

Vienna Instruments
Solo Download Instruments
Bass Waterphone
Full Library

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Introduction

Welcome to the Vienna Symphonic Library, and thank you for purchasing one of our Solo Download Instruments! This document contains the mapping information for the "Full" version of the Vienna Instruments Bass Waterphone. You will find in it a comprehensive survey of the articulations/Patches content, a listing of abbreviations, and the mapping list proper which gives details for every Patch, Matrix, and Preset.

"Full" Library

As opposed to the "Standard" versions of our Solo Download Instruments, the "Full" versions are identical with the corresponding instruments of a DVD Collection, i.e., they contain exactly the same samples, Patches, Matrices and Presets as the latter without any restrictions.

Installing a Download Instrument's Full version copies that instrument's sample content to a separate folder on your hard disk, so that it is not necessary to keep its Standard version installed – you may either delete it from your hard disk or at least remove it from the Directory Manager's list of activated instruments. In the Vienna Instruments Browser, the path of the Full version will be the same as that of the corresponding DVD Instrument, so that you can still see both versions as separate entries if you keep the Standard version installed.

Data paths and Patch name conventions

Since the Full versions of Download Instruments conform to the corresponding DVD Instruments, the data paths in your Vienna Instruments browser will be different than those of Standard Download or Special Edition Instruments. For instance, the path of the Standard Download Library of Flute 1 is "02D Flute-1", and all Patches can be found in this folder regardless of the articulation group they belong to. The Patch number is also marked with a "D" so that you immediately know it is a Download Instrument. In the Vienna Special Edition, Flute 1 is located in the folder "11 Flutes" together with the other flutes. Here, the Patch number is marked with an "S". The Full Download of Flute 1 is located in the subfolder "32 Flute" of the section "Woodwind Patches", which again contains subfolders grouping the Patches according to type, e.g., "01 SHORT + LONG NOTES", "02 DYNAMICS", etc. Patch names of the Full Download Library may differ from the corresponding ones of the Standard Download Library.

While Full Download Instruments contain all articulations of the corresponding DVD Instruments, their Patches are not divided into Standard and Extended content. The list of articulations further down which gives a summary of the Library's contents.

Special Patch configurations which sometimes are part of a Standard Download Instrument may be found in a reserved folder called "98 RESOURCES" in the Full Instrument. E.g., Flute 1 Standard contains the Patch "22D FL1 legato-sus"; in Flute 1 Full, this Patch is called "01 FL1_perf_leg_sustain" and is located in the Resources' subfolder "03 Perf Speed variation". (Apart from that, it also contains more samples.) Other articulations that can be found in the Resources folder are isolated dynamics repetitions in the subfolder "01 Perf Rep dyn" – e.g., the five repetitions of a legato crescendo, divided into separate Patches – and extracted velocity layers of sustained notes in the subfolder "02 Long Notes – Single Layer".

Patch information

The Patch information includes articulation type, playing range, number of samples used, RAM requirements, the number of velocity layers and alternations, AB switching possibilities, etc., as well as Patch specific information if necessary.

Where the type of articulation requires a special mapping (e.g., natural harmonics patches), the mapping layout will be shown in a detailed graphic.

Major and minor runs are always mapped to the keys of their scale, as are **arpeggios** to the keys of the broken chord played. **Grace notes** and **mordents** are mapped to their target note, i.e., the note the articulation ends with. Due to their nature, all **upward and downward articulations** (e.g., fixed glissandos and octave runs) have different mapping ranges – the upward movements ending the involved interval below the Patch's upper mapping range, while downward movements end the interval above its lower mapping range. (Please note that not all of the articulations mentioned above may be contained in your Collection.)

The Patch information also lists a Patch's velocity layers in detail. Velocity layer switches generally are the same for patches with the same number of layers but may occasionally be adapted to the instrument's requirements:

Layers	Layer 1	Layer 2	Layer 3
2	1–88	89–127	
3	1–55	56–108	109–127

Interval performances

Interval performances are one of the outstanding features of our Vienna Instruments. They allow you to play authentic legato without any programming tricks. In our Silent Stage, all intervals from minor second to the octave were recorded for every instrument – up and down, of course; that makes 24 interval samples per note for one velocity alone! When you load an interval performance Patch and play a line on your keyboard, the software automatically joins the right samples with their interval transitions again, and you hear a perfect legato. By the way, this technique is not only used for legato but also for other articulations like the strings' portamento, marcato, or détaché and spiccato articulations.

Interval performances also contain at least two legato repetitions for every note which alternate automatically whenever you strike a key more than once. There also are preconfigured thresholds for legato and repetition notes: The legato threshold – i.e., the maximum break between notes where legato is played – is 50 ms. Otherwise, a sustained starting note will sound so that you can easily start a new phrase without leaving the legato Patch. For note repetitions, the threshold is 200 ms: a break up to that duration will yield a legato repetition; if the break is longer, a new starting note. But of course, it's mingling legato with other articulations which makes a piece really come alive.

Due to their nature, all interval performances are monophonic; otherwise, the software would have to be able to decide which source note belongs to which target note. To circumvent this, you can open two VI instances of the same instrument on separate MIDI tracks without any additional strain on your RAM.

Note: the Vienna Instruments PRO player software also allows you to play polyphonic Interval performances.

Another variety of interval performance you will come across is the “perf-leg_sus” Patch. These Patches also contain normal legatos, only the target note of each interval is crossfaded into a looped sustain. They can be used for slower pieces with long notes; however, you should use them with circumspection, since plain legatos sound more lively because they not only render the interval transitions as they were played, but also have different target samples for every interval instead of the same sustained note: When you play, e.g., c–e and then c#–e with normal legato, you will get two different “e” tones; with sus-legato you won't.

Matrix information

Each Matrix listing contains information regarding the Patches used for the Matrix, the number of horizontal and vertical dimensions, and switching properties. A mapping table shows the Cell positions for each of the Matrix' Patches.

A/B switching normally is set to A0 for upward/crescendo, and B0 for downward/diminuendo. However, some bass instruments go below that range so that the A/B keys have to be adapted accordingly. For example, the A/B switches for double bass are A0 and A#0 because the instrument's lower range extends to B0.

In order to facilitate working with **MIDI controller switches** like the Modulation wheel, the switching positions are not distributed equally across the controller range if they control more than two Matrix rows or columns; generally, the switching range will be narrower at the extreme positions because they are easy to set, and wider in the middle where it is harder to find the desired setting.

Speed controller switches naturally are adjusted to the Patches involved, and have been tested carefully as to their playability. However, if you find that they do not fit your playing, or want to try out other settings, you can change this as well as any other controller's settings at the **Control edit** page, and save the result in your Custom Matrix folder.

Preset information

The Preset information lists the Matrices used in the Preset as well as its keyswitches. All other information can be gathered from the Matrix and Patch listings, so there's not really much to say here. Please note that the Matrices of a Preset can also be switched with MIDI Program Changes (VI: 101–112; VI PRO: 1–127) instead of keyboard notes, and if you like to keep your keyboard free for playing instead of switching, you can disable Preset keyswitching and only use MIDI Program Changes. Vienna Instruments PRO also allows you to define a MIDI Control for Preset keyswitching.

Abbreviations

Here's a list of abbreviations in Patch names, which will help you to determine a Patch's content even without the help of the Vienna Instruments browser. Please note that not all of the abbreviations may occur in the manual on hand.

Abbreviation	Meaning	Abbreviation	Meaning
acc	accelerando	me	medium (mallet)
all	combination of all the instruments of a type	mute	muted or damped
bow	played with a bow	nail	finger nail
cent	center	pont	bridge
chrom	chromatic	port	portato
cres	crescendo	RS	release samples
fing	finger	sec	secco
flutter	flutter tonguing	so	soft (mallet)
FX	effect	stac	staccato
gliss	glissando	pont	sul ponticello (played near the bridge)
ha	hard (mallet)	sus	sustained

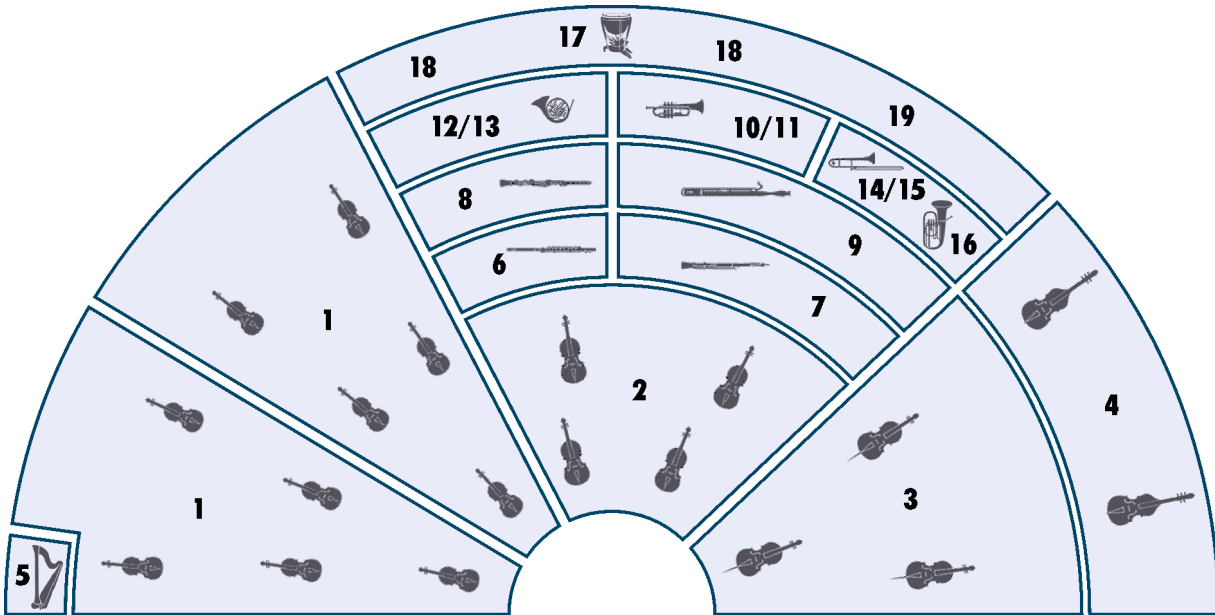
Articulations

Elements – Bass Waterphone

31 BASS WATERPHONE	Staccato A and B Portato A and B Sustained Repetitions Single notes, crescendo, forte and fortissimo Tremolo crescendo Arpeggio Glissando and effect loops Hotrods, single hits Wood, single hits and chords Strokes, light and normal
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The orchestra

There are several ways of setting up an orchestra, depending on the era of the piece played, the type of the piece and the instruments it requires, and even on the preference of the conductor. The figure below shows one of the more common setups, which can be taken as a guideline for mixing a composition, properly positioning the instruments in the stereo field and adding reverb according to the size of the concert hall you want your piece to be played in.



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|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 1st and 2nd violin | 9 Bassoon, contrabassoon |
| 2 Viola | 10/11 Trumpet |
| 3 Cello | 12/13 Horn |
| 4 Double bass | 14/15 Trombone |
| 5 Harp | 16 Tuba |
| 6 Concert flute, piccolo | 17 Timpani |
| 7 Oboe, English horn | 18 Drums, cymbals |
| 8 Clarinet, bass clarinet | 19 other percussion instruments |

Pitch

For designating pitch, the Vienna Symphonic Library uses International Pitch Notation (IPN), which was agreed upon internationally under the auspices of the Acoustical Society of America. In this system the international standard of A=440 Hz is called A4 and middle C is C4. All pitches are written as capital letters, their respective octave being indicated by a number next to it. The lowest C on the piano is C1 (the A below that is A0), etc.

You can tune your Vienna Instruments to other players, or adjust it to tunings of earlier musical periods by setting the Perform page's Master Tune option within a range of 420 to 460 Hz.

Elements – Bass Waterphone

Patches

31 BASS WATERPHONE

01 BWPH stac A Single notes: Staccato, var. A 1 velocity layer	Range: G3–G#6	Samples: 16	RAM: 1 MB
02 BWPH stac B Single notes: Staccato, var. B 1 velocity layer	Range: G3–C7	Samples: 11	RAM: 1 MB
03 BWPH port A Single notes: Portato, var. A 1 velocity layer	Range: E3–A6	Samples: 23	RAM: 1 MB
04 BWPH port B Single notes: Portato, var. B 1 velocity layer	Range: E3–E6	Samples: 13	RAM: 1 MB
11 BWPH sus Single notes: Sustained 1 velocity layer Release samples AB switch: release duration long/short	Range: E3–D6	Samples: 75	RAM: 4 MB
12 BWPH repetitions Repetitions: Normal, 4ths at 60 BPM 1 velocity layer	Range: G1–F7	Samples: 175	RAM: 10 MB
13 BWPH crescendo f Single notes: Crescendo, forte 1 velocity layer	Range: E3–D6	Samples: 21	RAM: 1 MB
14 BWPH crescendo ff Single notes: Crescendo, fortissimo 1 velocity layer	Range: E3–G6	Samples: 15	RAM: 1 MB
15 BWPH tremolo-cres Phrases: Tremolo, crescendo 1 velocity layer	Range: A3–D#6	Samples: 7	RAM: 1 MB
21 BWPH arpeggios Phrases: Arpeggios, with vibrato, soft attack, var. 1–26 Mapped to white keys 1 velocity layer	Range: C3–G6	Samples: 26	RAM: 1 MB

22 BWPH FX loops

Range: C3–G6

Samples: 60

RAM: 3 MB

Effects: Glissando, p/mf/f/ff

effects loops p/mf/f with variations

1 velocity layer

Release samples

AB switch: release duration long/short

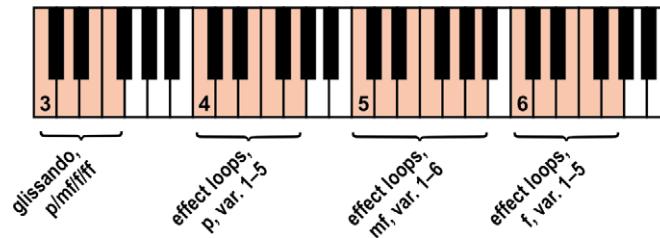
Mapping:

C3–F3: glissando, p/mf/f/ff

C4–G4: effect loops, piano, var. 1–5

C5–A5: effect loops, mezzoforte, var. 1–6

C6–G6: effect loops, forte, var. 1–5

**23 BWPH hotrods**

Range: C3–E7

Samples: 31

RAM: 1 MB

Effects: Hotrods, single hits, var. 1–31

Mapped to white keys

1 velocity layer

24 BWPH wood

Range: C3–G5

Samples: 17

RAM: 1 MB

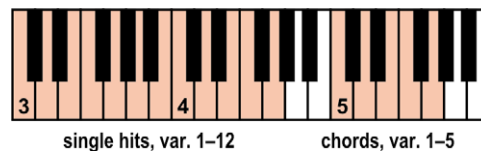
Effects: Wood mallet, single hits and chords

1 velocity layer

Mapping:

C3–G4: single hits, var. 1–12

C5–G5: chords, var. 1–5

**25 BWPH strokes**

Range: C3–C6

Samples: 31

RAM: 1 MB

Effects: Light strokes, piano

Normal strokes, piano and forte

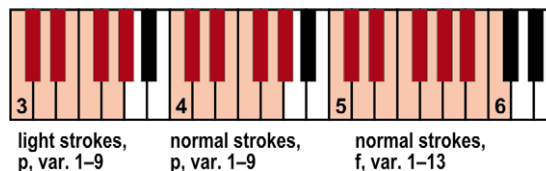
1 velocity layer

Mapping:

C3–G#3: light strokes, p, var. 1–9

C4–G#4: normal strokes, p, var. 1–9

C5–C6: normal strokes, f, var. 1–13

**99 RELEASE**

This section contains release samples for various patches of the other sections. Please do not try to load them into a Vienna Instruments matrix – you will not be able to hear anything when you try to play them.

Matrices

10 Bass Waterphone Basic

Samples: 356

RAM: 22 MB

Basic articulations: Staccato A and B, portato A and B, sustained, repetitions, crescendo forte and fortissimo, and tremolo crescendo

Matrix switches: Horizontal: Keyswitches, C1–F1 Vertical: Modwheel, 2 zones

	C1	C#1	D1	D#1	E1	F1
V1	staccato A	portato A	sustained	repetitions	crescendo f	tremolo cres.
V2	staccato B	portato B	sustained	repetitions	crescendo ff	tremolo cres.

11 Bass Waterphone FX

Samples: 165

RAM: 10 MB

Effect sounds: Arpeggios, effect loops, hotrods, wood, and strokes

Matrix switches: Horizontal: Keyswitches, C1–E1

	C1	C#1	D1	D#1	E1
V1	arpeggio	FX loops	hotrods	wood	strokes

Presets

Bass Waterphone VSL Preset

Samples: 521

RAM: 32 MB

10 Bass Waterphone basic

11 Bass Waterphone FX

Keyswitches: G1–G#1