

Live NoteBook Reference Manual v1.0

for Windows and Mac

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Main information

1.1 Plugin Overview

Live NoteBook is a 100-page automatable notepad with advanced text formatting, useful for song information, story, lyrics or personal notes.

Main features:

- Automated page switching to sync with the project.
- Mappable previous/next page change for use from external controllers.
- Common text formatting properties, color and highlighting.
- Individual background color per page.
- Available fonts are compatible with macOS and Windows.
- Color themes (light/dark) for interface elements.

Note that the text format used is proprietary to the device. Copying from the device to other apps, or from other apps to the device, does not preserve the text formatting.

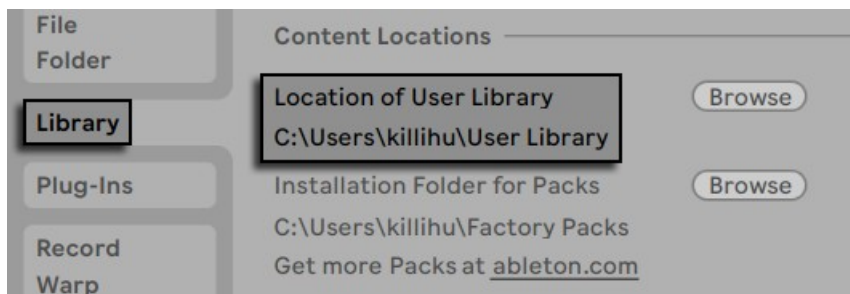
1.2 System Requirements

- Live Version: 12 with Max for Live
- Operating System: Windows, Mac

1.3 Installation Instructions

Unzip the ZIP file and copy the plugin AMXD file to your User Library folder. There are two ways to find where your User Library is located:

Go to Preferences – Library – Location of User Library



Or [right-click] on the User Library in the Browser – Show in Explorer



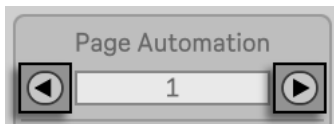
Settings

2.1 Page Change – Automation



This control allows for the automation/mapping of page changes. Its primary use is to automate page switching within the project, although it can also be controlled from an external controller.

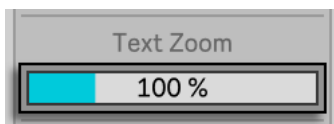
2.2 Page Change – Mapping



These controls allow for the mapping of previous/next page change.

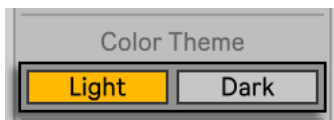
Note that using these controls creates a loop in the undo history. To go back, use the Undo History window, which can be accessed from Live's View menu.

2.3 Text Zoom



This control changes the size of all the text displayed in the floating window, while preserving the applied text formatting and colors.

2.4 Color Theme



This control toggles between two color themes that are applied to the toolbar, as well as to the default text and background colors.

2.5 Restore Window



Clicking this button returns the floating window to its default position and size.

Note that the position and size of the floating window are saved each time the window is closed. So it is necessary to close it at least once so that it maintains its position and size when the project is reopened.

2.6 Import/Export



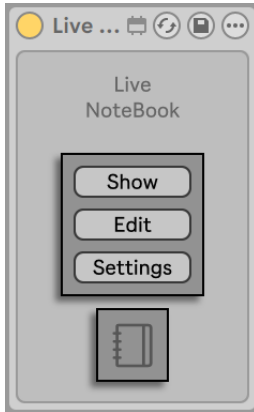
These controls allow for importing/exporting all notes to/from a JSON file.

Since the notes are stored in the device's internal memory, it is also possible to save a device preset to import into other projects.

Note that the content of the JSON file is encoded, not stored in readable text.

Controls

3.1 Rack Controls



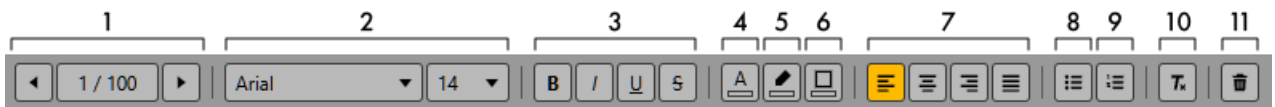
The device rack displays controls for displaying the floating window, displaying the settings section, and enabling the Edit mode.

The control to show/hide the floating window and the Edit mode can be mapped, allowing you to assign keys to show and hide the floating window and enable/disable the Edit mode.

An icon is displayed at the bottom of the device rack. Clicking on the icon shows the version of the device. When a new device update is available, a message will be displayed indicating it

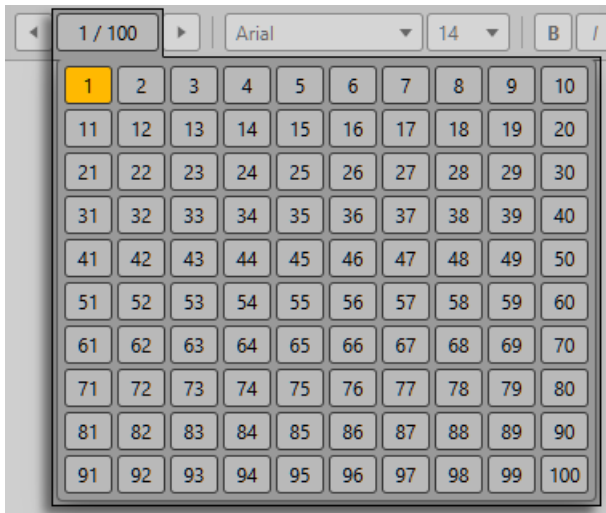
The button to activate the Edit mode is enabled by default, since most users will use the device as a notepad. However, disabling it hides the toolbar and prevents editing. This may be desirable if the device is used, for example, to display lyrics to singers.

3.2 Toolbar controls



1. Page selector.
2. Font type and size.
3. Typographic effects.
4. Text color.
5. Text highlight color.
6. Page background color.
7. Text alignment.
8. Bullet list.
9. Numbered list.
10. Clear format (remove the formatting from the selected text).
11. Clear page (delete all content on the page, except for the page background color).

3.3 Page Selector

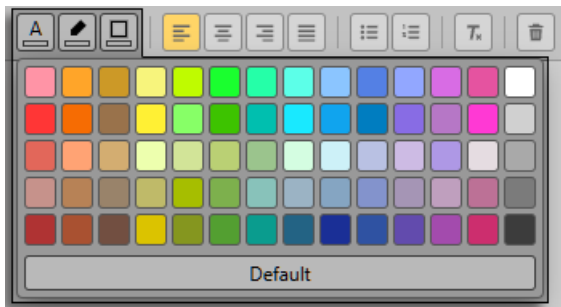


Clicking on the selected page indicator displays a selector that allows you to quickly change the selected page.

This selector and the previous/next page buttons are synchronized with the automatable page change control located in the device settings.

However, multiple page changes using the floating window controls add a single entry to the undo history.

3.4 Colors



Clicking one of the color selection buttons displays a color picker containing Live's color palette, with a button at the bottom for setting the default color.

The default color depends on the color theme set in the device settings.