

user manual







Kutter 2 USER MANUAL

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Overview

Thank you for choosing Kutter 2, Tek'it Audio sequenced frequency cutter effect. Cut frequencies on the 12 bands easily and synchronizes the effect on the beat with the 16 steps modulation sequencer.

We hope you enjoy this software and create cutting edge gate, chop, cut with him. Please, take the time to read this manual and learn how to exploit all the feature of Kutter 2.

Feature highlights

- ▶ 12 bands frequency cutter.
- ▶ 8 to 128 steps modulation sequencer, synced to your host.
- ▶ 4 sequencer memories per preset.
- Sequencer play forward or reverse.
- Phase inverter and Sharp mode.
- Wet and dry signal mix.
- Full MIDI automation support.
- Easy MIDI learn on all parameters.
- Works in mono or stereo.
- ▶ Preset manager, rename, copy, save, load...
- Undo your changes to initial preset value.
- One click preset randomize.
- ▶ 128 Factory effect presets.

Requirements

This software is a "Virtual Studio Technologies" plug-in (VST), he work only with VST 2 compatible host software or on other host through the use of a VST adapter. It requires a host that transmit transport and tempo messages to work properly.

System requirements:

Operating System

Microsoft® Windows® 8, 7, XP (SP2 or later), or Vista™.

CPU

• 1,5 GHz or higher with SSE2.

Memory

• 512 MB RAM or higher.

Graphics

• 800x600 32 bit.

Audio

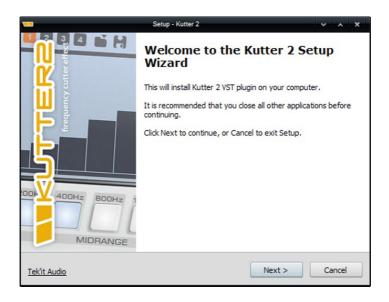
 Audio interface with ASIO driver support recommended and minimum 44kHz samples rates.

MIDI

• To use the automation a Host with automation features and for MIDI learn a MIDI interface and an external MIDI control device is required.

Installation

1. Simply run the installer program by double-clicking it, and follow the on-screen instructions.



2. Run your host software and load TA Kutter 2. Consult your host documentation for information on how to do this.



Our un-installer keep your system clean, all the files are deleted and there are no entry left in your Windows registry.

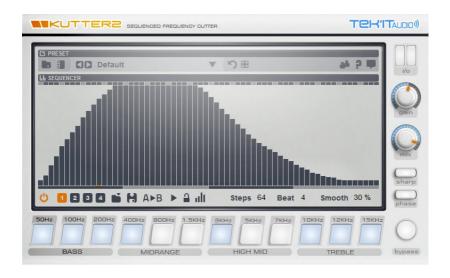
Demo version

The demo version of Kutter gives you full functionality, but the sound stop after ten minutes, a nag-screen will pop at the start and at the time limit.

To avoid this restrictions, you will need to purchase the full version. You can buy a license at http://tekit-audio.com/shop/

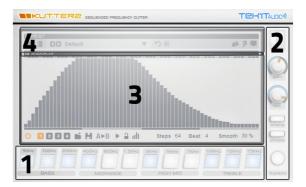
Using

Kutter 2 can be used on a stereo or mono track as an insert effect or as send/return effect.



Kutter can be divided in four distinct parts:

- 1. Cutter
- 2. Mixer
- 3. Sequencer
- 4. Preset Manager



Control Types

While using Kutter, you will find that many parameters have similar controls. Hovering your mouse over a control will bring up a tooltip with its name or description.



Switch

A two position switch, click on it to change the position.

Off Low High

Last

Pop-up Menu

Appears on a left click or right-click on a text or an icon to select a value.



Peak LED

A LED indicator that light when the signal is overloaded. Click on it to switch it on or off.



Knob

To Turn a knob, click it and when drag upwards to move the knob to the right, drag downwards to move the knob to the left. For hight precision control use Ctrl+Mouse. Double-click on it, reset it to the initial value of the preset.

Cutter

Each switches attenuates frequencies within a range around their cut-off frequency.

There are twelve frequency bands, divided into four groups each consisting of 3 bands.

Bass: 50Hz, 100Hz, 200Hz.

Midrange: 400Hz, 800Hz, 1.5KHz. High Mid: 3KHz, 5KHz, 7KHz. Treble: 10KHz, 12KHz, 15KHz.

Press their respective switch to activate them.

Mixer

In and Out LEDs

Lights up when the In or Out signal overload and a clipping may occur.

Gain

Adjust the modulators output gain by +/- 6dB.

Mix

Mix the dry and wet signal. At full top only the wet signal pass (the effect) at the full bottom only the dry signal pass (the original sound). Can produce interesting effect used with the phase control.

Sharp

Double the attenuation effect and makes deeper cuts.

Phase

Invert the phase of the sound before the amplification stage. Can be very usefull when Kutter is used on a send/return channel or the mix control.



Normal phase



Inverted phase

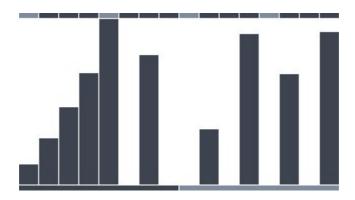
Bypass

Bypass all the internal processing. The sound out is the same as the sound in, leaving the sound unaltered.

Sequencer

You can modulate the effect on a steps bar graph sequencer which is synchronized to the tempo of your DAW.

The Sequencer



The height of the bars can be adjusted with the mouse. The higher the bar, the greater the effect cuts the sound. Fine adjustments can be made by pressing the Ctrl key while dragging the mouse.

Steps

Change the number of steps of the sequencer from 8 to 128 steps.

Beat

Speed up or slow down the speed of modulation, by dividing the clock from 1 to 64.

Smooth

Smooth the cut effect between each step.



On/Off

Play or stop the sequence programmed on the sequencer.



Preset

You can have four modulator internal presets in your main preset. Click on one of the four presets buttons to select it.



Load Preset

Load the currently selected preset in the sequencer.



Save Preset

Save all the sequencer settings to the currently selected preset.



A▶B Copy Preset

Copy the current modulator settings to another main preset. Click it one time the modulators setting is loaded in memory, change the main preset to the preset you want to copy the modulator, click it again the memory is loaded in your main preset.



Playback Direction

Change the direction of the played sequence. Can be forward or reverse.



Lock

Lock the sequencer. Then locked you can't edit the sequence.



Highlight Preference

Change the highlighting mode of the sequencer.

Preset

Kutter 2 comes with a default bank of 128 presets made by Tek'it Audio and Justin O'Quinn an EDM producer.



Preset Change

Change the current preset, left to previous and right to next.



Preset Selector

Display a pop-up menu with all the presets in the current bank. Click on one to select it as the current preset.

Current Preset Name

Display the name of the current preset. Click on it to rename the preset.

The default presets are classed in three types, recognisable by their prefix, EQ (equalize) for simple cut effects without modulation, MOD (Modulation) for a smooth modulations like fades and GAT (Gate) for gated modulations and chop effects.



Undo All Changes

Undo all your changes to their initial preset value. If you change the preset before it does not work, because your changes are saved automatically when you switch to another preset.



Randomize

Randomize all parameters except Bypass and the Sequence.



Manage Preset And Bank

Open the preset manager pop-up menu.

Copy Preset Load Preset Save Preset Load Bank Save Bank

Copy Preset

Copy the current preset to another preset or a range of presets.

Load Preset

Load a preset in (*.fxp) file format on the current preset.

Save Preset

Save the current preset in (*.fxp) file format.

Load Bank

Load an bank (*.fxb).

Save Bank

Save the bank of presets in a file (*.fxb).



Notes

Open a pop-up where you can write the author name of the preset and notes.

MIDI

Kutter 2 have integrated MIDI learn and full automation on all parameters.

Integrated MIDI learn

All controls can be controlled by an external MIDI controller easily, simply right click on the parameters you want to control and the Learn pop-up menu appear.

Learn



Click on Learn, move a control on your MIDI device and it will automatically assigned.



UnLearn

Click on UnLearn will clear the controller.

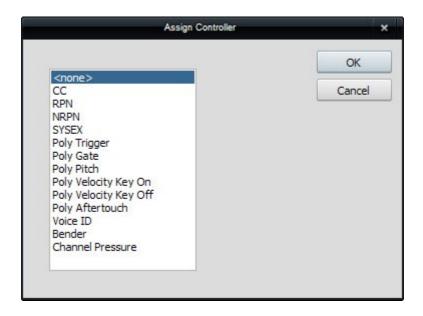


Some hosts (like FL Studio) filters MIDI CC messages coming from MIDI controller, integrated MIDI learn can't work properly in such hosts.

Edit...

Click on Edit will open the Assign Controller dialogue.

You can change manually the MIDI controllers using 7-bit MIDI Continuous Controller or High resolution 14-bit MIDI NRPN and RPN.



Automation

Each controls can be automated using your host automation features. Consult your host documentation for information on how to do this.

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