Alesis RECITAL PLAY

Alesis Recital Play 88-Key Digital Piano Instruction Manual

Model: RECITAL PLAY

1. Introduction

The Alesis Recital Play is a portable electronic keyboard designed to provide an authentic and inspiring playing experience, particularly for beginner piano students. It features 88 full-sized, touch-sensitive keys and a comprehensive sound library. This manual provides essential information for setting up, operating, and maintaining your instrument.



Figure 1: Alesis Recital Play 88-Key Digital Piano with included stand, sustain pedal, headphones, and carry bag.

2. What's in the Box

The Recital Play comes with a complete accessory bundle to get you started immediately:

- Alesis Recital Play 88-Key Digital Piano
- Adjustable Keyboard Stand
- Sheet Music / Tablet Rest
- Sustain Pedal (1/4" jack)
- Headphones (1/8" jack)
- Power Adapter
- Gig-bag style Carry Case



Figure 2: All components included in the Alesis Recital Play package.

3. Setup

3.1 Assembling the Stand

1. Unfold the X-style keyboard stand and adjust it to your desired height. Ensure all locking mechanisms are securely fastened.
2. Place the Alesis Recital Play keyboard securely on the stand.

3.2 Powering the Keyboard

The Recital Play can be powered via the included power adapter or 6 AA batteries (not included).

- **Power Adapter:** Connect the power adapter to the "POWER" input on the rear panel of the keyboard and plug it into a standard electrical outlet.
- **Battery Power:** For portable use, insert 6 AA batteries into the battery compartment located on the underside of the keyboard.

3.3 Connecting Accessories

- **Sustain Pedal:** Plug the 1/4" sustain pedal into the "SUSTAIN" input on the rear panel.
- **Headphones:** Connect your headphones to the "PHONES OUTPUT" (1/8" jack) on the rear panel for private practice. This will mute the internal speakers.
- **Aux/Mic Input:** Use the "AUX MIC IN" (1/8" jack) to connect an external audio source like a microphone, mobile phone, or tablet.
- **USB-MIDI Connection:** Connect the keyboard to a Mac or PC using a standard USB cable via the "USB" port for MIDI functionality with recording and educational software.



Figure 3: Detailed view of the rear panel connections for power, sustain pedal, headphones, Aux/Mic In, and USB-MIDI.

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Video 1: Official Alesis video demonstrating the features and connections of the Recital Play keyboard. This video highlights the various input/output options including USB-MIDI, sustain pedal, headphone output, and Aux/Mic input, showcasing the versatility of the instrument.

4. Operating Instructions

4.1 Basic Operation

- **Power On/Off:** Press the **POWER** button to turn the keyboard on or off.
- **Volume Control:** Adjust the **MASTER VOLUME** knob to control the overall output level.
- **Voice Selection:** The Recital Play features 480 built-in sounds. Use the **VOICE SELECT** buttons (Piano, Electric Piano, Organ, Synth, Bass, etc.) to choose different instrument sounds.
- **Reverb FX:** Easily add and adjust reverb effects using the **REVERB** button to enhance the realism of your sound.



Figure 4: Close-up of the Alesis Recital Play control panel, highlighting the master volume, voice select, and effect buttons.

4.2 Advanced Features

- **Layer Mode:** Combine two different sounds to play simultaneously.
- **Split Mode:** Divide the keyboard into two sections, each with a different sound, allowing for duet play or practicing with a teacher.
- **Lesson Mode:** This innovative mode allows the keyboard to be split into two identical octave ranges, enabling a student and teacher to play together on the same instrument.
- **Record Mode:** Record your performances directly on the keyboard. This feature includes a built-in metronome for timing.
- **Rhythms and Demo Songs:** Explore 160 rhythms and 140 built-in demo songs to accompany your playing or for learning.
- **Transpose Feature:** Easily change the key of the keyboard to match your vocal range or other instruments.



Figure 5: A user demonstrating playing the Alesis Recital Play keyboard, showcasing the full 88-key layout.

5. Maintenance

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the surface of the keyboard. Avoid using abrasive cleaners or solvents.
- **Storage:** When not in use, store the keyboard in its gig-bag style carry case to protect it from dust and damage.
- **Battery Care:** If using batteries, remove them if the keyboard will not be used for an extended period to prevent leakage.
- **Environmental Conditions:** Avoid exposing the keyboard to extreme temperatures, humidity, or direct sunlight.

6. Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No sound from speakers.	Headphones plugged in; Volume too low; Power issue.	Unplug headphones. Increase master volume. Check power adapter connection or battery level.
Keys not responding or inconsistent volume.	Touch response setting; Dust/debris under keys.	Adjust touch response settings. Clean keys and surrounding area.
Keyboard powers off unexpectedly.	Low battery; Power adapter issue.	Replace batteries or ensure stable power adapter connection.

7. Specifications

Feature	Detail
Model Name	RECITAL PLAY
Number of Keys	88 Full-Size, Touch-Sensitive Keys
Built-in Sounds	480 (Acoustic/Electric Pianos, Organs, Strings, Brass, etc.)
Rhythms	160 One-Touch Song Mode Rhythms
Demo Songs	140 Built-in Demo Songs
Connectivity	USB-MIDI, 1/4" Sustain Pedal Input, 1/8" Aux/Mic Input, 1/8" Headphone Output
Power Source	Power Adapter (included) or 6 AA Batteries (not included)
Product Dimensions	49.92" W x 10.08" D x 2.88" H
Item Weight	12.13 Pounds

Feature	Detail
Manufacturer	inMusic Brands Inc.
UPC	694318026380

8. Warranty and Support

For warranty information and technical support, please visit the official Alesis website or contact their customer service department. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

Online Resources:

- Alesis Official Store on Amazon
- Refer to the product packaging or the Alesis website for the most up-to-date support contact information.

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