

Native Instruments Announces GUITAR RIG 5 PRO

Leading effects platform is expanded with new amps and effects, advanced cabinet simulation, sidechaining functionality and more

Berlin, August 1st, 2011 – Native Instruments today announced GUITAR RIG 5 PRO, the next generation of its versatile effects studio. The new version expands the comprehensive feature set of the software with additional amplifiers and effects, advanced speaker emulation, and various new creative features that make GUITAR RIG even more powerful both for studio production and live performance.

In a further addition to its carefully selected arsenal of authentically modeled guitar amplifiers, GUITAR RIG 5 introduces the new „Van51“ and „HotSolo+“ models, adding two distinctive flavors of heavily overdriven amplification for intense solos and heavy riffs. The comprehensive collection of effects in GUITAR RIG is expanded with six new components – including an additional classic compressor model, the versatile „vintage verb“ with various plate and spring emulations, a compact studio-grade convolution reverb based on the acclaimed REFLEKTOR, an analog-modeled 8-band filterbank, the new „stereo tune“ chorus, and the unique „Resochord“ harmonizer.

GUITAR RIG 5 also introduces the ultimate facility for flexible and intricate speaker emulation with its new convolution-based „Control Room Pro“ module. From a comprehensive collection of 27 cabinets and 16 microphones, up to eight cabinets can be combined at a time, each with individual mic placement and room sound controls, enabling an unlimited array of guitar tones for sophisticated studio productions.

The new sidechaining function in GUITAR RIG 5 opens up the world of advanced studio-level dynamic processing, and also perfectly complements the new range of GUITAR RIG-based studio processors such as VINTAGE COMPRESSORS and SOLID MIX SERIES. The sidechain can be assigned to any stereo input of the software, and can be utilized for all compressor modules in GUITAR RIG 5 as well as in several of the Modifier modules, allowing for more refined dynamic processing and a wide range of creative techniques.

The performance features of GUITAR RIG 5 are further enhanced through the new „Container“, which allows users to easily create, control and recall encapsulated effect chains. With up to sixteen flexible macro controls, it also provides extremely powerful and intuitive real-time tone shaping both for guitarists and electronic live performers.

Pricing and availability

GUITAR RIG 5 PRO will be available in September 2011 for a \$199 / 179 EUR, and will also be included in the new KOMplete 8 and KOMplete 8 ULTIMATE bundles. The software will also be available in combination with the RIG KONTROL pedalboard controller as GUITAR RIG 5 KONTROL for a suggested retail price of \$449 / 399 EUR. A software update for owners of previous GUITAR RIG versions will be available for \$79 / 69 EUR.

Further product information and press material

Additional information on the new GUITAR RIG 5 range is available at

www.native-instruments.com/guitarrig5pro

A digital press kit including picture material is available at

www.native-instruments.com/press.info

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About Native Instruments

Native Instruments is a leading manufacturer of software and hardware for computer-based music production and DJing. The company's mission is to develop innovative, fully integrated solutions for all professions, styles and genres. The resulting products regularly push technological boundaries and open up new creative horizons for professionals and amateurs alike.

Native Instruments opened up the fascinating world of real-time sound synthesis on standard computers in 1996, and today offers an extensive product range for musicians, producers and DJs. The company currently employs around 250 people in its two offices in Berlin and Los Angeles, and works closely with more than 40 international distribution partners to ensure its future growth and success.