRAPH table

Use the graph to draw the velocity for each step in your desired arpeggio sequence. The table plays from left to right. The button on the right enables the graph. When this graph is off, the pattern will use the velocities of the incoming midi notes as you play.

### RAND. knob

This knob applies natural variability to the speed and velocity values.

### DUR. knob

This allows the duration of notes to be shortened or extended without changing the overall timing.

### DIR. menu

The Direction menu controls the arp direction and behavior, with 14 different patterns to choose from: Up, Down, Up-Down, Down-Up, Zig-Zag Up, Zig-Zag Down, Zig-Zag Up-Down, Zig-Zag Down-Up, Move-In, Move-Out, In & Out, Out & In, EZ-Roll, Random and As Played.

To automate the DIR. menu in real-time, you can right click (PC) or command click (Mac) on the menu. Then click the “Learn Midi CC# automation” pop-up button and move the midi controller that you wish to assign.

### BEAT menu

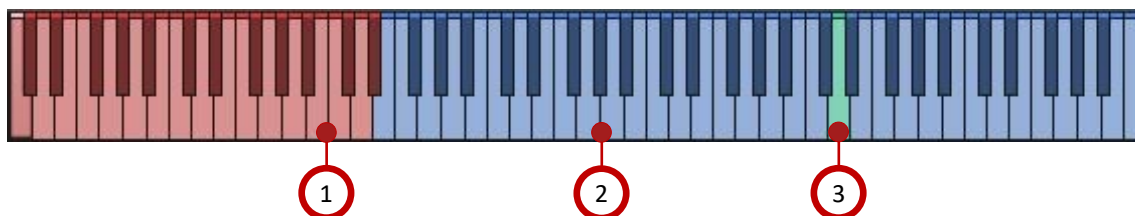
This menu lets you choose the note time, with quarter note, triplet, 8th note, 8th triplet, 16th note and 16th triplet.



## KEYBOARD DISPLAY

The Kontakt presets display colored keys in Kontakt's keyboard view panel. To show the keyboard view, press F3 or click the window menu at the top of Kontakt. This key coloring is also shown in Native Instruments' Komplete Kontrol software and all S-Series Keyboards and other NKS Standard compatible software and hardware.

### STANDARD AND AMBIENCE PRESET KEYS



#### 1 - ARTICULATION/SOUND key-switches

Pressing one of these red keys will change currently selected articulation or sound, visible in the drop-down menus.

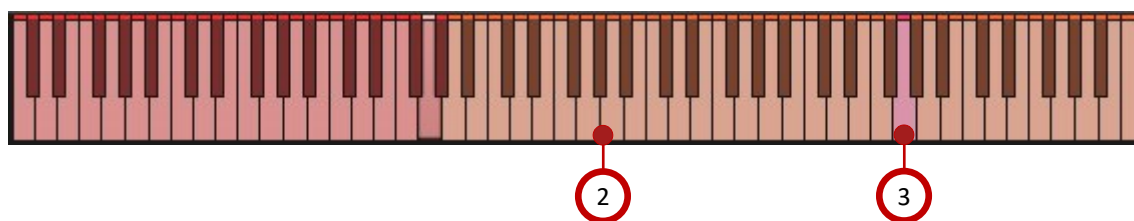
#### 2 - PLAYABLE keys

These blue keys are the standard playable, chromatic keys.

#### 3 - ROOT key

This turquoise key represents a given sounds natural root. The playable range above and below is stretched from this point. *\*Note: This is only available in the Ambiences preset.*

### CHROMATIC SPREAD KEYS



#### 2 - PLAYABLE SPREAD keys

Once a root key has been established with Chromatic Spread on, the keys above and below the root become the playable range. They are chromatically tuned up and down from the root key.

#### 3 - ROOT key

This colored key is the selected root key when Chromatic Spread has been activated.

## DSP EFFECTS RACK

The FX Rack tab gives you direct access to 18 of Kontakt's built-in special effects and dynamic processors. This panel is accessible in all presets by clicking on the FX Rack tab button at the bottom of the instrument UI. Signal flows from left to right in each row and goes down from there. The last two sockets are Post Send effects, mixed in at the final stage before signal output. To change the effect loaded into any specific rack module socket, click on the down arrow menu in its top left corner.



## FX CHAIN PRESETS

**Select Preset menu** - This menu lets you select from any of our stock presets and any custom presets you create.

**Save button** - Once you've customized your FX chain, you can save it for later use in this rack by pressing this.

**Delete button** - Use this to delete the currently selected custom preset. Factory presets can't be deleted.

**Reset button** - This unloads all effects and resets the entire FX rack to its default state.

**Descriptions and control definitions for all effect modules are on the next 4 pages...**



## DSP EFFECTS RACK (continued...)

### JUMP

**Power switch** - Toggles the amp simulation on and off.

**Boost button** - This boosts the incoming signal strength.

**Drive knob** - This controls the amount of gain added.

**Tone knob** - This shapes tone brightness.



**Low, Mid & High knobs** - These control the low, mid and high frequency gain.

**Vol knob** - This sets the overall output volume.

### DISTORTION

**Power switch** - Toggles the distortion on and off.

**Drive knob** - This knob controls the amount of gain added.

**Damping knob** - This shapes tone brightness.



**Output knob** - This sets the overall output volume.

### DELAY

**Power switch** - Toggles the delay on and off.

**Synch button** - This synchronizes the rate to your BPM.

**Rate knob** - This controls the echo rate. In synch mode, it changes time signature by note divisions.

**Damping knob** - This controls high frequency roll-off



**Pan knob** - This controls the left-right ping pong effect.

**Feedback knob** - This controls delay loop feedback

**Mix knob** - This adjusts the wet/dry output mix.

### REVERB

**Power switch** - Toggles the convolution reverb on and off.

**Type menu** - This menu selects the environment category.

**Impulse menu** - This menu selects the impulse response. There are 139 unique reverb and FX spaces to choose from.

**Size knob** - This controls the reflection decay time.



**Lopass knob** - This controls high frequency roll-off.

**Hipass knob** - This controls low frequency cut-off

**Mix** - This adjusts the wet/dry output mix.

### AMP

**Power switch** - Toggles the amp on and off.

**Drive knob** - This controls the amount of gain added.

**Bass, Mid & Treble knobs** - These knobs control the low, mid and high frequency gain.



**Volume knob** - This sets the overall output volume.



## DSP EFFECTS RACK (continued...)

### TRANSIENT MASTER

**Power button** - Toggles the dynamic processor on and off.

**Attack knob** - This controls the amount of signal boost or cut for the note attack transient.

**Sustain knob** - This controls the sustain volume following a transient, shaping the fullness of the sound.



**Gain knob** - This controls the amount of gain added to the output signal.

### CABINET

**Power switch** - Toggles the speaker simulation on and off.

**Model menu** - Selects the model of speaker to simulate.

**Size knob** - Controls the simulated size of the speakers.

**Air** - Use this to adjust the simulated distance between the speaker and the microphone.



**Treble & Bass knobs** - These adjust the level of the low and high EQ bands.

**Output knob** - This sets the overall output volume.

### FILTER

**Power button** - Toggles the filter on and off.

**Type menu** - This menu lets you select from dozens of low pass, high pass, band pass, notch, ladder and other filter types.

**Cutoff/Talk knob** - This controls the filter cutoff and/or peak frequency.



**Resonance/Sharpness knob** - This controls the amount of resonance added at the cutoff or peak node.

**Gain/Size knob** - This controls signal pass-through level.

### FLANGER

**Power switch** - Toggles the flanger on and off.

**Sync button** - This synchronizes the rate to your BPM.

**Rate knob** - Controls the modulation rate, in milliseconds or note length divisions if Sync is off.

**Feedback knob** - This adjusts the amount of feedback.



**Phase knob** - This controls the phase.

**Depth knob** - This controls the depth of the sweep.

**Mix knob** - This adjusts the wet/dry output mix.

### COMPRESSOR

**Power switch** - Toggles the compressor on and off.

**Threshold knob** - This adjusts the signal threshold needed before compression is applied.

**Ratio knob** - This controls the ratio of gain added or removed based on incoming signal level above the threshold.

**Attack knob** - This controls the compressor attack speed once signal exceeds the threshold



**Release knob** - This controls the release speed once signal drops below the threshold.

**Makeup knob** - This adjusts the additional make-up gain to add to the output after compression is applied.



## DSP EFFECTS RACK (continued...)

### LO FI

**Power button** - Toggles bit destruction on and off.

**Bits knob** - This sets the level of bit depth reduction.

**Sample Rate knob** - This sets the level of sample rate quality reduction.

**Noise knob** - This knob adds noise to the signal.



**Color knob** - This knob adjusts tone brightness and apparent fidelity.

**Output knob** - This sets the overall output volume.

### PHASER

**Power Button** - Toggles the phaser on and off.

**Synch button** - This synchronizes the rate to your BPM.

**Rate knob** - Controls the modulation rate, in milliseconds or note length divisions if Synch is off.

**Feedback knob** - This adjusts the amount of feedback.



**Phase knob** - This knob controls the phase center.

**Depth** - This controls the depth of the phase sweep.

**Mix knob** - This adjusts the wet/dry output mix.

### ROTATOR

**Power Button** - This turns the rotating speaker effect on and off.

**Speed** - This button toggles between fast & slow speaker cabinet rotation speeds.

**Size** - Use this knob to adjust the simulated size of the speaker cabinet.



**Air** - Use this knob to adjust the simulated distance between the speaker and the microphone.

**Output** - This sets the overall output volume.

### SKREAMER

**Power Button** - Toggles the distortion effect on and off.

**Drive** - This knob controls the amount of gain added.

**Tone** - This sets the overall signal tone.

**Bass & Bright** - These control low & high frequency gain



**Clean** - This sets the amount of clean signal pass-through.

**Output** - This sets the overall output volume.

### STEREO MODEL

**Power Button** - Toggles the stereo image effect on and off.

**Spread** - This knob controls the stereo width of the signal. It ranges from centered mono to ultra-wide stereo.

**Pan** - This knob sets the final left-right stereo pan direction of the processed signal.



## DSP EFFECTS RACK (continued...)

### EQ

**Power button** - Toggles the effect on and off.

**Low, Mid and Hi Frequency Gain sliders** - Use these to adjust the level of the low, mid and high EQ bands.

**Low, Mid and Hi Frequency knobs** - These control the center frequency of the low, mid and high frequency EQ bands.



### CHORUS

**Power Button** - Toggles the effect on and off.

**Synch button** - This synchronizes the rate to your BPM.

**Rate knob** - Controls the modulation rate, in milliseconds or note length divisions if Synch is off.

**Phase knob** - This controls the phase.



**Depth knob** - This controls the depth of the chorus sweep.

**Mix knob** - This adjusts the wet/dry output mix.

### TAPE SATURATOR

**Power button** - Toggles the effect on and off.

**Gain knob** - This controls the amount of gain added.

**Warm knob** - This allows you to add tonal warmth

**Rolloff knob** - Controls high frequency attenuation.



**Volume knob** - This knob controls the overall output level.



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