

Simpler in Key Reference Manual v1.0

for Windows and Mac

Reference Manual by killihu

killihu

Plugins, skins and other resources for computer-based audio production

Contact Support: www.killihu.com/contact

Copyright 2026 killihu. All rights reserved.

The content of this manual is furnished for informational use only, is subject to change without notice, and should not be construed as a commitment by killihu. Every effort has been made to ensure that the information in this manual is accurate. killihu assumes no responsibility or liability for any errors or inaccuracies that may appear in this book.

Ableton is a trademark of Ableton AG. Max for Live is a product developed by Ableton AG in cooperation with Cycling '74. Mac is a trademark of Apple Inc, registered in the U.S. and other countries. Windows is a registered trademark of Microsoft Corporation in the United States and other countries.

killihu is not a partner of Ableton AG or Cycling'74.

This book has been inspired by the Ableton Live Reference Manual, with the aim of making it easier for Ableton Live users to read.

Contents

Main information

- 1.1 Plugin Overview 4
- 1.2 System Requirements 5
- 1.3 Installation Instructions 5

Controls

- 2.1 Note 6
- 2.2 Octave 6
- 2.3 Note Detected 6
- 2.4 Nearest Note 7
- 2.5 Link 7

Main information

1.1 Plugin Overview

Simpler in Key automatically adjusts the pitch of the sample loaded into Simpler. This ensures that every new sample loaded into Simpler will always be in the correct pitch.

Since most modern sample libraries include the sample's note in the filename, Simpler in Key analyzes the filename and adjusts Simpler's transposition so that the sample is in the note set by Simpler in Key.

This can be especially useful when loading samples randomly or using Live's Similar Sample feature, as it eliminates the need to manually adjust the transposition in Simpler after loading new samples.

To use it, place Simpler in Key before an instance of Simpler and set the desired note.

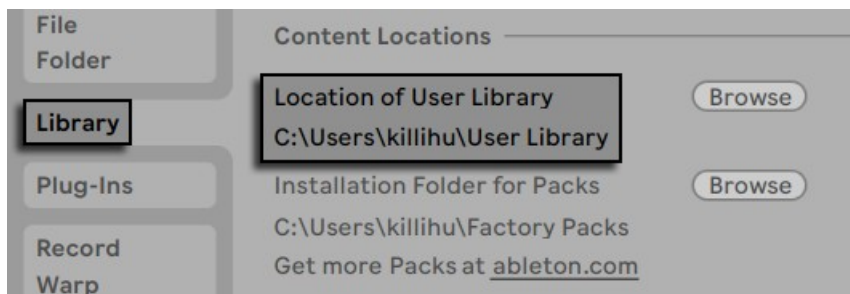
1.2 System Requirements

- 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



Controls

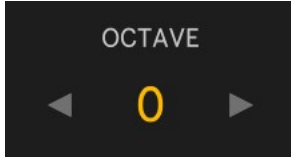
2.1 Note



This control sets the note to which the sample loaded in Simpler will automatically be adjusted. When a new sample is loaded, the device analyzes its note and transposes it automatically. Note detection is performed by analyzing the sample filename.

To change the note, click on this control and drag up/down or use the buttons located on the left and right.

2.2 Octave



Since the Transpose control in Simpler cannot be adjusted manually because it is controlled by this device, this control allows you to transpose the sample loaded in Simpler by octaves.

To change the octave, click on this control and drag up/down or use the buttons located on the left and right.

2.3 Note Detected



This is a non-clickable control for informational purposes.

It displays the note of the sample detected by the device. This makes it easier to verify if the detection is correct, since depending on the sample's filename, detection is sometimes not possible.

When the note cannot be detected, a dash symbol is displayed.

2.4 Nearest Note



When this control is enabled, the sample is adjusted to the nearest note. A sample with a note B that you want to adjust to a note C, will be adjusted to the note C of the next octave (transposition of +1).

When this control is disabled, the note adjustment is made within the same octave. Following the previous example, the note B would be transposed to the note C in the same octave (transposition of -11).

2.5 Link



Establish the link with the Simpler instance located on the right.

When the device is loaded, the link with Simpler is automatically established. If Simpler is loaded after the device, or if a new instance of Simpler is created by mistake (because instead of replacing the existing sample, a new instance of Simpler is created), use the Link button to establish the connection.

When Simpler is linked, the Transpose control cannot be used manually.