



User Guide

Introduction

Thank you for purchasing Epic Grand for the Motif XS! We believe Epic Grand is one of the most beautiful, realistic, and playable sampled pianos available. It offers eight sampled dynamic levels, carefully mapped for consistent response across the keyboard. Epic Grand has a clear, close-miked sound and a wide stereo image, yet it is also mono compatible. Every note has a generous, natural sounding sustain. Independent sampled damper resonance adds breathtaking lushness to long notes. Release resonance and hammer noises create even more realism as keys are released.

Epic Grand offers presets to cover a wide range of musical needs. You'll find dynamic natural tones, sentimental softness, punchy brightness, solo pianos, and layered combinations. Two different bank sizes let you choose between a small memory footprint and generous sample lengths.

Bank Sizes

Epic Grand includes two banks of sounds – 126Mb and 505Mb – allowing you to choose how much sample memory you want to use and how much time you want to spend loading.

The 126Mb bank is ideal for quick loading. This bank features four stereo velocity levels plus true sampled damper resonance, release resonance, and hammer noises. A variety of solo and layered pianos is provided.

The 505Mb bank provides additional velocities and longer samples, giving a more natural touch response and a more authentic sustain. A single piano in this bank can have up to eight stereo velocities plus true sampled damper resonance, release resonance, and (when enabled) hammer noise samples. A variety of solo and layered pianos is provided.

Loading

To avoid losing any important data, we also recommend you save an “All” type file on the Motif XS before loading. Please see the keyboard owner’s manual for details on saving files.

To load Epic Grand - 126Mb Bank:

- Use your computer to unzip the download and copy the unzipped file “KSEG_SML.X0A” to your USB flash drive.
- Connect the flash drive to the Motif XS.
- Use your Motif XS to load “KSEG_SML.X0A” as an All type file.

You will find Epic Grand sounds in the USER 3 bank in both Voice and Performance modes.

To load Epic Grand - 505Mb Bank:

- Use your computer to unzip the download and copy the unzipped file “KSEG_LRG.X0A” to your USB flash drive.
- Connect the flash drive to the Motif XS.
- Use your Motif XS to load “KSEG_LRG.X0A” as an All type file.

You will find Epic Grand sounds in the USER 3 bank in both Voice and Performance modes.

Please Note: Because RAM samples are not retained in memory when the Motif XS is off, you will need to load one of these banks each time it is turned on. If you like to edit your sounds, we recommend saving an All Waveform type file (while Epic Grand is loaded) and reloading that for subsequent uses. Loading an All Waveform file will not overwrite your edited voices and performances. Loading either of the supplied All files will.

Voices in the 505Mb Bank

Name	Comments
Major Epic AF1	Dynamic piano with enhanced sustain. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Rel res vol.
Major Epic+ AF1	Similar to <i>Major Epic AF1</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EG Natural AF1	Dynamic piano w/ non-enhanced sustain. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Rel res vol.
EG Natural+ AF1	Similar to <i>EG Natural AF1</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EG Lush AF1	Warm, classical piano. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Release resonance volume.
EG Lush+ AF1	Similar to <i>EG Lush AF1</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EG Soft AF1	Warm piano. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Release resonance volume.
EG Up Front AF1	Dynamic piano with restricted amplitude response for easy blending in dense mixes.
EG Up Front+ AF1	Similar to <i>EG Up Front AF1</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EG Bright AF1	Bright, dynamic piano. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Release resonance volume.
EG Bright+ AF1	Similar to <i>EG Bright AF1</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EG Steel AF's	Very bright piano. AF1 = Damper resonance. AF2 = Less brightness.
EG Steel+ AF's	Similar to <i>EG Steel AF's</i> , but with a different tone.
EG Steel 2 AF's	Brightest piano. AF1 = Damper resonance. AF2 = Less brightness.
Steel Stack	Power piano synth layer. MW decreases piano brightness.
Steel Stack 2	Power piano with bright synth. MW decreases piano brightness.
EG & DX7 AF's	Piano and FM electric piano. MW fades out EP. AF1 mutes EP. AF2 mutes piano.
EG & Strings AF's	Piano and warm strings. MW fades out strings. AF1 mutes strings. AF2 mutes piano.
EG & Pad MW AF's	Piano and warm pad. MW transforms pad into strings. AF's mute pad and piano.

The following voices are intended for layering in Performance mode.

EG 8-Way 1 No Res	8-velocity piano with enhanced sustain. No resonances or release elements.
EG Damper Res AF1	Damper resonance intended for layering in Performance mode. AF1 activates it.
EG Release Res MW	Release resonance intended for layering in Performance mode. MW lowers its volume.
EG 8-Way 1+ No Res	Similar to <i>EG 8-Way 1 No Res</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EG Damper Res+ AF1	Similar to <i>EG Damper Res AF1</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EG Release Res+ MW	Similar to <i>EG Release Res MW</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EG 8-Way 2 No Res	8-velocity piano with non-enhanced sustain. No resonances or release elements.
EG 8-Way 2+ No Res	Similar to <i>EG 8-Way 2 No Res</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
Hammers Release	Hammer release noises intended for layering in Performance mode.
Hammers Release Time	Similar to <i>Hammers Release</i> . The noise will be softer when keys are held longer.
EG Up Front NoRelRes	Polyphony-saving version of <i>EG Up Front AF1</i> for layering in Performance mode.
Epic Pad MW	Huge sparkling choir-string pad with low note rumble. MW fades rumble & sparkles.
Sparkly MW	Sparkles intended for layering in Performance mode. Silent until MW is pushed forward.
Sparkly ON	Sparkles intended for layering in Performance mode. Always on.
BOOM!	Low hit intended for layering in Performance mode.
Background	Factory preset intended for layering in Performance mode.
VW Trio	Factory preset intended for layering in Performance mode.
FM E. Piano	Factory preset intended for layering in Performance mode.
Velo Growl	Factory preset intended for layering in Performance mode.

Performances in the 505Mb Bank

Name	Comments
Epic Grand 8-Vel	Dynamic 8-velocity piano with enhanced sustain. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Release resonance volume. Turn on part 4 for hammer noises.
Epic Grand+ 8-Vel	Similar to <i>Epic Grand 8-Vel</i> , but with different, brighter tone.
EG Natural 8-Vel	Dynamic 8-velocity piano w/ natural, non-enhanced sustain. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Release resonance volume. Turn on part 4 for hammer noises.
EG Natural+ 8-Vel	Similar to <i>EG Natural 8-Vel</i> , but with different, brighter tone.
EG MW Sparkle	Piano and pad. MW adds sparkles.
Double Epic	Piano layered with the huge <i>Epic Pad</i> . Forceful low notes trigger boom.
EG & Strings 2	Piano and strings. Brighter than the voice <i>EG & Strings AF's</i> .
EG Chamber Ensemble	Piano and small ensemble of strings and woodwinds.
EG Ballad	Piano and FM electric piano.
EG & Rhodes	Piano and Rhodes electric piano.
EG & Acoustic Bass	Split: Dynamic piano in the right hand, acoustic bass in the left hand.
EG & Electric Bass	Split: Bright piano in the right hand, electric bass in the left hand.

Voices in the 126Mb Bank

Name	Comments
Mini Epic AF1	Dynamic piano with enhanced sustain. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Rel res vol.
Mini Epic+ AF1	Similar to <i>Mini Epic AF1</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EGm Full AF1	Warm, dynamic piano. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Release resonance volume.
EGm Full+ AF1	Similar to <i>EGm Full AF1</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EGm Natural AF1	Dynamic piano w/ non-enhanced sustain. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Rel res vol.
EGm Natural+ AF1	Similar to <i>EGm Natural AF1</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EGm Up Front AF1	Dynamic piano with restricted amplitude response for easy blending in dense mixes.
EGm Up Front+ AF1	Similar to <i>EGm Up Front AF1</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EGm Bright AF1	Bright, dynamic piano. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Release resonance volume.
EGm Bright+ AF1	Similar to <i>EGm Bright AF1</i> , but with a different, brighter tone.
EGm Steel AF's	Very bright piano. AF1 = Damper resonance. AF2 = Less brightness.
EGm Steel+ AF's	Similar to <i>EGm Steel AF's</i> , but with a different tone.
EGm Steel 2 AF's	Brightest piano. AF1 = Damper resonance. AF2 = Less brightness.
EGm Soft AF1	Warm piano. AF1 = Damper resonance. MW = Release resonance volume.
EGm & Pad MW AF's	Piano and warm pad. MW transforms pad into strings. AF's mute pad and piano.
EGm & Strings AF's	Piano and warm strings. MW fades out strings. AF1 mutes strings. AF2 mutes piano.
EGm & DX7 AF's	Piano and FM electric piano. MW fades out EP. AF1 mutes EP. AF2 mutes piano.
Steel Stack	Power piano synth layer. MW decreases piano brightness.
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Sparkly ON	Sparkles intended for layering in Performance mode. Always on.
Sparkly MW	Sparkles intended for layering in Performance mode. Silent until MW is pushed forward.
BOOM!	Low hit intended for layering in Performance mode.
WoodWind Quartet b	Modified factory preset intended for layering in Performance mode.
BackGround	Factory preset intended for layering in Performance mode.
WW Trio	Factory preset intended for layering in Performance mode.
FM E.Piano	Factory preset intended for layering in Performance mode.
2 Violas	Factory preset intended for layering in Performance mode.
Mini Epic No Rel Res	Polyphony-saving version of <i>Mini Epic AF1</i> intended for layering in Performance mode.
EGm UpFront NoRelRes	Polyphony-saving version of <i>EGm Up Front AF1</i> for layering in Performance mode.

Hammers Release	Hammer release noises intended for layering in Performance mode.
Hammers Release Time	Similar to <i>Hammers Release</i> . The noise will be softer when keys are held longer.
Velo Growl	Factory preset intended for layering in Performance mode.

Performances in the 126Mb Bank

Name	Comments
Mini Epic & Hammer	<i>Mini Epic AF1</i> plus hammer release noises.
EGm Full & Hammer	<i>EGm Full AF1</i> plus hammer release noises.
EGm Natural & Hammer	<i>EGm Natural AF1</i> plus hammer release noises.
EGm Bright & Hammer	<i>EGm Bright AF1</i> plus hammer release noises.
EGm MW Sparkle	Piano and pad. MW adds sparkles.
Double Epic	Piano layered with the huge <i>Epic Pad</i> . Forceful low notes trigger boom.
EGm & Strings 2	Piano and strings. Brighter than the voice <i>EGm & Strings AF1</i> .
EGm Chamber Ensemble	Piano and small ensemble of strings and woodwinds.
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