

PRESS RELEASE

Kurzweil SP6 – The next generation 88-key stage piano



We are proud to announce the all new Kurzweil SP6 Stage Piano. Following the standard of sonic excellence established by the Forte®, Forte SE and PC3 series, the SP6, powered by the new LENA® processor, brings your performance to new heights with its astonishing sound quality, light-weight, depth of control and simple operation - all within easy reach.

The SP6 raises the bar for Stage Pianos with its multiple exquisitely detailed piano models, and support for advanced pedaling and acoustic string resonance modeling again. The SP6 features the patented FlashPlay® Technology with astonishing 2 GB of sounds including the highly acclaimed German and Japanese Grand Piano Sounds of the Forte, VA1 analog synth modeling sounds, and B3 ToneReal organ modeling for classic Hammond, Vox, and Farfisa organs sounds - all with real-time performance controls. The streamlined user interface with easy access controls and a weight of 12,36 kg make this a full-fledged performance instrument light as air and a dream for the touring and performing piano player.

Content of this Press Release:

- Introducing the Kurzweil SP6. Powerfully Simple.
- 2 Gigabyte of Sounds
- Patented FlashPlay® Technology
- Powerful FX Engine
- K.S.R. - Kurzweil String Resonance
- KB3 ToneReal™ Organs
- Gig-Lite
- 88-note Hammer-Action Keyboard
- 4 Arpeggiators!
- 20 MIDI Controllers
- Easy Access Controls
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Rangsdorf, 5th of September 2017 - Kurzweil presents its new 88 key professional stage piano, the SP6.

The SP6 is an advanced stage piano and built to dominate. It continues the legacy of the legendary SP Series models which had been played on stages all over the world for decades. The SP6 provides several high definition grand pianos with acoustic modeling features, VAST Variable Architecture Synthesis Technology, Kurzweil VA1 analog synth modeling, and furthermore KB3 ToneReal organ modeling for classic Hammond, Vox, and Farfisa organs with real-time performance controls. An 11 second start-up, zero loading time thanks to 2 GB of flash memory, and an excellent total instrument weight of 12,36 kg make this a full-fledged performance instrument.

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Highlights

Facts

- Kurzweil announces SP6 Stage Piano
- SP6 features 2GB of FlashPlay® Sounds
- New KSR - Kurzweil String Resonance Feature
- Compact and portable - 12kg weight

Produkt name

SP6

Brand

Kurzweil

Exclusive distribution

Sound Service GmbH

Website

www.sound-service.eu

www.kurzweil.com

Price (MSRP)

1426,81 Euro incl. 19% Vat

Availability

Autumn 2017

Media

Press-Download incl. product pictures

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As Kurzweil has long been known for, extra special attention has been given to features for pianists, including multiple exquisitely detailed piano models, and support for advanced pedaling and acoustic string resonance modeling. This instrument is also designed with modern music performance in mind, as is embodied by the subtle futuristic shape and brushed metal front plating. Use the multifunctional knobs to adjust the volume envelope, filter frequency and resonance, or access 32 FX units plus hundreds of complex effect chains.

2 Gigabytes of Sounds!

Hear the new High Definition Japanese Grand and German D Grand, each optimized especially for the SP6 and featuring "KSR" - Kurzweil String Resonance. The SP6 offers all of the sample content from the Forte SE and features a wide selection of tailored sounds from the acclaimed Forte® and Forte SE (EP, Clav, Celeste, Crotales, Harpsichord), as well as PC3 Series and KORE 64™ expansions - all handcrafted to deliver more control over these sounds than we've ever presented before.

Patented FlashPlay® Technology

Powered by Flash-Play®, the SP6 boots in 11 seconds with 2 GB of on-board sample content, zero-loading time, loads of powerful DSP and ultrafast performance. Load programs from the Forte, Forte SE and PC3 family*.

*(some restrictions apply)

Powerful FX Engine

Experience more simultaneous FX in your performance multis and external sequencing! - and tweak away with dedicated knob assignments. Featuring 32 FX units of horsepower, enjoy award-winning Reverbs, Delays, Choruses, Flangers, Phasers, Distortions, Rotary Amplifiers, Compressors and more.

K.S.R. - Kurzweil String Resonance

Piano string resonance modeling for enhanced acoustic piano performance!

KB3 ToneReal™ Organs

Modeled after classic Hammond, Vox and Farfisa organs. Featuring real-time performance controls.

Gig-Lite

At only 12 kg the SP6 is our lightest professional 88-note model ever!

88-note Hammer-Action Keyboard

Every sound within the SP6 is perfectly matched to its 88-note fully-weighted hammer-action keyboard. Further tailor the SP6 response to your playing style via 10 selectable key velocity maps.

4 Arpeggiators!

Looking for a pulse? Activate up to 4 independent Arps (1 per program, 4 per Multi) with dedicated on/off and tap tempo buttons.

20 MIDI Controllers

Maximize your real-time control over every preset via the SP6's 4 Knobs*, 1 Switch, 2 Wheels, 2 Dual-Switch Pedal Inputs**, and 1 Continuous Control Pedal Input.

*(configured as 4x3 = 12 virtual controls)

** (support for half-damper pedal for pianos or up to 4 standard switch pedals / 1 standard sustain/switch pedal is included).

Easy Access Controls

Pitch/Modulation wheels along with dedicated -/+ Transpose and sound Variation controls conveniently located right on the front panel.

Sound Selection

Easy Category and Program/Multi selection and assignment. Enjoy per-program instant demos to quickly audition each sound.

Favorites Section

Access your Favorite sounds with ONE button press! Conveniently located right below the SP6's display.

Software Editors

Get deeper into editing your SP6 using free external software editors for Mac OS X, Windows PC and iOS devices!

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Technical Specifications

- Keyboard: 88 note fully-weighted hammer-action with velocity sensitive keys (Medeli K6)
- Display: 128x64 pixel monochrome LCD
- Polyphony: 128 voice polyphony, dynamically allocated
- Multitimbral: 16 parts (one per MIDI channel)
- Architecture:
 - VAST: Variable Architecture Synthesis Technology
 - KB3: ToneReal emulation
 - VA1: anti-aliasing, power-shaped oscillators and DSP processing from Kurzweil's VA1 concept synth
- Quick Split/Layer: Easy access with adjustable relative volume (up to 4 zones)
- Factory Programs: 256
- User Programs: 1024
- Factory Multis: 130
- User Multis: 1024
- Favorites: 5
- Compatibility:
 - 100% compatibility with Forte SE programs
 - Load sounds from the Forte and PC3 family programs (some restrictions apply)
- General MIDI: No
- Kurzweil String Resonance: Yes
- Piano Damper Noise: Yes
- Effects: Hundreds of complex effect chains, incorporated into programs featuring our award winning effects - reverbs, delays, chorus, flange, phaser, EQs, distortions, rotary speaker simulators, compressors, and more (32 total FX units)
- Controllers:
 - 1 pitch wheel
 - 1 modulation wheel
 - 4 front panel knobs (configured as 4x3 = 12 virtual controls)
 - 1 variation switch
 - 1 arp switch
 - 2 transpose switches
 - 1 tap tempo switch
 - 2 dual-switch pedal inputs (supports dual switch and half-damper for pianos)
 - 1 continuous control pedal inputs
- Arpeggiators: 1-per Program, 4-per Multi
- Analog Outputs: Two 1/4" balanced TRS analog (32-bit DACs)
- Headphones: 1 back-panel 1/4" headphone output; 130mW into 32 ohm headphones
- MIDI: In, Out
- USB:
 - Two USB ports (one A port / one B port)
 - Complete MIDI functionality over USB
 - User program/multi file transfer to/from PC/Mac/Flash Drive
 - Operating System updates from PC/Mac/Flash Drive

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- Software Editors: External editors for Mac OS X, Windows PC and iOS devices
- FREE OS Updates: OS updates over USB and/or Flash Drive
- Included Accessories: Power cable, Switch pedal, USB cable, (4) self adhesive feet
- Height: 14.6cm
- Depth: 38.1cm
- Length: 133.35cm
- Weight: 2.36 kg
- Power: External Power Supply, 15VDC 2.5A

About the Company Sound Service GmbH

Founded in 1983, the Berlin based Sound Service GmbH has been growing steadily from a one-product-distributor (MFB Fricke; the world's first digital drummachine) to one of the major independent german distribution companies for musical instruments recording studio equipment and PA, Lightning and DJ products. Today Sound Service is one of the leading distribution companies in Europe with exclusive distribution rights for a lot of the A-List MI-brands covering most of the countries in Europe.