Ableton Live

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This is the Kit Maker 2 manual. Using Kit Maker 3? Read the Kit Maker 3 manual.

View the Kit Maker: Ableton Video for overview and instructions on creating Ableton drum kits.

There is an Ableton Live section of the Preferences which is explained earlier in this Manual.
Please read that section which explains additional options for Ableton Live which are not repeated here.

Once processed, Ableton kits can be found in your User Library.
User Library > Presets > Instruments > Kit Maker Kits

Sample files are stored in the User Library
User Library>Samples>Imported>Kit Maker Samples

The Ableton Live preferences have a section that shows exactly where your User Library location is on your computer.
By default, Kit Maker will save the files to the default User Library location on your computer.

The Kit Maker Preferences have helpful buttons to reveal where the Kits and Samples are being saved, if you have issues or need to troubleshoot and confirm their output.

IMPORTANT Do you use a custom location for your Ableton User Library? Remember to link to that folder in the Kit Maker Preferences. Visit this page for more info on Ableton drum kits and custom User Library locations.

TIP To make your kits quick to access in the future, drag the Kit Maker Kits folder to your Places sidebar in Ableton. The location of this folder is shown above.

If you want to re-process the same library over again (for example: you changed your mind and wanted to use a different layout etc), it is best to delete both that sample pack's folder (the pack you are processing again - ie 'Dark Trap Drums') from both the Kit Maker Samples folder *and* Kit Maker Kits folder inside the User Library. Then you can process the library again.

Depending on the changes you made in the Preferences, you can sometimes get away with just reprocessing the pack (which will overwrite the .adg files). But it is *recommended* to delete the files first, which removes possible hiccups.

The imported samples must be kept in your Ableton User Library. Custom Ableton User Library locations are compatible with Kit Maker. Having your User Library on an external drive can be helpful if your local hard drive is low on space.

Ableton accepted sample audio file formats: .wav, .aiff, .mp3

Ableton Push

Kits can be used with Ableton Push, including Ableton Push 3. When controlling the desktop software with your Push, you can view and open kits from the Ableton Places sidebar (on the left of the Desktop Ableton Live screen). As said above, it is recommended to add the Kit Maker Kits folder here, which makes it very easy to access them from the Push controller.

For Push 3 *standalone* users, check out our article and video on how to transfer Ableton kits onto Push 3 Standalone.