



FabFilter Micro

User Manual



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About FabFilter Micro

FabFilter Micro is the ultimate lightweight filter plug-in, making the classic FabFilter sound affordable for everyone. With just one filter and an envelope follower to modulate its frequency, it can be used for simple filtering tasks, sound coloring and creative filtering effects.



Key feature of FabFilter Micro is its unique resonating, screaming and saturating filter that we first created for the FabFilter One synthesizer. It features both LP and HP filter shapes and an adjustable envelope follower to modulate the filter frequency according to the incoming audio signal. Furthermore, independent input and output gain controls enable you to saturate the filter more or less depending on your distortion needs!

Of course, we also included the common FabFilter goodies such as amazingly easy-to-use MIDI learn, Smart Parameter Interpolation for smooth parameter changes, undo and redo features, a flexible preset system, and a complete help file including interactive help hints.

FabFilter Micro is available in VST, VST3, AU (Audio Units), AAX Native and AudioSuite formats (all both 64-bit and 32-bit).

Windows requirements

32-bit: Windows 10, 8, 7, Vista or XP
64-bit: Windows 10, 8, 7 or Vista (x64)
VST 2/3 host or Pro Tools

macOS requirements

OS X 10.8 or higher
AU or VST 2/3 host or Pro Tools
Intel processor

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Quick start

The installer will copy the FabFilter Micro plug-in into the common VST, VST 3, AU (macOS only) and Pro Tools plug-in folders on your computer. On macOS, the global plug-in folders in /Library/Audio/Plug-Ins are used.

In most cases, your host will then recognize the plugin automatically. However, if the instructions below do not work, see [Manual installation](#) instead.

- **Cubase**

Choose an empty insert slot, for example in the Mixer, and select FabFilter Micro from the menu that appears. To use the MIDI features in Micro, create a new MIDI track and set its output to the Micro instance you have just created. (The VST 3 version of Micro can be found in the Filter section.)

- **Logic Pro**

Choose an empty insert slot on one of your audio tracks, instrument tracks or buses and select FabFilter Micro from the pop-up menu. You will find FabFilter Micro in the *Audio Units* > *FabFilter* section (named FF Micro).

- **Ableton Live**

In Session view, select the track you would like to place FabFilter Micro on, for example by clicking the track name. At the left top of Ableton Live's interface, click on the Plug-in Device Browser icon (third icon from the top). From the plug-ins list, double-click FabFilter/FabFilter Micro, or drag it onto the track.

- **Pro Tools**

Choose an empty insert slot on one of your audio tracks, instrument tracks or buses and select FabFilter Micro from the pop-up menu in the Effect section.

To begin, just open the plug-in and drag the filter curve around. Enjoy!

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Overview

The interface of FabFilter Micro mainly consists of a big filter display that lets you tweak the filter interactively.



- **Interactive filter display**

The filter display lets you tweak the frequency and peak of the filter just by dragging the peak around. See [Interactive filter display](#).

- **Filter controls**

The filter controls at the bottom of the display provide full access to all filter parameters. See [Filter controls](#).

- **Output options**

The input and output controls on the right of the bottom bar enable you to adjust the gain before and after filtering. See [Output options](#).

- **MIDI learn**

MIDI Learn lets you easily associate any MIDI controller with any plug-in parameter. See [MIDI Learn](#).

- **Presets, undo and redo, help**

With the preset buttons, you can easily browse through the factory presets or save your own settings so you can re-use them in other songs. The Undo and Redo buttons at the top of the plug-in interface enable you to easily undo your changes. Finally, the Help menu provides access to help and version information. See [Loading presets](#) and [Undo and redo](#).

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Knobs

It is easy to control FabFilter Micro's parameters with the large round knobs. They will light up when you move the mouse cursor around to indicate that you can adjust them. The moment you move the mouse cursor over a knob, a parameter value display will pop up, which shows the name and the current value of the parameter.



All knobs support four ways of control:

1. **Vertical mode**

Click on the center area of a knob and drag up or down to rotate it. The knob reacts to the speed with which you are dragging, so if you move the mouse slowly, you make precise adjustments.

2. **Rotate mode**

Grab the arrow of the knob and drag it around. By moving the mouse cursor further away from the knob while dragging it, you can make precise adjustments.

3. **Mouse wheel mode**

Perhaps the easiest way to make adjustments is by using the mouse wheel when you hover over a knob. This mode works for all the knobs and possible panning rings. (On Windows, you might need to click in the plug-in interface first to make sure it is the active window.)

4. **Text entry mode**

Double-click a knob to enter an exact value using the keyboard.

Tips

- To **reset** a knob to its default position, hold down the *Ctrl* key (Windows) or *Command* key (macOS) and click the knob once. Note: In Pro Tools, Micro uses the default Pro Tools keyboard shortcut for reset: *Alt*+click.
- To **fine-tune** a value when using vertical drag mode or the mouse wheel, hold down the *Shift* key while dragging or moving the mouse wheel. Note: In Pro Tools, Micro uses the default Pro Tools keyboard shortcut for fine tune: *Ctrl*+drag on Windows or *Command*+drag on macOS.
- There are several **handy shortcuts in text entry mode**. With frequency values, you can type e.g. '1k' to set the value to 1000 Hz, and also 'A4' for 440 Hz, or even strings like 'C#3+13'. With dB values, you can type e.g. '2x' to get +6 dB (the value that corresponds to two times louder). With all values, you can also type a percentage (e.g. '50%' will put a knob exactly in the middle position).
- Sometimes, knobs in our plug-in interfaces are **linked**: these be adjusted simultaneously by holding down the *Alt* key (*Shift* key in Pro Tools) while dragging on one of them. For example, an output level and input level setting of a plug-in could be adjusted simultaneously (in the opposite direction) this way.

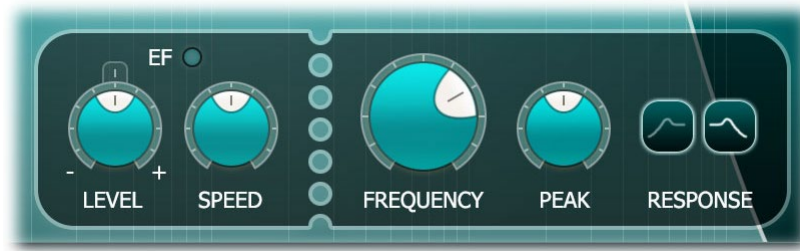
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Filter controls

The filter controls provide full access to all of FabFilter Micro's filter parameters.



- **Frequency**

The Frequency knob sets the cut-off frequency of the filter over the entire audio range.

- **Peak**

The Peak knob adjusts the resonance of the filter. A little resonance will cause the filter to create warmer and more characteristic tones. At maximum resonance, the filter will self-oscillate at the center frequency.

- **Response**

The Response buttons select between low-pass and high-pass filter shapes. FabFilter Micro's filter always has a 12 dB/octave steepness.

- **EF Level**

At the far left, the Level knob sets the amount of filter frequency modulation with the built-in envelope follower. You can set both negative and positive modulation. In the center position, no modulation will take place. The little reset button at the top of the level knob lets you easily turn off modulation altogether.

- **EF Speed**

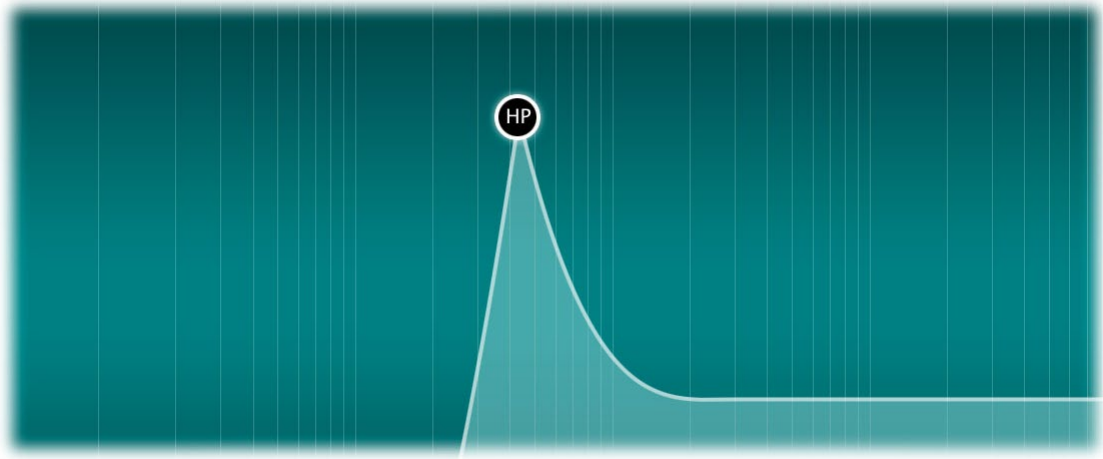
The Speed knob adjusts how quickly the envelope follower reacts to changes in the input signal. When turned all the way to the left, the envelope follower reacts quickly and aggressively to changes. When turned all the way to the right, the response to changes is very slow and smooth. The default position in the center provides a good overall behavior.

Tip: the EF light above the envelope follower controls shows you how much filter frequency modulation is currently taking place.

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Interactive filter display



The interactive filter display gives an overview of the filter parameters and makes it very easy to adjust multiple filter parameters simultaneously. The vertical lines in the background represent a logarithmic scale that correspond to the actual filter frequencies.

- **Drag** the filter peak to adjust the *Frequency* and *Peak* parameters for that filter.
- **Ctrl+click** (**Command+click** on Mac) the filter peak to toggle between the low-pass and high-pass filter responses.

Tip: Of course, all changes made in the filter display can be automated!

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Output options

At the righthand side of the bottom bar in the interface, FabFilter Micro contains independent input and output gain parameters.



- The **Input Gain** parameter sets the gain that is applied before the signal enters the filter. You can use this to amplify the signal so it saturates the filter more or less, adjusting the amount of distortion.
- The **Output Gain** parameter sets the gain that is applied after the filter. If you have amplified the incoming signal with the Input Gain parameter, you can use the Output Gain to attenuate it again to obtain a reasonable output level.

Tips

- Hold down the *Alt* key while dragging to adjust both levels simultaneously, but in reverse direction. This lets you easily change the distortion level in one step.
- You can directly adjust the output gain by clicking and dragging the output button vertically, so there is no need to click it first to view the output knobs. All keyboard modifiers that work on knobs also apply here. See [Knobs](#) for more information.
- When the output knobs are visible, you can double-click them to be able to enter a value directly using the keyboard.

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MIDI Learn

Controlling FabFilter Micro's parameters directly with MIDI is very easy using the MIDI Learn feature. With MIDI Learn, you can associate any MIDI controller with any parameter.



Click the **MIDI Learn** button in the bottom bar to enter MIDI Learn mode. The interface dims and the parameters that can be controlled are highlighted. Each parameter has a small text balloon that displays the associated controller number. Now do the following to associate a controller number with a parameter:

1. Touch the control of the desired parameter in the interface that you wish to control. A red square will mark the chosen parameter.
2. Adjust the slider or knob on your MIDI keyboard or MIDI controller that you want to associate with that parameter.

That's it! The parameter will now be controlled with the MIDI controller. You can now go back to step 1 to associate a different parameter. Note that there is no warning when you associate a different knob with a controller number that is already used. It will just be replaced.

To exit MIDI Learn mode, click the MIDI Learn button again, or click Close at the top of the interface.

Click the small menu drop-down button next to the MIDI Learn button to access the **MIDI Learn menu**:

- **Enable MIDI**
This globally turns MIDI control of parameters on or off: useful in hosts that automatically send all MIDI events on a track to all effect plug-ins associated with that track as well.
- **Clear**
This submenu shows all parameter associations and lets you delete individual associations or clear all associations in one step.
- **Revert**
Reverts to the last saved MIDI mapping (or the state when the plug-in was started).
- **Save**
Saves the current MIDI mapping so Revert will go back to this state. The current mapping is automatically saved when closing the plug-in.

Routing MIDI to effect plug-ins

For MIDI Learn to work properly, the plug-in needs to actually receive MIDI of course. Depending on your host, it can be quite difficult to route MIDI data to effect plug-ins. Here's how to do it in the most important hosts:

- **Logic Pro**
Instead of adding FabFilter Micro to one of the insert slots, create a new **Instrument Track**, and click on the Instrument slot. Then choose **AU MIDI-controlled Effects > FabFilter > FF Micro**. Now, the plug-in receives MIDI. To get audio into the plug-in, click the '**Side Chain**' drop down menu in Logic's plug-in header and choose the actual input track. Next, you can mute that original track, so you only hear the

audio through the plug-in. The only downside is that plug-ins with an external side-chain cannot use it anymore.

- **Cubase**

Simply create a new **MIDI track** and set its output to the Micro instance you would like to control via MIDI.

- **Pro Tools**

Create a new **MIDI track**. From the MIDI input drop down menu, choose your MIDI device (if not already selected) and from the MIDI output drop down menu, choose FabFilter Micro -> channel 1 for the instance you would like to control.

- **Ableton Live**

First of all, create a new **MIDI track**. From the 'MIDI from' drop down menu, choose your MIDI device (if not already selected). Then, in the 'MIDI to' drop down menu, choose the Audio track that has FabFilter Micro on it. Note: only the first plug-in on any track can receive MIDI.

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Undo and redo

The Undo and Redo buttons at the top of the FabFilter Micro interface enable you to easily undo changes you made to the plug-in.



- The **Undo** button at the left will undo the last change. Every change to the plug-in (such as dragging a knob or selecting a new preset) creates a new state in the undo history. The Undo button steps back through the history to restore the previous states of the plug-in.
- The **Redo** button cancels the last undo command. It steps forward through the history until you are back at the most recent plug-in state.

Notes

- If the plug-in parameters are changed without using the plug-in interface, for example with MIDI or automation, no new undo states are recorded.
- The Undo and Redo buttons will disable themselves if there is nothing to undo or redo.

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Loading presets

FabFilter Micro comes with a small set of basic presets, giving a good idea of what you can do.

- To load a preset, click the preset button. The presets menu will appear with all available presets. Click a menu item to load that preset. The currently selected preset is highlighted with check marks.
- To explore the presets one by one, click on the little arrow buttons to the left and right of the main preset button. This will load the previous or next preset in the menu.

The preset button shows the name of the current preset. If you have changed the preset by adjusting one or more parameters, the name is dimmed to indicate that this is not the original preset anymore.

Tips

- The **Default Setting** preset is loaded automatically when FabFilter Micro is started. To change the default settings, simply overwrite this preset by clicking **Options > Save As Default** in the presets menu.
- To open a preset outside the [presets folder](#), click **Options > Open Other Preset**. This might be useful if someone sends you a preset by email, for example.
- If somehow the factory presets are lost or not installed properly, click **Options > Restore Factory Presets** in the preset menu to restore them.

MIDI Program Change and Bank Select

Loading a presets can also be done via MIDI, using Bank Select and Program Change messages. Click **Options > Enable MIDI Program Changes** in the preset menu to enable or disable this feature. When enabled, the corresponding bank/program numbers are shown in front of the preset name (for example: *(0/65) My Preset*). This means that you can load that preset by first sending a Bank Select message to select bank 0 and then sending a Program Change message to select program 65.

Important: All the presets in your preset folder are numbered automatically, starting with bank 0 and program 0. This way, you are able to access any of the presets via MIDI. However, this also means that when you add new presets to the menu, bank/program numbers of other presets might change. Be aware of this when recording program changes in a session! We recommend to create a dedicated folder in your presets folder for your program changes, and name it with two leading underscores (e.g. "Programs") to ensure it's the first folder in your preset collection and the presets in this folder start with bank 0 and program 0.

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Saving presets

You can easily extend the included presets with new settings to build your own library of presets for FabFilter Micro that you can reuse in various projects. This is also a good way to copy settings across multiple instances of FabFilter Micro in a session.

To save the current setting as a preset, click the preset button, and then click *Save As*. A standard Save dialog will appear. Type a name for the new preset and click *Save* to finish.

In the Save dialog, you can also rename and delete existing presets and create a new folder to store presets in. New folders will show up as new categories in the preset menu. (On macOS, this should be done with the Finder.)

See [How presets are stored](#) to determine the preset folder location and learn more about factory presets.

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How presets are stored

Presets for FabFilter Micro are stored in separate files with the .ffp extension (for FabFilter Preset). All presets reside in subfolders in the main preset folder. The subfolders will show up as separate categories in the preset menu. You can also further divide the subfolders into categories.

You can manage the preset files just like other files on your computer. The easiest way to do this is in the Save dialog that appears if you are saving a preset. The preset menu will automatically reload itself with the changes when the dialog is closed.

Furthermore it is very easy to share your newly created presets with other users since FabFilter presets use the same file format on both Windows and macOS.

The default location of the main preset folder is *My Documents\FabFilter\Micro* for Windows, and *~/Library/Audio/Presets/FabFilter/FabFilter Micro* for macOS. To change this location, first copy all presets to the desired new location, and then click **Options > Change Preset Folder** in the preset menu and select the new folder.

Restoring factory presets

If you have accidentally lost the factory presets, you can easily restore them by clicking **Options > Restore Factory Presets** in the preset menu. This will install all factory presets again.

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Purchasing FabFilter Micro

Once you have downloaded and installed the evaluation copy of FabFilter Micro, you may evaluate it during 30 days. Every time you start the plug-in, you will see the following dialog:




While there are still days left, you can click **Evaluate** to start working with the plugin. If you want to keep using FabFilter Micro after the evaluation period, you must buy a copy in the online FabFilter Shop by clicking the **Buy Now** button in the evaluation dialog.

- [Go to the FabFilter Shop and purchase FabFilter Micro now](#) 

We accept credit cards from all major companies, check payments, wire payments, and PayPal. The FabFilter Shop uses secure connections and encryption: therefore your personal information is completely safe.

Within a few minutes after you have purchased your copy, you will receive an email containing your personal license key. You use this license key to turn the evaluation copy into a fully registered version without the evaluation dialog and the 30-day trial restriction.

Note: If the evaluation period has expired but you didn't have the chance to properly evaluate the plug-in, you can request a new evaluation period by contacting us at info@fabfilter.com .

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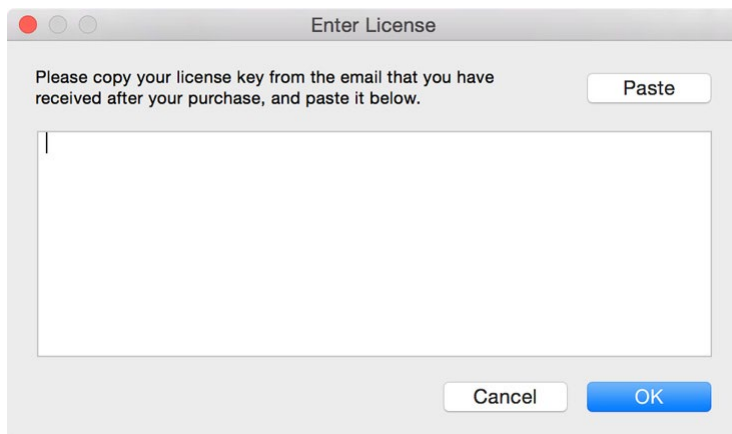
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Entering your license key

After you have purchased FabFilter Micro in the online [FabFilter Shop](#), you will immediately receive an e-mail containing your personal license key. This license key will turn the evaluation version into a fully registered plug-in.

- Start FabFilter Micro and click **Enter License** in the evaluation dialog, or click Enter License on the Help menu if the plug-in is already running.
- Copy the license information from the email you have received and paste it into the text field. Make sure that you are copying the entire license key including the *Product* and *Licensee* lines! If you are not sure what text to copy, just copy and paste the whole e-mail.



After you have entered your license information, you will need to restart the plug-in host, so make sure you save your settings if needed. From now on, you will be able to use FabFilter Micro for an unlimited period of time with full support via email.

Tips

- After your purchase, you can always retrieve your license key again by logging into your [personal FabFilter account](#). Here you can also keep track of all your orders and take advantage of great discounts when buying other FabFilter plug-ins.
- To deauthorize your license key and remove it from the computer, click **Deauthorize** on the Help menu. If you temporarily needed to install your license on another computer, or if you have transferred your license to someone else, this is the way to deinstall your personal license key safely.

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Support


If you need help with problems or questions, and the help file does not provide an answer, please visit the support pages on our web site.

- [Go to FabFilter Support](#) 

From here, you have direct access to the customer support forum, very useful tutorial videos for all FabFilter plug-ins, online and PDF versions of all our help files, and a section with extra downloads (such as presets, controller templates, older plug-in versions).

For sales-related questions and technical support, you can also contact FabFilter directly at info@fabfilter.com.

Reporting a bug

If you have encountered a bug in FabFilter Micro, first of all make sure that you are using the latest version of the plug-in, which you can find at www.fabfilter.com/download . You can easily check the version of FabFilter Micro that you are using by clicking Help > About in the plug-in interface. If the bug is still present in the latest version, please send us an e-mail at info@fabfilter.com and include as much technical information as possible: operation system and version, host software and version, steps to reproduce the bug, etc. Thanks in advance!

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Manual installation

When installing FabFilter Micro, the installation program will try to copy the plug-in into the appropriate plug-ins folders, and in most cases your host will recognize FabFilter Micro automatically. Otherwise, please follow these instructions:

Windows

On Windows, most hosts have their own VST plug-ins folder. So if you are using Windows and your host does not recognize FabFilter Micro, you need to locate the proper plug-ins folder for your host first (it is usually shown in the Preferences or similar dialog). Then, copy the file *FabFilter Micro.dll* from *C:\Program Files\FabFilter\Micro* (or *C:\Program Files (x86)\FabFilter\Micro* if you are using a 32-bit host on 64-bit Windows) to the plug-ins folder that you have found and restart the host so it can reload all its plug-ins. For the AAX version of Micro, copy the *FabFilter Micro.aaxplugin* folder to the common Pro Tools AAX plug-in folder on your computer.

You can simply uninstall plug-ins or bundles via the Control Panel.

macOS

On macOS, plug-ins are installed in the standard plug-in folders in the system Library folder. These are the *only* possible correct locations:

- Audio Units: */Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/Components*
- VST/VST3: */Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/VST* and */Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/VST3*
- AAX: */Library/Application Support/Avid/Audio/Plug-Ins*


Note: AU and VST/VST3 plug-ins may also be placed in the user's Library folders under */Users/<username>/Library/Audio/Plug-Ins*.

To uninstall the plug-ins from your Mac, you can just delete the specific FabFilter plug-in files at the above locations. Finally, if you really want to delete all data written by our plug-ins, you can remove the following folders/files from the user Library folder as well:

- */Users/<username>/Library/Audio/Presets/FabFilter/FabFilter Micro*
- */Users/<username>/Library/Application Support/FabFilter/Micro*
- */Users/<username>/Library/Preferences/com.fabfilter.Micro.1.plist*

Note: Since OS X 10.7 (Lion), the system and user Library folders are marked as hidden by default. To make them visible again in Finder, open Terminal (found in */Applications/Utilities*) and enter the following commands:

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chflags nohidden /Library
chflags nohidden ~/Library
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If you still have problems, contact [FabFilter Support](#) .

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VST plug-in versions

FabFilter Micro is available in both VST 2 and VST 3 formats. They can be installed and used both at the same time. The VST 3 format is more CPU-friendly in some cases, but it can only be used by hosts that support it, for example recent versions of Cubase, Studio One or FL Studio. The VST 2 format is compatible with a larger variety of hosts.

Both the VST 2 and VST 3 versions of the plug-in automatically adapt themselves to the channel layout of the track they are inserted on (mono/stereo).

For the VST 2 format, there is a separate *FabFilter Micro (Mono)* version of the plug-in which always runs in mono mode. This is included for backwards compatibility with existing sessions. For new sessions we recommend to use the regular plug-in which automatically adapts itself to the track it is inserted on.

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About FabFilter

Beautiful sound. Fantastic workflow. These are the foundations of FabFilter. We create powerful audio plug-ins with superb sound quality and innovative interfaces.

A unique perspective

At FabFilter, we make the best possible tools for music production and audio processing. To achieve this, we continually rethink and challenge industry standards: we've never been afraid of reinventing the wheel. Considering every little detail, we tune our algorithms and interfaces until they sound perfect, look amazing and feel great to work with.

It's the sound that counts

Above everything else, you need superb sound quality. That's why we put a lot of effort into developing unique audio processing algorithms, ranging from our famous resonating filters to transparent high-end EQ and dynamics processing.

Innovative interfaces, great design

Every FabFilter plug-in has an easy-to-use, well-designed interface aimed at providing unsurpassed workflow. Our plug-ins focus on the task you're performing at that specific moment: they expose the features you need, when you need them. And because of our special attention to design, you'll be delighted every time you open a FabFilter plug-in.

Don't take our word for it

We always set the highest standard for sound quality, usability and design to make truly great products that raise the bar on what audio software can do. That's why we're very happy with the praise we've received from users and press alike:

"In the decade since the release of its first plug-in, One, FabFilter has made an indelible mark on the music production landscape." — Computer Music magazine

"While many other software developers are busy trying to model hardware, FabFilter is leaving them in the dust by being visionaries and reaching into the future. FabFilter stuff is just on another level." — Jeff Sanders

"FabFilter has an enviable reputation for making easy-to-use, powerful tools." — Music Tech magazine

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