



Complete List of GarageBand Shortcuts

[Including The Ones Apple Doesn't Tell You About]

Menus & Settings Shortcuts

Command + Shift + ? (Question Mark) = GarageBand Help

Command + H = Hide GarageBand

Command + Q = Quit GarageBand

Command + , (Comma) = Open Preferences Window

Option + T = Configure the Track Header

Option + Command + H = Hide Other Applications

Command + N = Create a New Project

Command + O = Open an existing project

Command + S = Save the Current Project

Shift + Command + S = Save Current Project As

B = Show/Hide the Smart Controls Window

N = Show/Hide the Score Editor

Command + W = Close the Current Window Project

O = Show/Hide the Loop Browser

Y = Show/Hide the Library

Option + Command + O = Open Movie Window

Option + Command + G = Show/ Hide the Alignment Guide

P = Show/Hide the Piano Roll Editor

Option + Command + P = Show/Hide the Note Pad

Shift + Command + O = Show/Hide the Movie Track

E = Show/Hide the Editor Window

Control + Command + F = Enter/Exit Screen Mode

Main Shortcuts

Command + K = Show-Musical Typing [Keyboard]
Command + X = Cut
Shift + Return = Rename the Selected Track
Command + C = Copy
Command + V = Paste
Delete = Delete
Command + A – Select All
Shift + N = Rename Selected Regions
Command + Z = Undo
Shift + Command + Z = Redo Delete
Q = Quantize Selected Events
Option + Command + Q = Turn Off Quantization
Command + G = Turn Snap to Grid On or Off
Command + J = Join Regions or Notes
Command + Left Arrow = Horizontal Zoom Out
Command + Right Arrow = Horizontal Zoom In

Arrangement Shortcuts

Option + C = Change Color of Your Tracks
Option + Command + N = Create a New Track
Option + Command + A = Create a New Audio Track
Option + Command + S = Create a New Software Instrument Track
Option + Command + U = Create a New Drummer Track
Command + Delete = Delete the Selected Track
Command + D = Duplicate Track
Shift + Command + V = Paste and Replace the Current Section
Command + T = Split the Selected Region
Control + Shift + Command + Delete = Delete All Automation on the Selected Track
Control + Shift + O = Add Selected Region to the Apple Loops Library
Command + Shift + i = Add Audio from Library
Shift + Command + X = Show/Hide Transposition Track
Command + Shift + T = Show/Hide Tempo Track
Shift + Command + A = Show/Hide the Arrangement Track

Playhead Arrow Shortcuts

Home = Scroll Backward One Page

End = Scroll Forward One Page

Space Bar = Start Playback From Selection

Shift + Space Bar = Start Playing From the Beginning

Option + Return = Go to the End of the Region

Shift + Command + . (Period) = Move the Cycle Range Forward by One Cycle Range

Shift + Command + , (Comma) = Move the Cycle Range Backward By One

Left Arrow = Select the Previous Region on the Selected Track or Event in the Editor

Right Arrow = Select the Next Region on the Selected Track or Event in the Editor

, (Comma) = Move the Playhead Arrow Back One Bar

. (Period) = Move the Playhead Forward One Bar

Up Arrow = Select Next Higher Track

Down Arrow = Select the Next Lower Track

] = Next Patch, Effect, or Instrument Setting

[= Previous Patch, Effect, or Instrument Setting

Tab = Change Focus to Next Area in GarageBand Window

Shift + Tab = Change Focus to the Previous Area in the GarageBand Window

Recording and Playback Shortcuts

Space Bar/Enter = Play

Zero (on Numeric Keypad) = Stop Playback

R = Start Recording

C = Turn Cycle Region On/Off

K = Turn Metronome On/Off

Shift + K = Turn Count in On/Off

Control + R = Turn Record Enable for the Selected Track On or Off

Control + i = Turn Monitoring for the Selected Track On/Off

Option + Command + Delete = Delete the Selected Arrangement Marker

Option + T = Configure the Track Header

Shift + Space Bar = Start Playback from Beginning

Volume, Pitch, and Transposition Shortcuts

Master Volume Shortcuts

Command + Shift + Left Arrow = Lower Master Volume
Command + Shift + Right Arrow = Raise Master Volume
Command + Shift + M = Show/Hide the Master Track

Dynamics and Volume Shortcuts

M = Mute/Unmute the Selected Track
Control + Option + Command + S = Turn Solo On/Off for All Solo'd Tracks
A = Show/Hide Automation Lanes
Option + Space = Preview the Selected Audio
Option + Up Arrow = Transpose Selected Notes Up One Semitone
Option + Down Arrow = Transpose Selected Notes Down One Semitone
Option + Shift + Up Arrow = Transpose Selected Notes Up One Octave.
Option + Shift + Down Arrow = Transpose Selected Notes Down One Octave