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Alesis MidiVerb 4

Alesis MidiVerb 4 MIDI Controllable Dual-Channel Multi-Effects Processor

Brand: Alesis | **Model:** MidiVerb 4

Product Overview

The Alesis MidiVerb 4 is a powerful dual-channel multi-effects processor designed for professional studios and musicians. It provides a wide range of high-quality effects including dense reverberation, rich chorus, flange, delay, and pitch effects, suitable for both stage and studio applications.

Key features include:

- 128 Factory presets plus 128 user-adjustable presets, totaling 256 programs.
- Professional 18-bit A-to-D and D-to-A conversion ensuring premium audio quality.
- Auto Level Sensing feature for instant optimal input level setting.
- Assignable footswitch input for extended control over effects.
- 20-bit internal processing for a 20 Hz-20 kHz bandwidth and 90 dB dynamic range.
- Large backlit LCD screen and user-friendly front panel controls for easy programming.
- Complete MIDI control over program changes and parameter adjustments.



Figure 1: Front view of the Alesis MidiVerb 4, showing the LCD display, control knobs, and buttons for program selection, utility, storage, input, output, and editing.

Setup

1. Unpacking and Inspection

Carefully remove the MidiVerb 4 from its packaging. Inspect the unit for any signs of damage that may have occurred during shipping. Retain the packaging materials for future transport or storage.

2. Power Connection

Connect the supplied 9V AC power adapter to the **POWER** input on the rear panel of the MidiVerb 4. Plug the adapter into a suitable AC power outlet. Ensure the power switch on the front panel is in the OFF position before connecting power.

3. Audio Connections

The MidiVerb 4 features dual-channel inputs and outputs. Use standard 1/4-inch (6.35mm) TS cables for audio connections.

- Connect your audio source (e.g., mixer send, instrument output) to the **INPUT L/MONO** and **INPUT R** jacks on the rear panel.
- Connect the **OUTPUT L/MONO** and **OUTPUT R** jacks to your mixer returns, amplifier, or recording interface inputs.

4. MIDI Connections (Optional)

For MIDI control, connect a MIDI cable from your MIDI controller's **MIDI OUT** to the MidiVerb 4's **MIDI IN**. To send MIDI data from the MidiVerb 4, connect its **MIDI OUT** to your MIDI device's **MIDI IN**.

5. Footswitch Connection (Optional)

A standard momentary footswitch can be connected to the **FOOTSWITCH** input on the rear panel for remote control of assignable functions.

6. Initial Power-Up and Auto Level Sensing

Once all connections are made, press the **POWER** button on the front panel to turn on the unit. The MidiVerb 4 features an Auto Level Sensing function that automatically sets optimal input levels. This feature helps prevent clipping and ensures the best possible signal-to-noise ratio. Allow the unit to calibrate upon startup or when input levels change significantly.

Operating Instructions

Front Panel Controls

Control	Function
LCD Display	Shows program numbers, effect names, parameter values, and system messages.
VALUE Knob	Used to scroll through programs, adjust parameter values, and navigate menus.
PROG Button	Enters Program mode for selecting and browsing effects presets.
UTIL Button	Accesses utility functions and global settings.
STORE Button	Used to save edited programs to user memory locations.
INPUT Button	Monitors input signal levels and accesses input-related settings.
OUTPUT Button	Monitors output signal levels and accesses output-related settings.
EDIT Buttons (A, B, C, D)	Used to select and adjust specific parameters within an effect program.
POWER Button	Turns the unit on or off.

Basic Operation

Selecting Programs:

1. Press the **PROG** button. The display will show the current program number and name.
2. Turn the **VALUE** knob to scroll through the available 256 programs (128 factory, 128 user).
3. The selected program will be active immediately.

Editing Programs:

1. Select the program you wish to edit.
2. Press any of the **EDIT** buttons (A, B, C, D) to access parameters for the current program. The display will show

the parameter name and its current value.

3. Turn the **VALUE** knob to adjust the selected parameter.
4. Press other **EDIT** buttons to access different parameter pages or categories within the program.

Storing User Programs:

1. After editing a program, press the **STORE** button.
2. The display will prompt you to select a user memory location (typically 129-256). Use the **VALUE** knob to choose an empty or desired location.
3. Press the **STORE** button again to confirm and save the program.

MIDI Control:

The MidiVerb 4 offers extensive MIDI control. Programs can be changed via MIDI Program Change messages. Most parameters can also be controlled using MIDI Continuous Controller (CC) messages. Refer to the full MIDI implementation chart in the comprehensive user manual for detailed information on MIDI mapping.

Footswitch Functionality:

The assignable footswitch input allows for remote control of various functions, such as program increment/decrement, effect bypass, or tap tempo. The specific function of the footswitch can be configured in the utility settings.

Maintenance

Cleaning:

To clean the MidiVerb 4, use a soft, dry cloth. For stubborn dirt, a slightly damp cloth with a mild, non-abrasive cleaner can be used, but ensure no liquid enters the unit. Avoid using harsh chemicals, solvents, or abrasive materials, as these can damage the finish and internal components.

Storage:

When not in use for extended periods, store the MidiVerb 4 in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, and high humidity. If possible, keep it in its original packaging or a protective case to prevent dust accumulation and physical damage.

General Care:

- Avoid placing heavy objects on top of the unit.
- Do not block ventilation openings.
- Ensure proper air circulation around the unit to prevent overheating.
- Disconnect power during electrical storms or when unused for long durations.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No power	Power adapter not connected; faulty outlet; power switch off.	Ensure power adapter is securely connected and plugged into a working outlet. Check power switch.
No sound or low output	Incorrect audio connections; input/output levels too low; effect bypassed.	Verify all audio cables are correctly connected. Adjust input/output levels using the front panel controls. Check if the effect is bypassed.
Distorted sound	Input signal too hot; output signal clipping.	Reduce the input level from your source or on the MidiVerb 4. Lower the output level of the MidiVerb 4.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
MIDI control not working	Incorrect MIDI connections; MIDI channels mismatch; MIDI settings incorrect.	Check MIDI IN/OUT connections. Ensure MIDI channels on the MidiVerb 4 and your controller match. Verify MIDI settings in the utility menu.
Display is blank or frozen	Power issue; software glitch.	Power cycle the unit (turn off, wait 10 seconds, turn on). If problem persists, contact support.

If you encounter issues not listed here or if the suggested solutions do not resolve the problem, please refer to the comprehensive user manual or contact Alesis customer support.

Specifications

- **Product Dimensions:** 15.24 x 48.26 x 4.45 cm (L x W x H)
- **Item Model Number:** MidiVerb 4
- **Colour:** Black
- **Compatible Devices:** Laptop (and other audio equipment)
- **Signal Format:** Digital
- **Voltage:** 9 Volts
- **Item Weight:** 2.27 kg (2 kg 270 g)
- **Manufacturer:** Alesis
- **A/D and D/A Converters:** 18-bit
- **Internal Processing:** 20-bit
- **Bandwidth:** 20 Hz - 20 kHz
- **Dynamic Range:** 90 dB
- **ASIN:** B0000WS6V8
- **Included Components:** Multi-Effects Processor

Warranty and Support

Warranty Information:

The Alesis MidiVerb 4 comes with a **1 Year Warranty** from the date of purchase. This warranty covers manufacturing defects and ensures the product functions as intended under normal use. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims.
For detailed warranty terms and conditions, please refer to the documentation included with your product or visit the official Alesis website.

Customer Support:

For technical assistance, troubleshooting, or service inquiries, please contact Alesis customer support. You can typically find contact information on the Alesis official website or in the full product manual.
When contacting support, please have your product model number (MidiVerb 4) and ASIN (B0000WS6V8) ready, along with a detailed description of the issue.

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