

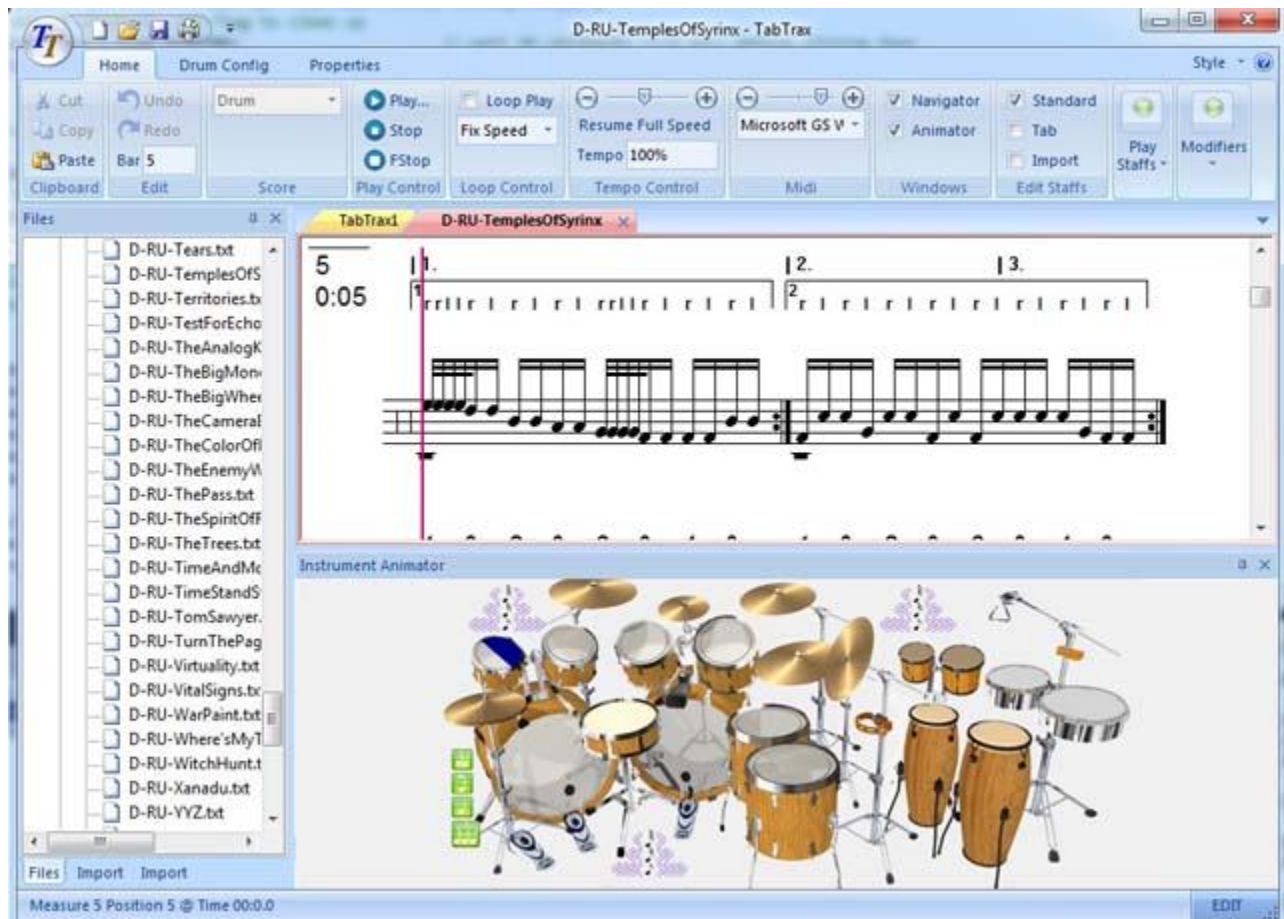
# Tabtrax Version 3.0 Help

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## Overview



'Track' is the whole music notation area including header and music staves

'Ribbon Bar' is the menu bar at the top of Tabtrax

'Bar' is same as measure, a group of notes contained within a vertical bar

'Count Bar' is the line in TabTrax below the staff lines that counts time, "1 e & a 2 e ..."

'Note area' is the part of the staff line where notes are displayed (does not include time signature area)

'Staff' or 'Staff line' refers to a group of bars on a line

'Animation Area' is the instrument animation docking view at the bottom of TabTrax

'Animation Area Active Surface' for drums, the active surface is the drum head, pedal or cymbal, for guitar, the fretboard and for piano, the keys.

'Navigator' shows a list of TabTrax and tab files installed in the 'My Documents\Tabs' folder.

Both the Navigator and the Instrument animation area are dockable, i.e. can be grabbed by dragging on the title bar and left free floating or dropped at any location on the application. They can also be shown or hidden using the buttons on the ribbon bar.

'Status bar' is the bottom line of the application. The left side shows the cursor position and playback time, the right side shows EDIT or PLAY mode

## LEFT MOUSE BUTTON ACTIONS

Mouse action	Shift /Ctrl	Over	Description
Single click		Note area	Insert or remove a note at the mouse cursor position
Single click		Count bar	Set insert cursor at mouse position (NOTE: if track is currently playing, play position will jump to insert cursor)
Single click	Shift	Count bar	Select from mouse position to start of bar
Single click	Ctrl	Count bar	Select from mouse position to end of bar
Double click		Count bar	Select whole bar
Single click		Time sig	Show time signature dialog
Single click		Under time sig	Select whole bar including time signature
Single click		Outside staves or in instrument animation area but outside active surface	Play or pause playback (same as Play button or space bar)
Double click		Outside staves or in instrument animation area but outside active surface	Stop playback (same as Stop button or Enter key)
Single click		Header area	Show header dialog
Drag		Count bar or Note area	Select drag region
Single click		Animation instrument	Insert or remove a note at the insert cursor position
Double click		Drum animation	Insert or remove a note with Left or Right hand indication at the insert cursor position
Double click		Drum Animation High Hat Pedal	Lock or unlock high hat pedal in down position
Single click		Animation jog button	Jog insert cursor
Single click		Animation modifier button	Same as modifier buttons on ribbon bar
Drag up/down		Outside staves	Zoom/Unzoom display
Drag left/right		Outside staves	Increase/decrease tempo slider

## RIGHT MOUSE BUTTON ACTIONS

Mouse action	Shift /Ctrl	Over	Description
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Single click		Note area	Show edit menu
Single click		Count bar	Show edit menu
Single click		Time sig	Launch time signature dialog
Single click		Outside staves	Show control menu
Single click		Header area	Launch header dialog

## MOUSE WHEEL ACTIONS

Mouse action	Shift/Ctrl	Over	Description
Wheel		Over track	Scroll track
Wheel	Ctrl	Over track	Zoom/unzoom display
Wheel	Shift	Over track or animation	Increase/decrease tempo slider
Wheel	Ctrl+Shift	Over track or animation	Increase/decrease volume slider
Wheel		Over animation	Jog insert cursor left or right

## ARROW KEYS

Mouse action	Shift /Ctrl	Selection or Insert cursor	Description
Left or Right		Insert cursor	Move insert cursor left or right
Left or Right		Selection	Move selected notes left or right
Left	Shift	Insert cursor	Move note or notes at the immediate left of the insert cursor to the left
Right	Shift	Insert cursor	Move note or notes at the immediate right of the insert cursor to the right
Left	Ctrl	Insert cursor	Select all notes at the immediate right of the insert cursor up to the end of the bar to the left
Right	Ctrl	Insert cursor	Select all notes at the immediate right of the insert cursor up to the end of the bar to the right
Single click		Time sig	Show time signature dialog
Single click		Under time sig	Select whole bar including time signature
Single click		Outside staves	Play or pause playback (same as Play button or space bar)
Double click		Outside staves	Stop playback (same as Stop button or Enter key)
Single click		Header area	Show header dialog
Drag		Count bar or Note area	Select drag region
Single click		Animation instrument	Insert or remove a note at the insert cursor position
Single click		Animation jog button	Jog insert cursor
Single click		Animation modifier button	Same as modifier buttons on ribbon bar
Drag up/down		Outside staves	Zoom/Unzoom display
Drag left/right		Outside staves	Increase/decrease tempo slider

## KEYBOARD KEYS

Key	Shift /Ctrl	Where	Description
Space bar		Anywhere	Start/pause playback
Esc		Anywhere	Full stop playback and return to start of track, clear selection and clear modifiers (flam, accent, etc.)
C	Ctrl	Selection	Copy selection to clipboard
X	Ctrl	Selection	Cut selection and place in clipboard
V	Ctrl	Selection	Overwrite selection with contents of clipboard. Note, if clipboard contains bar headers, only whole bars will be inserted.
V	Ctrl	Insert cursor	Insert contents of clipboard at insert cursor. Note, if clipboard contains bar headers, only whole bars will be inserted.
A	Ctrl	Anywhere	Select whole track
Return		Anywhere	Stop playback and return to insert cursor or start of selection
Tab		Insert cursor	Insert a rest at the insert cursor position
Ins		Insert cursor	Insert a new bar ahead of the insert cursor position
T		Selection of 3 equally spaced notes and/or rests	Tripletize or untripletize selected notes
F		Mouse over note	Flam or un-flam the note under the mouse cursor
F		Active selection	Flam or un-flam the notes inside the selection
A		Mouse over note	Accent or un-accent the note under the mouse cursor
A		Active selection	Accent or un-accent the notes inside the selection
G		Mouse over note	Ghost or un-ghost the note under the mouse cursor
G		Active selection	Ghost or un-ghost the notes inside the selection
L	Ctrl	Mouse over note	Mark Left hand play notation at the note under the mouse cursor
L	Ctrl	Active selection	Mark Left hand play notation on the notes inside the selection
R	Ctrl	Mouse over note	Mark Right hand play notation at the note under the mouse
R	Ctrl	Active selection	Mark Right hand play notation on the notes inside the selection
0-9		Over time signature	Sets the time signature for the bar, i.e. 4 followed by 4 sets 4/4 time, 12 followed by 8 sets 12/8 time

*The following keys add or delete notes at a time position. If the cursor is hovering over the staff area or the count bar, the note will be added or removed if it already exists, at the time interval that the mouse is highlighting. If the mouse is not hovering over the staff area or count bar (for example, in the drum animation), then the notes will be added or removed at the current cursor insert position.*

## KEYBOARD KEYS FOR DRUM ENTRY

Key	Shift/Ctrl	Drum/Cymbal/Perc	Midi note
S		Acoustic Snare	38
E		Electric Snare	40
K		Kick (Bass) Drum	36
Q		Kick (Bass) Drum 2	35
H		Closed High Hat	42

O		Open High Hat	46
P		High Hat Pedal	44
C		Crash Cymbal 1	49
V		Crash Cymbal 2	57
R		Ride Cymbal	51
B		Ride Cymbal Bell	53
N		Chinese Cymbal	52
L		Splash Cymbal	55
1 to 6		Tom 1 to 6	50,48,47,45,43,41
I		Side Sticks	37
W		Cow Bell	56
M		Tambourine	54
D		Hand Clap	39
S	Shift	Vibraslap	58
B	Shift	High Bongo	60
N	Shift	Low Bongo	61
X	Shift	Mute High Conga	62
C	Shift	Open High Conga	63
V	Shift	Low Conga	64
T	Shift	High Timbale	65
Y	Shift	Low Timbale	66
G	Shift	High Agogo	67
H	Shift	Low Agogo	68
A	Shift	Casaba	69
M	Shift	Maracas	70
O	Shift	Short Whistle	71
P	Shift	Long Whistle	72
U	Shift	Short Guiro	73
I	Shift	Long Guiro	74
L	Shift	Claves	75
W	Shift	High Woodblock	76
E	Shift	Low Woodblock	77
D	Shift	Mute Cuica	78
F	Shift	Open Cuica	79
J	Shift	Mute Triangle	80
K	Shift	Open Triangle	81

(Note: if the mouse is hovering over a time signature, the number keys will set the time signature value)

