

PALEOSONIC

by Ancient Music Ireland



User Manual

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PALEOSONIC is a Kontakt instrument that allows you to play Ancient Music Ireland's collection of rare and ancient instruments, all in one place and with a unique array of sonic effects.

Note:

PALEOSONIC is not a standalone application. You need a licensed copy of Native Instrument's Kontakt 6 or higher to run it. To purchase Kontakt please visit:

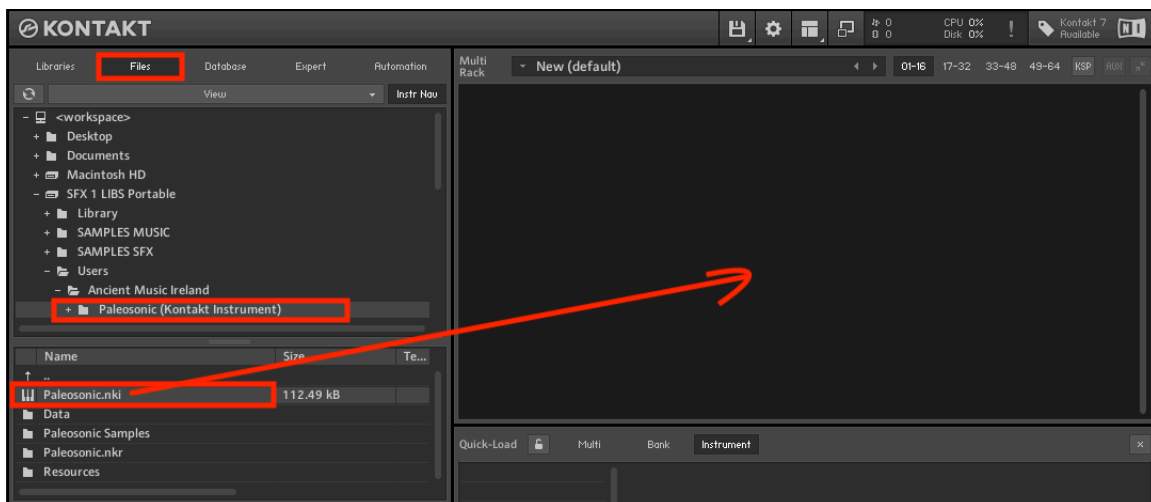
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You can also run it in demo mode with time usage limitations using a free copy of Kontakt Player 6 (or higher), also downloadable from NI's store:

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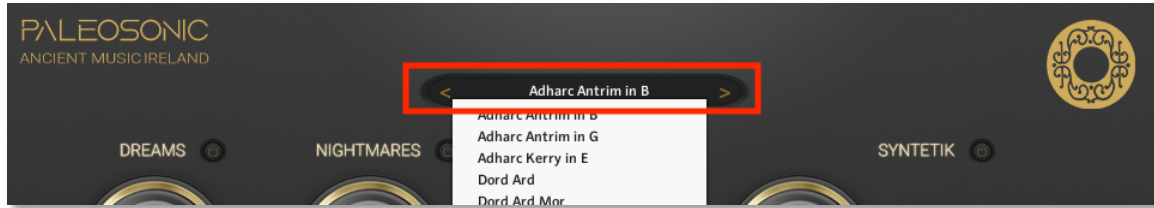
Installation




Place the *Paleosonic (Kontakt Instrument)* folder in your location of choice. Open Kontakt and navigate to your *Paleosonic (Kontakt Instrument)* folder using Kontakt's Files browser. Find *Paleosonic.nki* and double-click on it or simply drag it onto the main window on the right of the browser.



Instruments

There are 27 different instruments included in PALEOSONIC, 32 variations in total. All can be accessed using the drop-down menu at the top of the instrument.









Instrument name	Description	Picture
Adharc Antrim in B	Side-blown horn. Bronze Age 1000 – 700 BC. Original instruments found in County Antrim, Ireland. Reproduction cast in bronze, made in 1989. Length: 37cm	
Adharc Antrim in G	Side-blown horn. Bronze Age 1000 – 700 BC. Original instruments found in County Antrim, Ireland. Reproduction cast in bronze, made in 1989. Length: 50cm	
Adharc Kerry	Side-blown horn. Bronze Age 1000 – 700 BC. Original instrument found in County Kerry, Ireland. Reproduction cast in bronze, made in 1996. Length: 50cm	

<p>Crotal Bell</p>	<p>Hand bell. Bronze Age 1000 – 700 BC. Original instrument found in County Offaly, Ireland. Reproduction cast in bronze, made in 1994. Length: 10cm</p>	
<p>Dord Ard</p>	<p>Mid-range trumpet. Bronze Age 1000 – 700 BC. Original instrument found in County Antrim, Ireland. Reproduction cast in bronze, made in 1989. Length: 70cm</p>	
<p>Dord Ard Mór</p>	<p>Mid-range trumpet. Bronze Age 1000 – 700 BC. Original instrument found in County Offaly, Ireland. Reproduction cast in bronze, made in 2000. Length: 80cm</p>	
<p>Dord Íseal</p>	<p>End-blown bass trumpet. Bronze Age 1000 – 700 BC. Original instrument found in County Kerry, Ireland. Reproduction cast in bronze, made in 1993. Length: 112cm</p>	
<p>Psalter Horn</p>	<p>Yew wood with sheet bronze wrapped on the outside. Early Medieval 700 AD. Original instrument found in County Fermanagh, Ireland. Length: 55cm</p>	
<p>Trumpa Créda</p>	<p>Sheet bronze trumpet. Iron Age 100 BC. Original instrument found in County Armagh, Ireland. Length: 150cm</p>	

<p>Trumpa Fáda</p>	<p>Sheet bronze trumpet in two parts. Iron Age 100 BC. Original instrument found in County Down, Ireland. Length: 220cm</p>	
<p>Trumpa Mór</p>	<p>Sheet bronze trumpet in three parts. Iron Age 100 BC. Original instrument found in Wales (UK) and County Tipperary (Ireland). Length: 130cm</p>	
<p>Mexican Looney Whistle</p>	<p>Pre-Columbian whistle made of clay. From South Mexico. Length: 4cm</p>	
<p>Mexican Ripping Flesh Whistle</p>	<p>Pre-Columbian whistle made of clay. From South Mexico. Length: 4cm</p>	
<p>Mexican Thunder Whistle</p>	<p>Pre-Columbian whistle made of clay. From South Mexico. Length: 4cm</p>	
<p>Bull Roarer</p>	<p>10cm flat stone fastened to a string. Neolithic circa 4000 BC. From Cong, County Mayo. Length: 8cm</p>	

<p>Click Stones</p>	<p>Made from an unusual volcanic stone, giving a solid click sound. Smaller stone from Newfoundland (Canada) and bigger stone from Valentia Island (Ireland). Length: 8cm</p>	
<p>Cow Horn France</p>	<p>End-blown cow horn. From France, made in 2001. Length: 30cm</p>	
<p>Cow Horn Texas</p>	<p>Side-blown cow long horn. From Texas (USA), made in 2002. Length: 75cm</p>	
<p>Cow Horn Montana End-Blown</p>	<p>End-blown cow long horn. From Montana (USA), made in 2014. Length: 90cm</p>	
<p>Cow Horn Montana Side-Blown</p>	<p>Side-blown cow long horn. From Montana (USA), made in 2014. Length: 50cm</p>	
<p>Goat Horn</p>	<p>Side-blown goat horn. From County Carlow (Ireland), made in 2004. Length: 55cm</p>	

<p>Kudu Horn</p>	<p>Side-blown kudu horn. From South Africa, made in 2004. Length: 45cm</p>	
<p>Ram Horn</p>	<p>Side-blown ram horn. From County Galway (Ireland), made in 2009. Length: 30cm</p>	
<p>Triton Conch South Pacific</p>	<p>Side-blown Triton conch. From Fiji. Length: 30cm</p>	
<p>Triton Conch Mediterranean</p>	<p>Side-blown Triton conch. From Spain. Length: 20cm</p>	
<p>Trumpet Stone</p>	<p>Naturally occurring flint trumpet, with cavity open along its length. From the Baltic Sea. Length: 8cm</p>	
<p>Water Buffalo</p>	<p>Side-blown buffalo horn. From North Australia, made in 1998. Length: 45cm</p>	

Mood Modulators



DREAMS | Hazy effect using chorus and delays.

Main Knob: Chorus intensity.

Time Machine: Chorus delay and feedback.

NIGHTMARES | Distortion effect.

Main Knob: Overdrive intensity.

Darkness: Tone.

VERTIGO | Dynamic movement LFO-based effect.

Main Knob: LFO depth.

Speed: LFO rate.

Dizziness: LFO Pan and Tune.

SYNTETIK | Wavetable synthesizer.

Main Knob: Synth Gain.

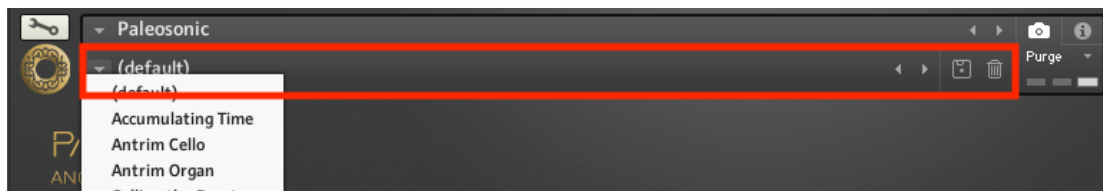
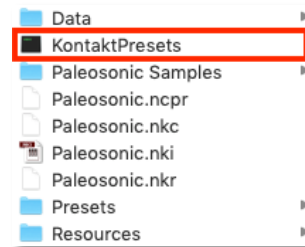
LP: Low-pass filter.

HP: High-pass filter.

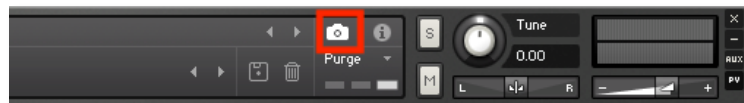
Character: Wavetable position (waveform shape)

Presets

We have created some presets, called “Snapshots” in Kontakt. To load these go to your Kontakt instrument folder - *Paleosonic (Kontakt Instrument)* - and double-click on the *KontaktPresets* executable file. This will automatically load the snapshots into the instrument and they will be accessible via the second drop-down menu in the Instrument Header (under the Instrument Name).



Note: If you can't see the Snapshots drop-down menu, make sure you click on the Snapshot View icon.



How to create your own Presets:

1. Click the Snapshot View button (camera icon) to open Snapshot view.
2. Click the Save button (floppy disk icon).
3. Enter a name for your new Snapshot in the *Save* dialog box.
4. Click *Save* to finish the process and close the dialog box.