

Native Instruments releases TRAKTOR KONTROL X1 MK2

The redesigned DJ performance controller for TRAKTOR PRO 2 is now available in stores worldwide

Berlin, August 6, 2013 – Native Instruments today released the updated TRAKTOR KONTROL X1, a new version of its compact and highly popular decks and effects controller. With the same size and robust product design as the original controller, TRAKTOR KONTROL X1's new features include touch-sensitive Browse and Loop encoders, 7-segment displays and LEDs for visual feedback, and an innovative multi-purpose touch strip for added tactile control. When combined with TRAKTOR PRO, the X1 MK2 delivers plug-and-play physical control over 2 track decks and 2 freely assignable TRAKTOR FX units – with or without the use of turntables or CDJs. The TRAKTOR KONTROL X1 MK2 is now available in stores worldwide and at the NI Online Shop.

TRAKTOR KONTROL X1 MK2 allows direct control over playback, browse, cue, sync and loop functionality, and now introduces a button for dedicated Flux mode access. 7-segment displays, LEDs, and quality RGB back-lit buttons that match color with cue point types provide precise visual feedback even in the darkest conditions. The most significant new addition is a multi-purpose touch strip that delivers physical command over track position, pitch bend, and effects. Actions such as nudging, needle dropping, track seeking or setting loop length are now possible through simple finger swiping for customizable tactile control over these parameters in TRAKTOR PRO 2. LED indicators help DJs keep track of the assigned parameter without having to look at the computer screen.

Furthermore, the new TRAKTOR KONTROL X1 MK2 hardware now provides even more dedicated control over TRAKTOR PRO 2. Advanced Browse and Loop encoders respond to touch, providing direct access to different views and functions in TRAKTOR PRO 2.

Pricing and availability

TRAKTOR KONTROL X1 MK2 is now available at retailers worldwide and at the NI Online Shop for \$229 / 199 € / 20,800 ¥.

All X1 customers receive a personal \$50 / 50 € / ¥ 5000 e-voucher delivered by email upon registration of the X1 hardware.

Further product information and press material

Additional information on TRAKTOR KONTROL X1 is available at:
www.native-instruments.com/traktorkontrolx1

A digital press kit including picture material is available at:
www.native-instruments.com/press.info

A video of legendary house DJ Felix da Housecat working with the TRAKTOR KONTROL X1 MK2, is available on YouTube at www.youtube.com/watch?v=valZJch5i6s

To stay up to date with Felix da Housecat, please see the links below. Felix is also currently running his residency 'Clandestin' every Friday night at Space, Ibiza.

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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 over 350 people in its four offices in Berlin, Los Angeles, Tokyo and Shenzhen and works closely with more than 40 international distribution partners to ensure its future growth and success.