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Bluesound PULSE FLEX 2i BLK

Bluesound Pulse Flex 2i Portable Wireless Multi-Room Smart Speaker User Manual

Model: PULSE FLEX 2i BLK
Brand: Bluesound

Introduction

The Bluesound Pulse Flex 2i is a versatile and compact portable wireless multi-room smart speaker designed to deliver high-fidelity audio in various environments. It integrates seamlessly into a Bluesound multi-room audio system and offers flexible connectivity options including Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, and wired inputs. This manual provides detailed instructions for setting up, operating, maintaining, and troubleshooting your Pulse Flex 2i speaker.

What's in the Box

Upon unboxing your Bluesound Pulse Flex 2i, please ensure all the following components are present:

- Bluesound Pulse Flex 2i Speaker
- Power Cable
- Quick Setup Guide

Image: Front view of the Bluesound Pulse Flex 2i speaker, showcasing its minimalist design and speaker grille.

Setup

1. Physical Placement and Power

Place the Pulse Flex 2i on a stable, flat surface. Ensure it is within range of your Wi-Fi network if you plan to use wireless connectivity. Connect the provided power cable to the speaker's power input and then to a wall outlet. The speaker will automatically power on.

Image: Rear panel of the Pulse Flex 2i, highlighting the various input and output ports for connectivity.

2. Network Connection (Wi-Fi or Ethernet)

For optimal performance and multi-room functionality, connect your Pulse Flex 2i to your home network.

- **Wi-Fi Connection:** Download the Bluesound Controller app (available for iOS, Android, Windows, and macOS). Open the app and follow the on-screen instructions to add your new Pulse Flex 2i to your Wi-Fi network. This process typically involves selecting your speaker, choosing your Wi-Fi network, and entering the password.
- **Ethernet Connection:** Connect an Ethernet cable from your router or network switch to the LAN port on the back of the Pulse Flex 2i. The speaker will automatically connect to your network.

3. Bluetooth Pairing

To pair a Bluetooth device with your Pulse Flex 2i:

1. Ensure the Pulse Flex 2i is powered on.
2. On the top panel of the speaker, press and hold the Bluetooth button (usually indicated by a Bluetooth symbol) until the LED indicator starts flashing blue. This indicates pairing mode.
3. On your mobile device (smartphone, tablet, etc.), go to Bluetooth settings and select "Bluesound Pulse Flex 2i" from the list of available devices.
4. Once paired, the LED indicator on the speaker will turn solid blue.

Operating Instructions

1. Basic Controls (Top Panel)

The top panel of the Pulse Flex 2i features intuitive controls for basic playback and volume adjustments:

- **Play/Pause Button:** Press to play or pause current audio.
- **Skip Forward/Backward Buttons:** Press to skip to the next or previous track.
- **Volume Up/Down Buttons:** Adjust the playback volume.
- **Preset Buttons (1-5):** Assign and recall your favorite radio stations, playlists, or streaming services for quick access. To assign a preset, play the desired content, then press and hold one of the preset buttons until you hear a confirmation tone.

Image: Top panel of the Pulse Flex 2i, displaying the touch-sensitive controls for playback and presets.

2. Using the Bluesound Controller App

The Bluesound Controller app provides comprehensive control over your Pulse Flex 2i and other Bluesound devices. Through the app, you can:

- Browse and play music from various streaming services (e.g., Spotify, Tidal, Amazon Music).
- Access music stored on your local network (NAS, computer).
- Create and manage multi-room groups with other Bluesound speakers.
- Adjust advanced audio settings, including tone controls and equalizer.
- Manage firmware updates.

Image: The Pulse Flex 2i speaker positioned next to a smartphone running the Bluesound app, illustrating app control.

3. Voice Control (Alexa and Siri)

The Pulse Flex 2i is compatible with Amazon Alexa and Apple Siri, allowing for hands-free control of your music. To enable voice control:

- **For Alexa:** Ensure your Pulse Flex 2i is connected to your network. Open the Amazon Alexa app, navigate to Skills & Games, search for the "Bluesound" skill, and enable it. Link your Bluesound account and discover devices. You can then use commands like "Alexa, play music on Pulse Flex 2i."
- **For Siri (via AirPlay):** If using an Apple device, ensure your Pulse Flex 2i is connected to the same Wi-Fi network. You can use Siri to control music playback via AirPlay 2 by saying commands like "Hey Siri, play [song] on Pulse Flex 2i."

4. Multi-Room Audio

The Bluesound ecosystem allows you to group multiple Bluesound speakers together to play the same music in perfect sync across different rooms, or play different music on each speaker. Use the Bluesound Controller app to drag and drop

speakers into groups or ungroup them as desired.

5. Connecting External Devices

The Pulse Flex 2i offers several physical input options:

- **USB Input:** Connect a USB drive containing music files to the USB-A port for local playback.
- **Optical In:** Connect digital audio sources like TVs or CD players using an optical cable.
- **Analog In:** Connect analog audio sources using a 3.5mm stereo cable.
- **Headphone Out:** Connect headphones for private listening.

Maintenance

1. Cleaning

To maintain the appearance and performance of your Pulse Flex 2i, regularly wipe the exterior with a soft, dry, lint-free cloth. Avoid using abrasive cleaners, waxes, or solvents as they may damage the finish. Do not spray liquids directly onto the speaker.

2. Firmware Updates

Bluesound regularly releases firmware updates to improve performance, add new features, and address any issues. Ensure your Pulse Flex 2i is connected to the internet. The Bluesound Controller app will notify you when an update is available. Follow the in-app instructions to perform the update. Do not disconnect power during a firmware update.

Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your Pulse Flex 2i, refer to the following common troubleshooting steps:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No power/No indicator light	Power cable not connected; power outlet issue.	Ensure power cable is securely connected to both speaker and wall outlet. Try a different outlet.
Cannot connect to Wi-Fi	Incorrect Wi-Fi password; speaker out of range; router issue.	Double-check Wi-Fi password. Move speaker closer to router. Restart router and speaker. Try Ethernet connection temporarily.
No sound	Volume too low; incorrect input selected; audio source issue.	Increase volume. Ensure correct input is selected in the Bluesound app. Verify audio source is playing correctly.
Bluetooth pairing fails	Speaker not in pairing mode; device already paired; interference.	Ensure speaker LED is flashing blue. Forget the device on your phone and re-pair. Move closer to speaker.
Speaker unresponsive	Temporary software glitch.	Unplug the power cable, wait 10 seconds, then plug it back in to restart the speaker.

Specifications

Key technical specifications for the Bluesound Pulse Flex 2i speaker:

Feature	Detail
Model Name	PULSE FLEX 2i BLK
Speaker Type	Multi Room
Connectivity Technology	Bluetooth, Wi-Fi
Speaker Maximum Output Power	25 Watts
Product Dimensions (D x W x H)	3.9" x 4.92" x 7.2" (100mm x 125mm x 183mm)
Item Weight	2.7 Pounds (1.22 kg)
Control Method	Voice, App, On-device buttons
Compatible Devices	Smartphones, Tablets, Computers
Power Source	AC Power (Battery Powered with optional Flex Battery Pack)
Audio Output Mode	Stereo
Special Features	Hi-Res Audio, Multi-Room Audio, Portable

Image: Dimensional diagram of the Pulse Flex 2i, providing precise measurements for placement and planning.

Warranty and Support

Warranty Information

The Bluesound Pulse Flex 2i comes with a limited warranty provided by Lenbrook Group, the manufacturer. Specific warranty terms and duration may vary by region. Please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Bluesound website for detailed warranty information.

Customer Support

For technical assistance, troubleshooting beyond this manual, or warranty claims, please contact Bluesound customer support. You can typically find contact information (phone, email, support portal) on the official Bluesound website (www.bluesound.com).
When contacting support, please have your product model number (PULSE FLEX 2i BLK) and serial number ready. The serial number is usually located on the bottom or back of the speaker.

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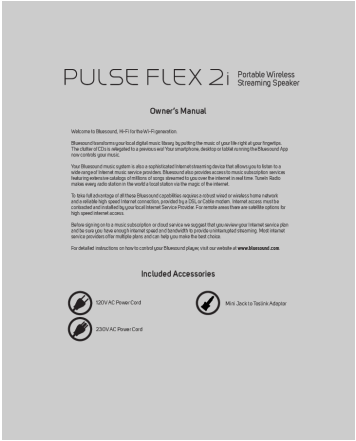
Related Documents - PULSE FLEX 2i BLK

	Bluesound PULSE MINI 2i Quick Setup Guide A quick setup guide for the Bluesound PULSE MINI 2i wireless multi-room streaming speaker, covering unboxing, initial setup, and app integration.
	Bluesound PULSE CINEMA MINI Owner's Manual: Multi-Room Streaming Soundbar This owner's manual provides detailed information on the Bluesound PULSE CINEMA MINI multi-room streaming soundbar, including setup, features, audio settings, and troubleshooting.
	Bluesound PULSE 2i Quick Setup Guide - Get Started with Wireless HiFi A concise guide to setting up your Bluesound PULSE 2i wireless speaker. Learn how to connect, download the BluOS app, and join your network for high-fidelity audio.
	Bluesound PULSE CINEMA MINI Owner's Manual: Setup, Features, and Support Explore the Bluesound PULSE CINEMA MINI multi-room streaming soundbar with this comprehensive owner's manual. Learn about setup, network connectivity, audio settings, placement, and troubleshooting for an enhanced home theater experience.
	Bluesound PULSE M Wireless Streaming Speaker Owner's Manual Owner's manual for the Bluesound PULSE M wireless streaming speaker, detailing features, setup, placement, room acoustics, network connection, and factory reset procedures.
	Bluesound PULSE SOUNDBAR+ Wireless Streaming Sound System Owner's Manual Owner's manual for the Bluesound PULSE SOUNDBAR+ wireless streaming sound system, detailing features, connectivity, setup, placement options, status indicators, port descriptions, and factory reset procedures.


PULSE FLEX 2i Portable Wireless Streaming Speaker

Owner's Manual

Welcome to Bluesound, Hi-Fi for the Wi-Fi generation.

Bluesound transforms your local digital music library by putting the music of your life right at your fingertips. The clutter of CDs is relegated to a previous era Your smartphone, desktop or tablet running the Bluesound App now controls your music.

Your Bluesound music system is also a sophisticated Internet streaming device that allows you to listen to a wide range of Internet music service providers. Bluesound also provides access to music subscription services featuring extensive catalogs of millions of songs streamed to you over the Internet in real time. Tuneln Radio makes every radio station in the world a local station via the magic of the Internet.

To take full advantage of all these Bluesound capabilities requires a robust wired or wireless home network and a reliable high speed Internet connection, provided by a DSL or Cable modem. Internet access must be contracted and installed by your local Internet Service Provider. For remote areas there are satellite options for high speed Internet access.

Before signing on to a music subscription or cloud service we suggest that you review your Internet service plan and be sure you have enough Internet speed and bandwidth to provide uninterrupted streaming. Most internet service providers offer multiple plans and can help you make the best choice.

For detailed instructions on how to control your Bluesound player, visit our website at **www.bluesound.com**

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Mini Jack to Toslink Adaptor

230V AC Power Cord

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