

# GarageBand Keyboard shortcuts

You can use your keyboard to quickly accomplish many tasks in GarageBand. To find the shortcuts for common commands, look in the menus (or see the menu shortcuts below). To complete an action, press the shortcut keys indicated below.

## Action

## Shortcut

### Navigation/Moving the playhead

Play/Pause  
Go to beginning  
Go to end  
Move back by one measure  
Move forward by one measure  
Move back by the visible width of the timeline  
Move forward by the visible width of the timeline  
Zoom out  
Zoom in

Space bar  
Home or Z or Return  
End or Option-Z  
Left arrow  
Right arrow  
Page up  
Page down  
Control-Left arrow  
Control-Right arrow

### Tracks

Create new track  
Create new Basic track  
Duplicate track  
Delete selected track  
Select next higher track  
Select next lower track  
Mute/Unmute selected track  
Solo/Unsolo selected track  
Show/Hide track volume curve  
Show/Hide master track

Command-Option-N  
Command-Shift-N  
Command-D  
Command-Delete  
Up arrow  
Down arrow  
M  
S  
A  
Command-B

### Track Info window

Show/Hide Track Info  
Select next higher category or instrument  
  
Select next lower category or instrument  
  
Move from instrument column to category column  
  
Move from category column to instrument column

Command-I  
up arrow (when Track Info window is open and either a category or an instrument is selected)  
Down arrow (when Track Info window is open and either a category or an instrument is selected)  
Left arrow (when Track Info window is open and an instrument is selected)  
Right arrow (when Track Info window is open and a category is selected)

### New Track Dialog

Select next higher category or instrument  
  
Select next lower category or instrument  
  
Move from instrument column to category column  
selected)Move from category column to instrument column  
  
Toggle between Real/Software Instrument options

Up arrow (when New Track dialog is open and either a category or an instrument is selected)  
Down arrow (when New Track dialog is open and either a category or an instrument is selected)  
Left arrow (when New Track dialog is open and an instrument is selected)  
Right arrow (when New Track dialog is open and a category is selected)  
Tab

## Editing and Arranging

Undo  
Redo  
Cut  
Copy  
Paste  
Delete  
Select all  
Split region  
Join selected regions  
Snap to grid

Command-Z  
Command-Shift-Z  
Command-X  
Command-C  
Command-V  
Delete  
Command-A  
Command-T  
Command-J  
Command-G

## Recording

Record Start/Stop  
Turn cycle region on/off  
Turn metronome on/off

R  
C  
Command-U

## Notation View

Moves selected notes to previous grid position.  
Moves selected notes to next grid position.  
Moves selected notes back one measure.  
Moves selected notes forward one measure.  
Transpose selected notes up a semitone.  
Transpose selected notes down a semitone.  
Transpose selected notes up an octave.  
Transpose selected notes down an octave.

Left arrow  
Right arrow  
Shift-Left arrow  
Shift-Right arrow  
Up arrow  
Down arrow  
Shift-Up arrow  
Shift-Down arrow

## Adjusting master volume

Raise master volume  
Lower master volume

Command-Up arrow  
Command-Down arrow

## Showing windows and editors

Show track mixer  
Show Track Info window  
Show editor  
Show loop browser  
Show onscreen keyboard  
Show Musical Typing window

Command-Y  
Command-I  
Command-E  
Command-L  
Command-K  
Command-Shift-K

## File menu functions

New  
Open  
Close  
Save  
Save As

Command-N  
Command-O  
Command-W  
Command-S  
Command-Shift-S

## Application menu functions

Show/Hide GarageBand Preferences  
Hide GarageBand  
Hide other applications  
Quit GarageBand

Command-comma (,)  
Command-H  
Command-Option-H  
Command-Q

## Help menu functions

GarageBand Help

Command-question mark (?)