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## Alesis MELODY61 MK4

# Alesis Melody 61 MK4 Keyboard Piano User Manual

Model: MELODY61 MK4

## Introduction

The Alesis Melody 61 MK4 is a portable keyboard designed for beginner piano students. It features 61 compact keys, built-in speakers, and a wide array of sounds and features to enhance the learning experience. This manual provides essential information for setting up, operating, maintaining, and troubleshooting your new keyboard.

## Setup

### Unpacking and Assembly

Carefully remove all components from the packaging. Ensure all listed accessories are present before proceeding with assembly.

- **Keyboard Stand:** Assemble the adjustable keyboard stand according to the included instructions. Ensure it is stable before placing the keyboard.
- **Keyboard Bench:** Assemble the keyboard bench for comfortable playing. Adjust its height as needed.
- **Sheet Music / Tablet Rest:** Attach the sheet music/tablet rest to the designated slot on the keyboard.




Image: The Alesis Melody 61 MK4 keyboard piano shown with its included accessories: keyboard stand, bench, sheet music/tablet rest, headphones, and power adapter.




Image: A visual breakdown of the accessories included with the Alesis Melody 61 MK4: 1. Sheet Music / Tablet Rest, 2. Headphones, 3. Adjustable Keyboard Stand, 4. Keyboard Bench, 5. Power Adapter.

### Powering the Keyboard

The Melody 61 MK4 can be powered using the included AC adapter or 6 AA batteries (not included) for portable use.

- **AC Adapter:** Connect the power adapter to the DC 12V input on the rear of the keyboard and plug it into a standard electrical outlet.
- **Batteries:** Open the battery compartment on the underside of the keyboard and insert 6 AA batteries, ensuring correct polarity.




Image: The Alesis Melody 61 MK4 keyboard highlighting its power options: either via the included power adapter or 6 AA batteries (not included), emphasizing its portability.




Image: A close-up view of the battery compartment located on the underside of the Alesis Melody 61 MK4 keyboard, showing where 6 AA batteries can be inserted.

## Operating Instructions

### Basic Controls

Familiarize yourself with the main control panel of the keyboard.

- **Power Button:** Located on the top left, press to turn the keyboard on or off.
- **Volume Control:** Adjust the overall output volume using the dedicated knob.
- **Display Screen:** Shows current settings such as sound number, tempo, and mode.




Image: A detailed view of the Alesis Melody 61 MK4's control panel, highlighting the various buttons and the digital display for selecting sounds, rhythms, and other functions.

### Sound Selection

The Melody 61 MK4 features 300 built-in sounds. Use the number pad or dedicated buttons to select different instrument voices.

- **Layer Mode:** Combine two sounds to play simultaneously.
- **Split Mode:** Divide the keyboard into two sections, each with a different sound.
- **Sustain/Vibrato FX:** Apply effects to enrich the sound.




Image: The Alesis Melody 61 MK4 keyboard showcasing its extensive sound library, including 300 sounds, 300 rhythms, 30 demo songs, sustain & vibrato effects, and layer & split modes.

### Rhythm and Demo Songs

Explore the 300 accompaniment rhythms and 30 demo songs to enhance your playing and learning.

- **Accompaniment Rhythm Mode:** Select from various genres to generate play-along songs.
- **Demo Songs:** Play pre-recorded songs to listen or learn from.

### Practice Features

- **Built-in Metronome:** Use the metronome for timing practice.
- **Record Mode:** Record your own performances for review.
- **Lesson Mode:** Utilize the integrated lesson functions for guided learning.




Image: The Alesis Melody 61 MK4 keyboard highlighting its practice features: built-in metronome, built-in recorder, transpose mode, and lesson mode.

## Connectivity

The keyboard offers various connection options for expanded functionality.

- **USB-MIDI:** Connect to a computer for use with educational and recording software.
- **1/4" Sustain Pedal Input:** For connecting a standard sustain pedal (not included).
- **1/8" Aux Input:** Connect a mobile phone or tablet to play along with your favorite music.
- **1/8" Headphone Output:** Mutes the internal speakers for private practice.

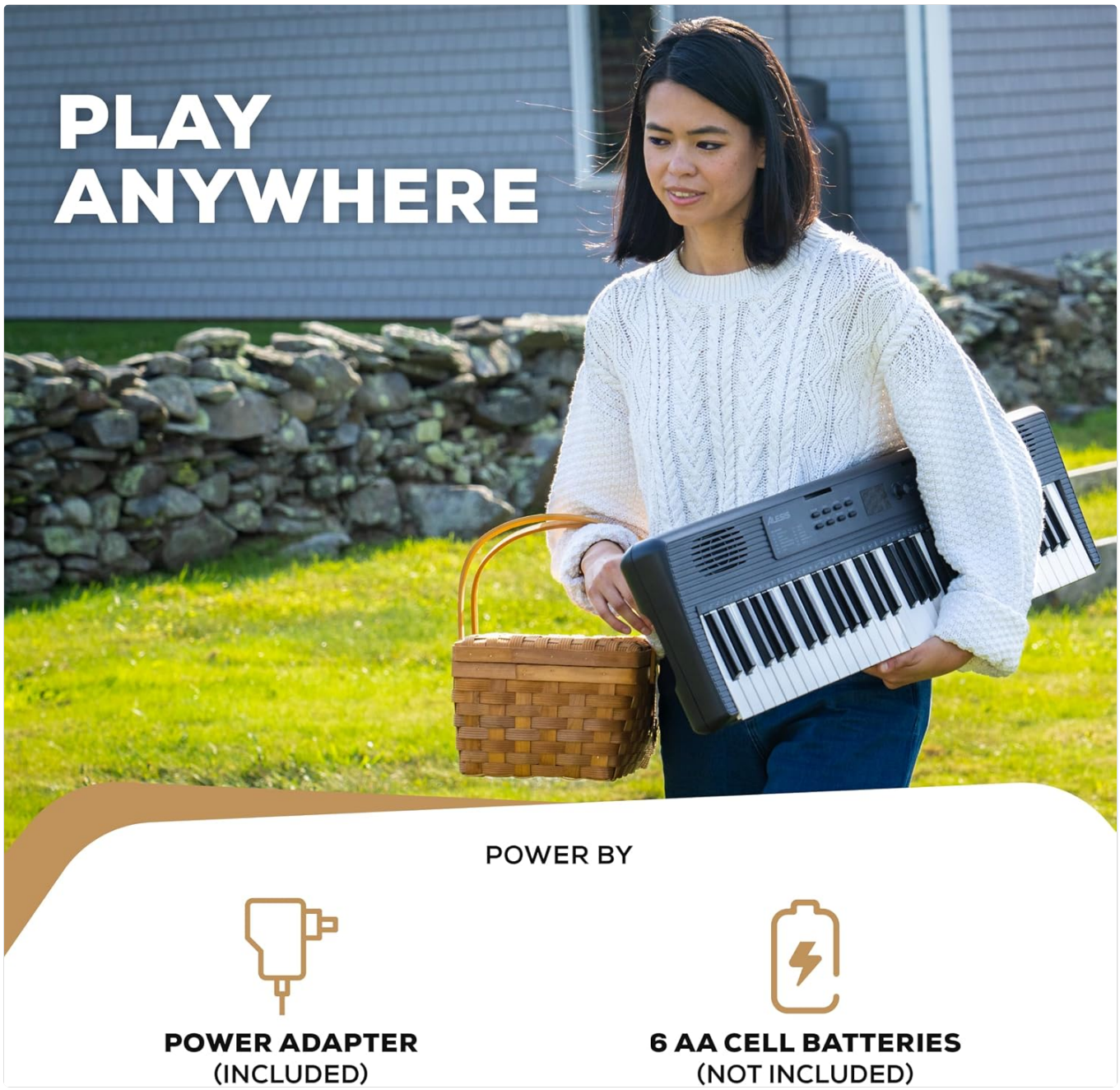


Image: A close-up of the rear panel of the Alesis Melody 61 MK4 keyboard, detailing its connection ports: USB-MIDI, 1/4" Sustain Input, 1/8" Aux Input, and 1/8" Headphone Output.

## Maintenance

### Cleaning

To keep your keyboard in optimal condition, regularly wipe it with a soft, dry cloth. Avoid using abrasive cleaners or solvents.

### Storage

When not in use, store the keyboard in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. If storing for an extended period, remove the batteries to prevent leakage.

## Troubleshooting

| Problem | Possible Cause | Solution |
|---|---|---|
| No sound from speakers/headphones. | Volume too low; headphones plugged in; power issue. | Increase volume; unplug headphones; check power adapter/batteries. |
| Keyboard does not power on. | Power adapter not connected; dead batteries. | Ensure adapter is securely connected; replace batteries. |
| Keys are not responding. | Keyboard in an incorrect mode; internal issue. | Check selected mode; power cycle the keyboard. If problem persists, contact support. |

## Specifications

**Model Name:** MELODY61 MK4

**Number of Keys:** 61

**Built-in Sounds:** 300

**Accompaniment Rhythms:** 300

**Demo Songs:** 30

**Connectivity:** USB-MIDI, 1/4" Sustain Pedal Input, 1/8" Aux Input, 1/8" Headphone Output

**Power Source:** AC adapter (included) or 6 AA batteries (not included)

**Dimensions (D x W x H):** 9.12" x 36" x 2.88"

**Item Weight:** 6.61 lbs (3 kg)




Image: The Alesis Melody 61 MK4 keyboard displaying its compact dimensions (36 inches width, 9.12 inches depth, 2.88 inches height) and lightweight design (6.61 lbs), emphasizing its space-saving portability.

## Warranty and Support

For warranty information and technical support, please refer to the official Alesis website or contact their customer service. Keep

your proof of purchase for warranty claims.
Online resources for learning:

- **Skoove:** Features in-depth courses and curated music. Learn more at Skoove.com
- **Melodics:** Offers interactive lessons for learning and playing. Learn more at Melodics.com




Image: An image illustrating the integration of Skoove online piano lessons with the Alesis keyboard, showing a laptop displaying the Skoove interface and a person wearing headphones, ready to learn.




Image: An image illustrating the integration of Melodics online piano lessons with the Alesis keyboard, showing a person playing the keyboard with a laptop displaying the Melodics interface in the background.

## Product Videos

### Alesis Melody 61 MK4 Overview

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Video: This video provides a comprehensive overview of the Alesis Melody 61 MK4 keyboard, demonstrating its features, accessories, and sound capabilities. It highlights the adjustable stool, stand, music stand, 300 different sounds, and its suitability for beginners. The video also mentions the included microphone and headphones, and the option to use batteries for portability.

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