

Native Instruments updates KOMplete KONTROL software to version 1.8

Free update brings new scale and chord features, along with improved support for clock-based instruments

Berlin, March 1, 2017 – Native Instruments today released a free update to its KOMplete KONTROL software. Version 1.8.0, available now via Native Access, includes three key features:

- **New Smart Play scales**
The Smart Play scale engine now includes more than 100 new scales and modes, making it easier than ever to take melodies and harmonies in new directions.
- **Enhanced Smart Play chord features**
Users now have full control over the position of individual notes within automatically generated chords. Set to Auto, KOMplete KONTROL will select voicings that result in the most natural transitions between chords.
- **Stand-alone transport control**
When running in stand-alone mode, KOMplete KONTROL's transport controls can now be used to start, stop, restart, or adjust the tempo of clock-based instruments such as REAKTOR Blocks.

Additionally, the update provides enhanced integration with the MASCHINE plug-in: Pressing REC on the KOMplete KONTROL S-Series keyboard now arms MASCHINE itself, enabling users to record directly into the sequencer.

To receive the update, KOMplete KONTROL users should log into Native Access and install version 1.8 from the Available Updates tab. The download is 175 MB for macOS users, and 188 MB for Windows users. Native Access can be downloaded [here](#) for free.

Bug fixes

In addition to the above features, KOMplete KONTROL 1.8 addresses several known bugs:

- Fixed issue where Chord Type > Octave played an incorrect interval with certain scales
- Fixed Windows issue where KOMplete KONTROL's hardware service would not restart after installation under certain circumstances
- Fixed issue where automation strings would be displayed as 0-1 in hosts under certain circumstances
- Fixed macOS issue where KOMplete KONTROL could be started in 32-bit mode
- Fixed issue where the Arpeggiator could trigger Control Keys when loading a module via the Plug-in menu

Pricing and availability

The KOMplete KONTROL 1.8 update is free for existing users and available via native access.

Further product information and press material

Additional information on KOMplete KONTROL is available at:

www.native-instruments.com/kompletekontrol

A video overview of the new features, featuring music production trainer Matt Cellitti, is available at:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=XBLzIYLksw

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 more than 400 people in its six offices in Berlin, Los Angeles, Tokyo, London, Paris, and Shenzhen and works closely with more than 40 international distribution partners to ensure its future growth and success.

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