



TRAKTOR DJ Studio 2 – Quick Reference

Welcome...

...to **TRAKTOR DJ Studio 2**, the latest and most advanced version of the software that changed the way DJs think about computers. We've introduced a number of exciting new features and improved the look and feel that made TRAKTOR the only choice for serious DJs looking to bring digital files into the mix. No other software or hardware can offer a DJ more power and flexibility than **TRAKTOR DJ Studio 2**.

This Quick Reference gives you an introduction to the powerful new features of **TRAKTOR DJ Studio 2**. Use it to get acquainted with the basic operations of the program before diving into the numerous advanced features in detail.

The Head Panel

Help: clicking on the Help icon opens the comprehensive "About Dialog", which contains useful links to the Traktor Online FAQ, the Online Forum, Online Registration and more.

Panel Button: used to selectively open and close the various Traktor Panels.

Setup: click on the setup icon to open the setup dialog.

Close: clicking this icon will close TRAKTOR DJ Studio.

Full Screen: use this icon to switch TRAKTOR DJ Studio to Full Screen mode (Windows only).

The diagram shows the Traktor DJ Studio 2 Head Panel with the following icons from left to right: Traktor logo, MASTER, FILTER, LOOP, MIXER, BROWSER, and a set of control icons. The control icons include a help icon (question mark), a panel button (four small squares), a setup icon (wrench and screwdriver), a close icon (X), and a full screen icon (two overlapping rectangles). Callout boxes provide detailed instructions for each of these icons.



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The Audio Setup

Before you get started you must select the soundcard that will be used for your TRAKTOR session. Open the setup dialog by clicking on the Setup icon in the upper right corner of the interface and select the Audio tab.

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2.: Select the Audio Tab from the top of the setup dialog.

3.: Select the Audio Device you want to use for your Traktor session.

4. Select the Master Output Channels; Traktor will send the master output signal to these channels of your soundcard.

5. Select the Monitor Output Channels: Traktor will send the monitor (headphone) output signal to these channels of your soundcard.

6.: Confirm your selection by clicking OK.

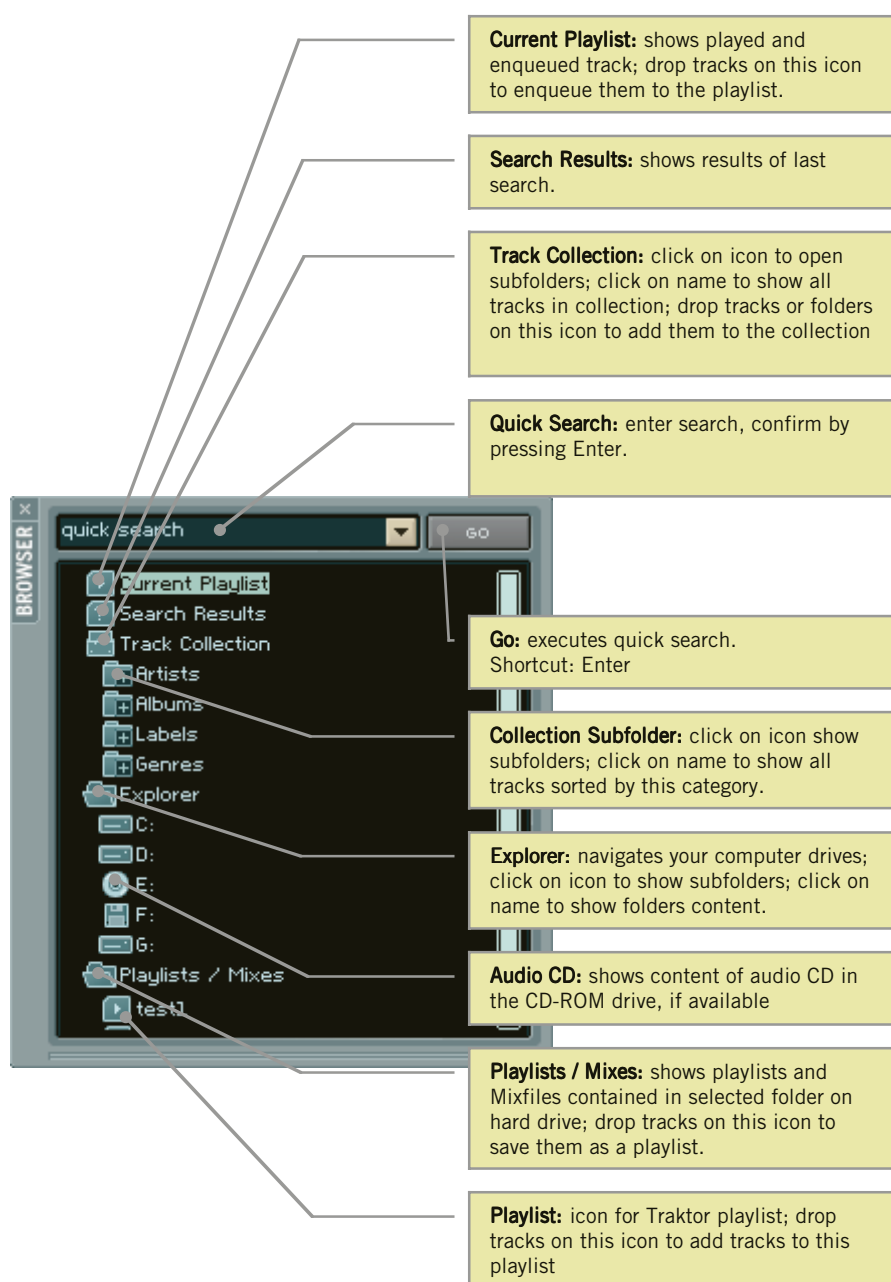
Latency: In the event there are audio problems, come back to the audio setup to tweak the latency settings or to select another driver for your soundcard. Try out all available drivers listed in the device pull down menu and increase latency if you encounter audio dropouts.



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The File Browser Tree Window

The **Tree Window** gives you fast access to all the music files on your computer. The first time you start TRAKTOR DJ Studio 2 you should import all music files into the **Track Collection** by dragging your music folders from the Explorer Icon to the Track Collection Icon. Once you've done this you have access to your music via **Categories** and **Quick Search**, as described below.





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The File Browser Tree Window

The **File Browser** is your working space. It shows playlists (record boxes) and special icons that monitor the state of your set.

The screenshot shows the File Browser window with a table of tracks and various control buttons. Callouts provide detailed explanations for the icons and buttons:

- Delete:** deletes selected tracks from playlist or collection.
- Reset:** resets playlist icons or clears Current Playlist.
- Edit:** opens track properties dialog.
- Search Results:** opens advanced search window.
- Load / Save Playlist:** use to load and save the Current Playlist.
- Pre-Listening:** starts / stops pre-listening of selected track. Shortcut:
- Seek:** drag slider to seek through selected track. Shortcut:
- Current Track:** icon identifying the tracks currently loaded into the decks.
- Next Track:** icon identifying the track that will be loaded next.
- Pre-listened Track:** icon identifying the currently pre-listened track.
- Already Played Track:** icon identifying already played tracks.
- Enqueued Tracks:** icon identifying tracks that have already been enqueued to the Current Playlist.

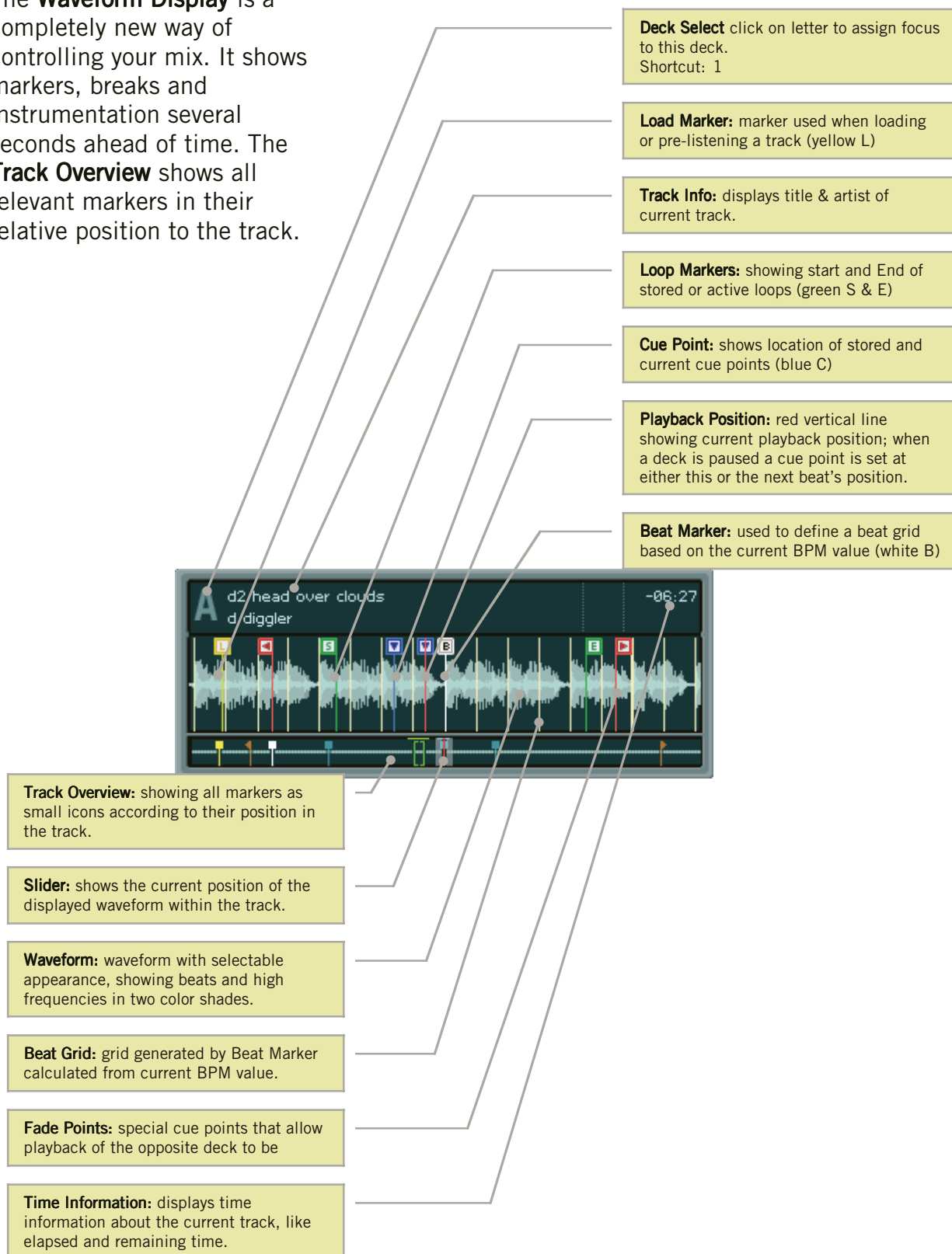
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002	Miura			00%	02	electronicbody-housem	Environ Records
003	Warriors (Jam)			00%	03	electronicbody-housem	Playhouse
004	You Can't Have It Bot			00%	04	electronicbody-housem	DFA Records
005	Working Night	John McVie	05:00	100%	05	electronicbody-housem	Logistic Records
006	Behind The Wheel			00%	06	electronicbody-housem	IK7 Records
007	2 After 909			00%	07	electronicbody-housem	Kompakt
008	Where U At			00%	08	electronicbody-housem	Classic Recordings
009	For Disco Play Only			00%	09	electronicbody-housem	Tribute
010	Elastobabe	Pantytac	05:35	129.0 (100%)	10	electronicbody-housem	Perlon
011	Expressions	Bobby Wonders feat. Massi	07:54	120.0 (100%)			



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The Waveform Display

The **Waveform Display** is a completely new way of controlling your mix. It shows markers, breaks and instrumentation several seconds ahead of time. The **Track Overview** shows all relevant markers in their relative position to the track.

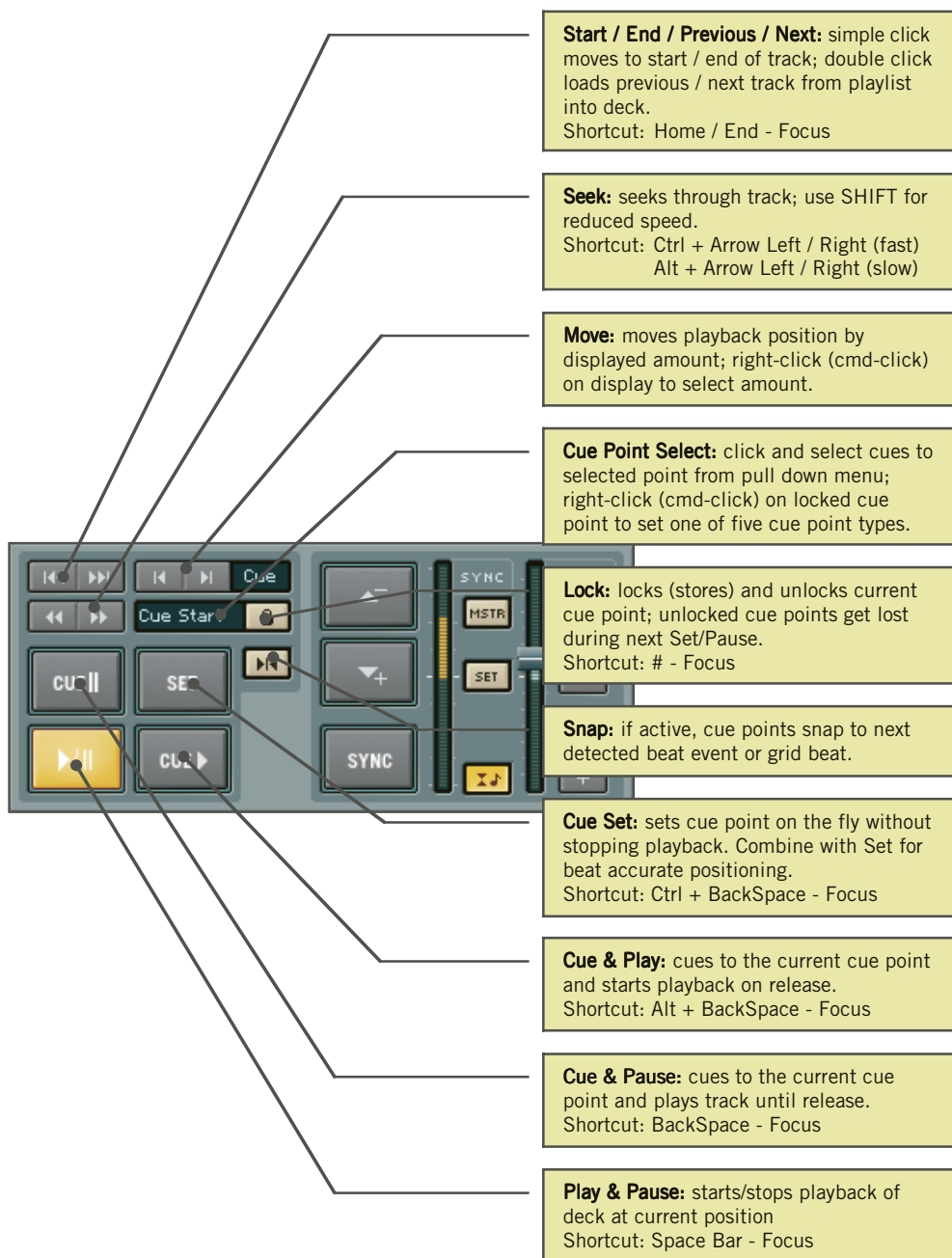




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Playback & Cue

Classic functions known from DJ hardware combine with revolutionary new features, like "Snap to Beat", to give extensive control over the mix.





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Pitch & Sync

Discover TRAKTOR's fantastic syncing functions. Making beat accurate transitions has never been easier: you see what you hear.

Tempo Display: shows the current resulting bpm value, pitch amount and horizontal bpm quality bar; tap on bpm value to improve tempo reading; right-click (cmd-click) to open tempo settings. Shortcut: T (for tapping) – Focus

- 4 tapping events select tempo range
- over 8 tapping events for manual tempo input

Pitch (Tempo) Fader: up / down changes playback speed; select overall range in preferences.

Master Tempo: switches sync reference from other deck to master clock; also use lock to slave deck.

Offset Meter: displays offset relative to sync reference (other deck or master clock); shows form +1/2 to -1/2 beat.

Pitch Bend: momentarily slows down or speeds up the deck to correct the offset. Shortcut: V / N - Focus

Set Offset: calibrates offset meter; when pressed the current offset is defined to be new zero offset.

Sync: sets speed of deck to match bpm and beats of sync reference by pitch bending or by instant phase shift. Shortcut: B - Focus

Key Lock on / off: determines if Sync is made by a Pitch Bend (off) or by instant phase shift (on).

Reset Tempo: resets deck to original tempo. Shortcut: Alt + B

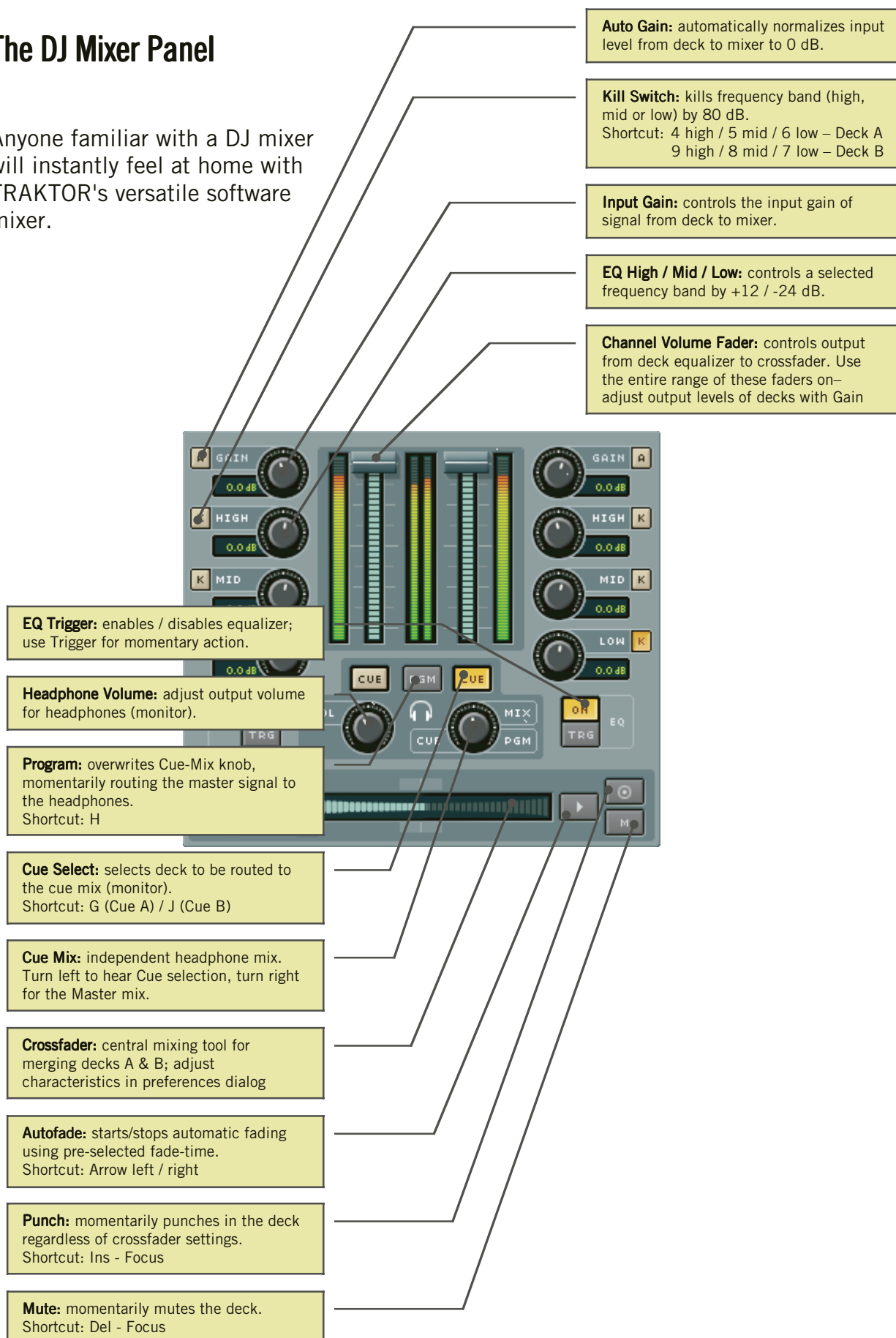
Tempo up / down: increases / decreases speed of deck by 0,5% or 0,05% (shift-click). Shortcut: C / V - Focus



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The DJ Mixer Panel

Anyone familiar with a DJ mixer will instantly feel at home with TRAKTOR's versatile software mixer.

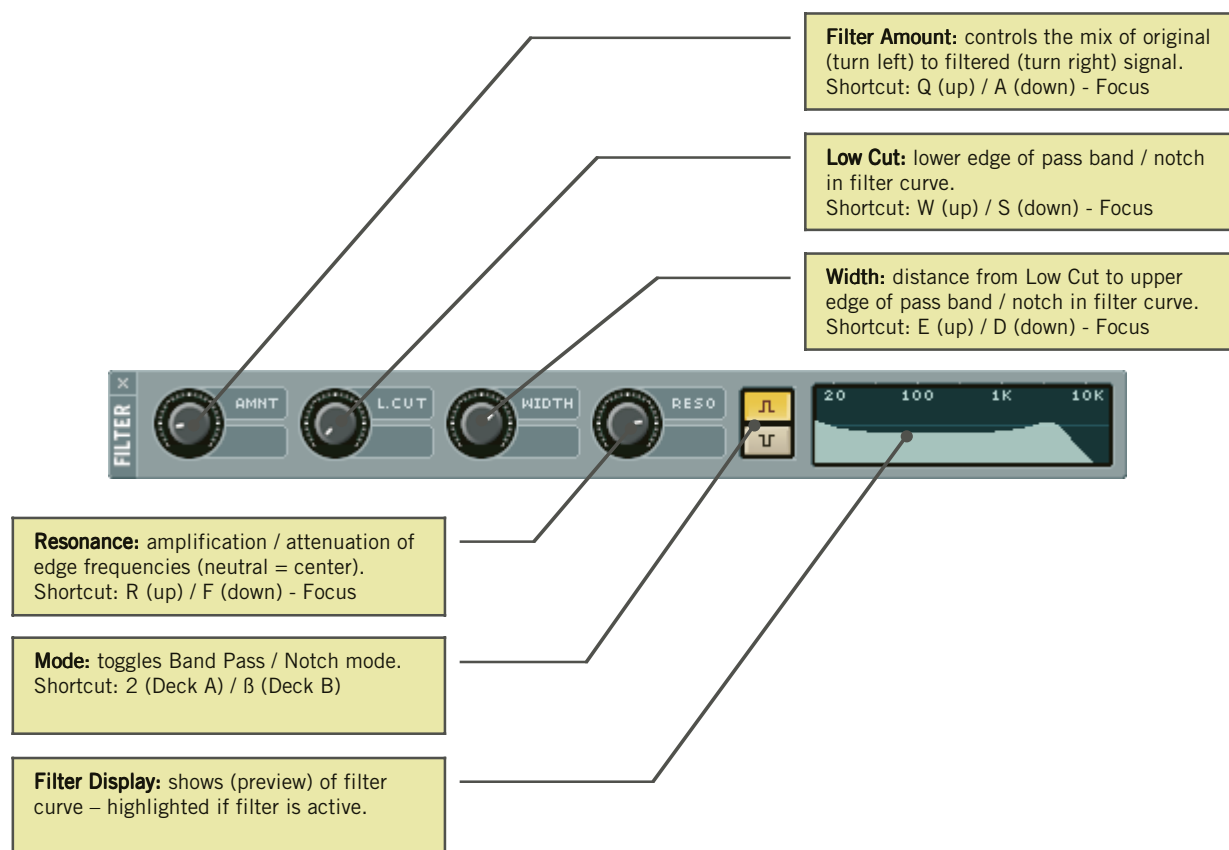




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The Filter Panel

This module gives to you more control over the sound than any equalizer. Just try it out and you'll see what we mean!

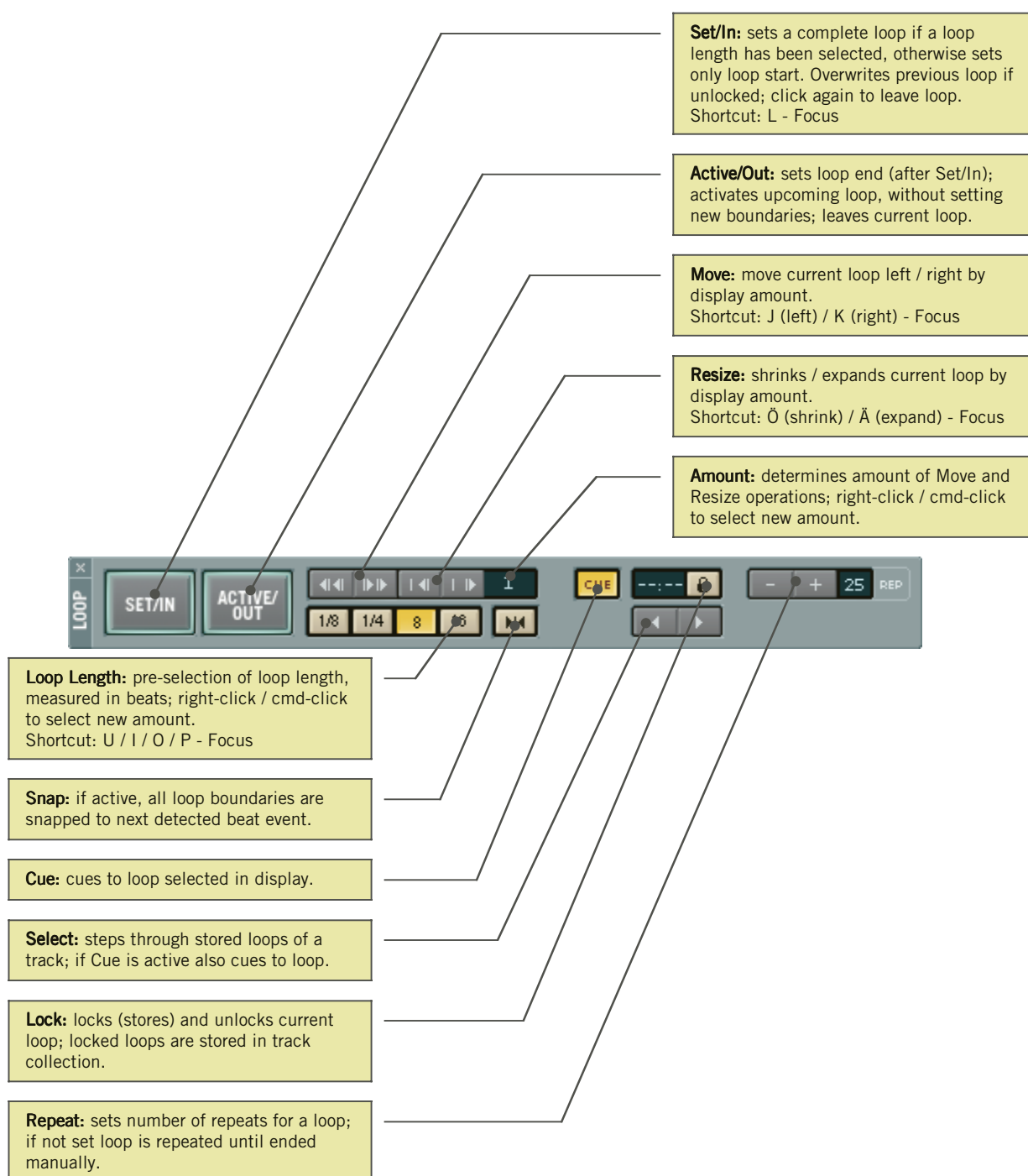




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The Loop Panel

Once you master the loop section you can transform a track however you need to by stretching out intros or capturing loops on the fly.

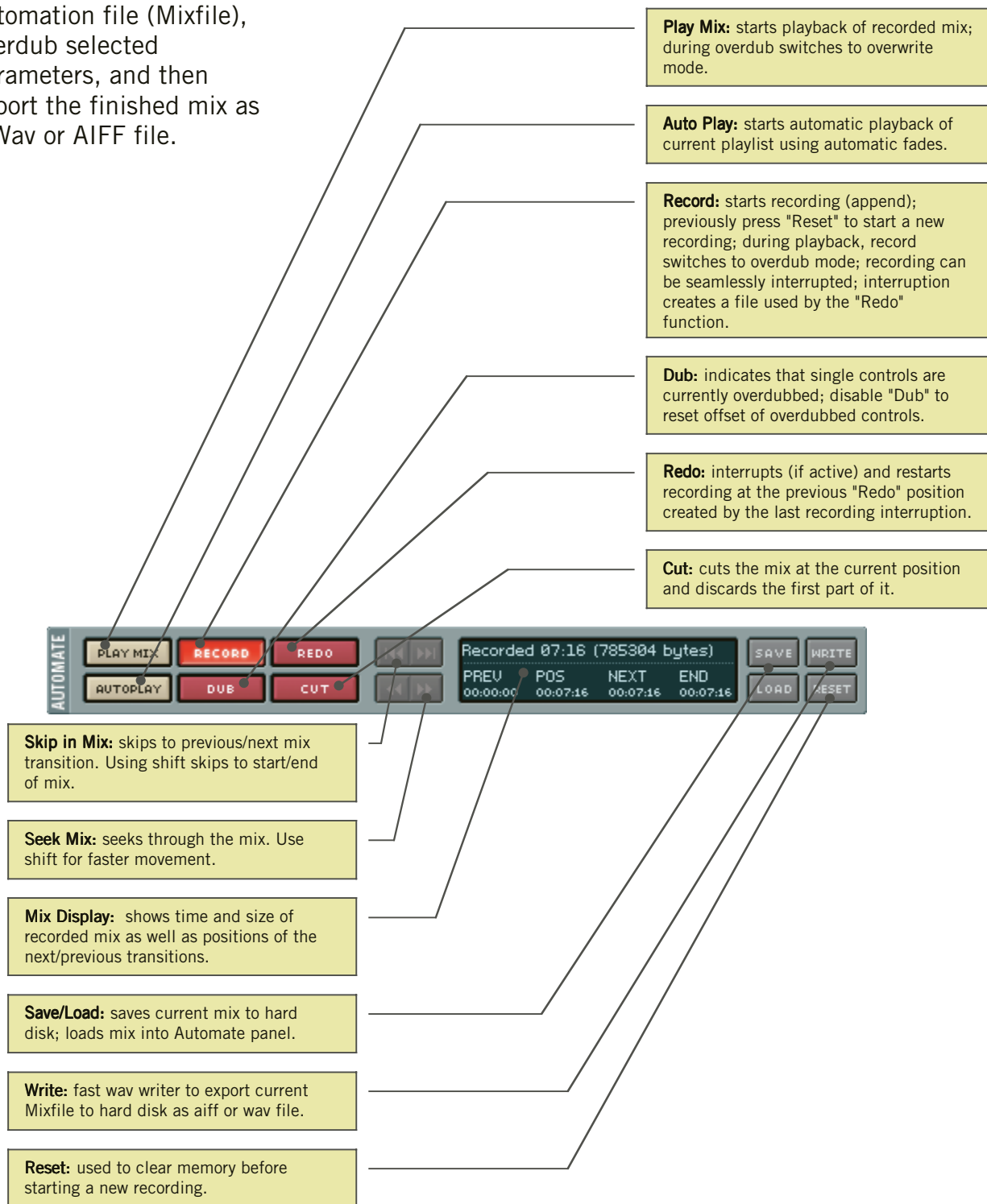




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Recording

For the first time you can record mixes as an automation file (Mixfile), overdub selected parameters, and then export the finished mix as a Wav or AIFF file.





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Remote Control

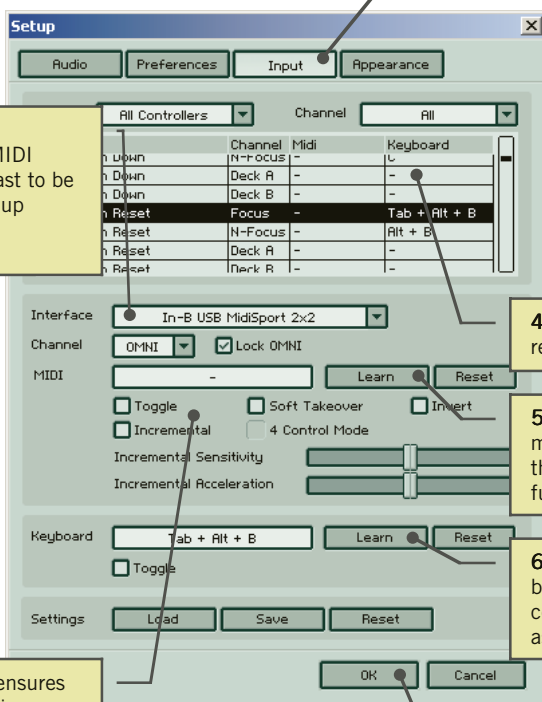
Control TRAKTOR DJ Studio by assigning any of the over 400 individual functions to a MIDI controller, MIDI keyboard or keyboard shortcut.



1.: Open the setup dialog by clicking on the Setup icon in the upper right corner of the interface.

2.: Select the Input tab in the upper part of the setup dialog.

3.: Select the MIDI Interface that connects your computer to your MIDI equipment. The MIDI interface has to be correctly connected and powered up before starting Traktor.



4.: Select the Traktor function to be remote controlled.

5.: Press the MIDI Learn button and move the knob of your MIDI controller that should be assigned to the selected function.

6.: Alternatively press the Keyboard Learn button and then press the key on your computer keyboard that should be assigned to the selected function.

7.: Select the Control Mode that ensures correct behavior of your input device.

8.: Confirm your settings by clicking OK.



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Preferences and Appearance

Appearance Setup: in the appearance tab of the setup dialog you can select from a series of options to change the look of the interface. The available options are more or less self-explanatory.

Reset Deck on Load: resets deck-specific settings when loading a new track.
Auto Load Next Track: loads a new track into the deck after current track.
Lock Playing Deck: prevents tracks from being loaded into a playing track.
Stop Deck On Load/End: does what it claims to do.
Initially Cue to Load Marker: does what it claims to do.
Synchro Start: starts and cues tracks in synchronicity to opposite deck.

Mouse Scratch Transmission: selects the speed of transmission when scratching the waveform with the mouse.

Pitch Range selects the range of the pitch fader.

Scratch Sound Mode: selects between digital and vinyl scratch sound mode. Vinyl mode uses a special filter controlled by playback speed.

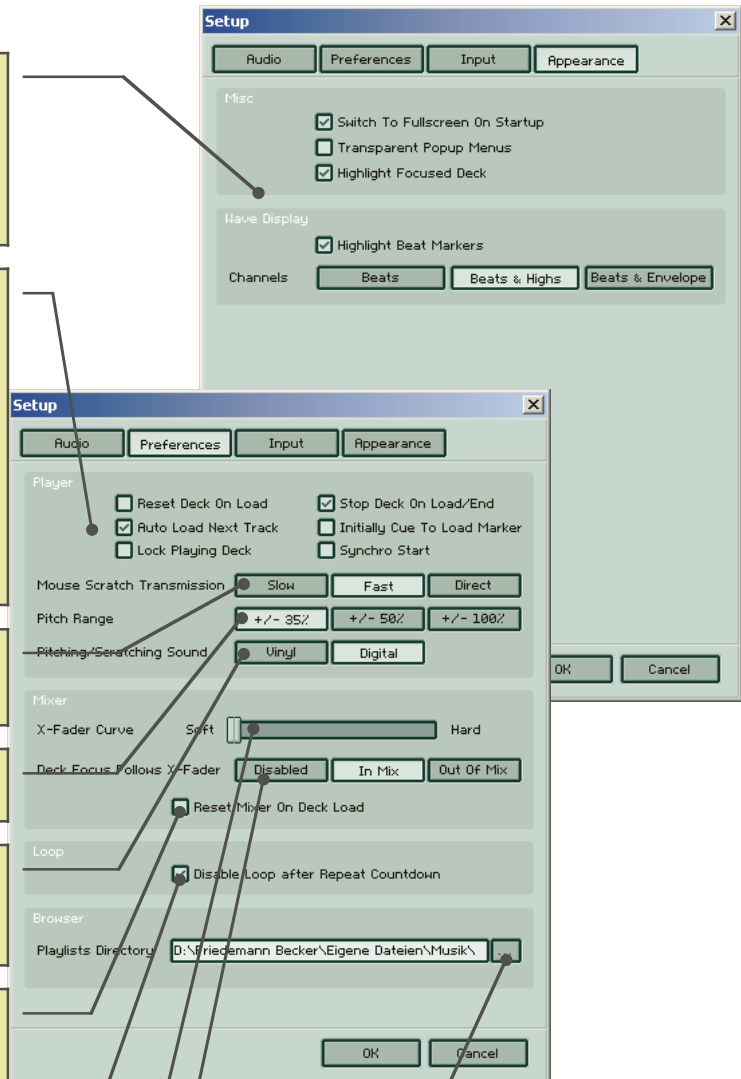
Reset Mixer On Deck Load: resets all mixer settings (fader + EQs) when loading a new track.

Disable Loop after Repeat Countdown: if unchecked this option can be used to create a loop remix by chaining a series of pre-defined loops.

X-Fader Curve: the soft curve is the traditional fader curve; the hard curve narrows the transition zone to both borders of the crossfader range.

Focus Follows X-Fader: if selected links the deck focus to the crossfader position; "In Mix" to the same side; "Out Of Mix" to the opposite side.

Playlist Directory: selects the directory opened by the Playlists/Mixes icon in the Tree Window of the File Browser.





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And now...

...turn up the volume and enjoy!



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