

## MUSTAR B0FNMPNHW4

# MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard (25-Key) Instruction Manual

Model: B0FNMPNHW4

Brand: MUSTAR

## 1. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

The MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard is a compact and versatile 25-key MIDI controller designed for modern music producers, beginners, and professionals alike. It offers professional features in a portable form factor, making it ideal for any workspace or mobile setup. This manual provides essential information for setting up, operating, and maintaining your MIDI keyboard, ensuring you can unlock its full musical potential.

Key features include a customizable knob and joystick, Smart Chord and Scale modes for effortless creation, 5-pin MIDI Out for seamless connectivity, and dynamic arpeggiation patterns to fuel creativity. Its exclusive PC Keyboard Mode also allows for versatile control of your Digital Audio Workstation (DAW) or other applications.

## 2. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Upon unboxing your MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard, please ensure all the following items are present:

- MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard (25-Key)
- USB-C to USB-A Cable
- User Manual (this document)

If any items are missing or damaged, please contact customer support.

## 3. PRODUCT FEATURES

- **Professional Control in a Portable Size:** Designed for the modern producer, this MIDI keyboard controller packs professional features like a customizable knob and joystick into a slim, portable body (364x106x41mm), perfect for any workspace.
- **Smart Features for Effortless Creation:** Unlock your musical potential instantly. This MIDI controller

keyboard includes Smart Chord and Scale modes, helping both beginners and pros create flawless melodies and chords right away.

- **Powerful Studio Hub, Ready to Travel:** Be the center of your mobile setup. As a bus-powered USB MIDI controller, it needs no external power. Plus, with 5-pin MIDI Out, it seamlessly connects to all your other gear.
- **Spark Ideas with Dynamic Arpeggiation:** Fuel your creativity. Explore 13 preset arpeggiator patterns with full parameter control, making this MIDI keyboard an endless source of inspiration for your computer recording projects.
- **Uniquely Versatile for Music & Beyond:** Go beyond music creation. The exclusive PC Keyboard Mode on this controller MIDI allows you to command your DAW or applications, making it a versatile tool for all creators.

## 4. PANEL FUNCTION OVERVIEW

Familiarize yourself with the layout and functions of your MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard:



Image: Detailed view of the MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard's control panel, highlighting key functional areas.

1. **USB-C Connection Port:** For connecting to your computer or other compatible devices.

2. **Digital Display Area:** Shows current settings, values, and modes.
3. **Function Keys:** Dedicated buttons for various controls such as Octave, Transpose, Sustain, and Program changes.
4. **25 Velocity-sensitive Keys:** The main keyboard interface for playing notes with dynamic response.
5. **3.5mm Sustain Pedal / MIDI OUT Port:** Connect an external sustain pedal or use for MIDI output to other hardware.

## 5. SETUP

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Setting up your MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard is a straightforward process. It is designed for plug-and-play functionality with most operating systems and Digital Audio Workstations (DAWs).

### 5.1 Connecting to Your Computer

1. Locate the USB-C port on the back of your MIDI keyboard.
2. Connect one end of the provided USB-C to USB-A cable to the keyboard's USB-C port.
3. Connect the other end (USB-A) to an available USB port on your computer.
4. The keyboard is bus-powered, meaning it draws power directly from the USB connection and does not require an external power adapter.
5. Your computer should automatically detect and install the necessary drivers. No manual driver installation is typically required.

### 5.2 DAW Configuration

After connecting the keyboard, you will need to configure it within your preferred DAW (e.g., Cubase, FL Studio, Logic Pro, Ableton Live).

1. Open your Digital Audio Workstation (DAW) software.
2. Navigate to the preferences or settings menu (often found under 'Edit', 'Options', or the DAW's name in the menu bar).
3. Look for a section related to MIDI devices, controllers, or external devices.
4. Your MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard should appear in the list of available MIDI inputs. Ensure it is enabled or activated.
5. You may need to select it as a control surface or input device for your tracks. Consult your DAW's specific documentation for detailed instructions on MIDI controller setup.

For a visual guide on setting up a MIDI controller with Cubase, refer to the video below:

Video: This official seller video demonstrates the features and provides tutorials for a Donner DMK-25 Pro, including setup with a DAW like Cubase. While the model differs, the general MIDI setup principles are applicable.

## 6. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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The MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard offers a range of controls to enhance your music production workflow.

### 6.1 Basic Playback

Simply connect your keyboard to your DAW, select a virtual instrument, and begin playing the 25 velocity-sensitive keys. The keys respond to how hard you press them, allowing for expressive performances.

# See Your Adjustments Shape Your Sound



Image: A user's hands are shown playing the MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard, with the digital display visible, indicating real-time adjustments to sound parameters.

## 6.2 Octave and Transpose

Use the dedicated Octave Up/Down buttons to shift the keyboard's range up or down. The Transpose buttons allow you to shift the pitch of the notes played by semitones.

## 6.3 Smart Chord and Scale Modes

Engage Smart Chord or Scale modes using the function keys to simplify playing complex harmonies and melodies. These modes can guide you to stay within a chosen key or automatically generate chords with a single key press.

# Your All-in-One Creative Companion

Featuring Integrated Scales, Arpeggiator, Chord Modes, and Keyboard Control.



Image: A user is shown playing the MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard, emphasizing its role as an all-in-one creative companion with integrated scales, arpeggiator, chord modes, and keyboard control.

## 6.4 Arpeggiator

Activate the arpeggiator to automatically play arpeggiated patterns based on the notes you hold. Adjust parameters like tempo, gate, and swing using the assignable knobs for dynamic results.

## 6.5 Customizable Knob and Joystick

The assignable knob and joystick can be mapped to various parameters within your DAW, such as filter cutoff, resonance, pan, or modulation depth, providing expressive real-time control over your sounds.

For a demonstration of the 25-key MIDI controller's features, including its use in music production, watch the video below:

Video: This official seller video showcases the 25 Key MIDI Controller, demonstrating its various functions and how it can be used for music creation.

## 7. CONNECTIVITY

The MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard offers flexible connectivity options:

- **USB-C:** Primary connection for power and MIDI data to your computer or compatible mobile devices.
- **5-pin MIDI Out:** Allows you to connect the keyboard to external hardware synthesizers, drum machines, or other MIDI-compatible equipment.
- **Sustain Pedal Input:** A 3.5mm jack for connecting an external sustain pedal, providing more expressive control over your performances.

## 8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Item Weight	1.39 pounds
Product Dimensions	4.17 x 14.33 x 1.61 inches (10.6 x 36.4 x 4.1 cm)
Number of Keyboard Keys	25
Material Type	Plastic
Connectivity Technology	USB
Hardware Interface	USB
Compatible Devices	PC (and other devices via USB/MIDI)
Special Feature	Digital Display, Lightweight

## 9. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard, try the following steps:

- **No Power/Not Recognized:** Ensure the USB cable is securely connected to both the keyboard and your computer. Try a different USB port or cable. Verify your computer's operating system recognizes the device.
- **No Sound:** Check that the keyboard is enabled as a MIDI input device in your DAW's preferences. Ensure a virtual instrument is loaded and selected on the track you are playing. Verify the volume levels on both the keyboard (if applicable) and your DAW.
- **Incorrect Notes/Pitch:** Check the Octave and Transpose settings on the keyboard. Reset them to their default positions if unsure.
- **Controls Not Working:** Ensure the assignable knob and joystick are correctly mapped to parameters within your DAW. Refer to your DAW's manual for MIDI mapping instructions.
- **Latency Issues:** Adjust your DAW's audio buffer size in its audio settings. A lower buffer size can reduce latency but may require more processing power from your computer.

## 10. MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your MUSTAR Mini MIDI Keyboard, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry cloth to wipe down the surface of the keyboard. For stubborn dirt, a slightly damp cloth can be used, but ensure no moisture enters the device. Avoid abrasive cleaners or solvents.
- **Storage:** Store the keyboard in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, and

high humidity. If transporting, use appropriate padding or a case to prevent damage.

- **Handling:** Avoid dropping the keyboard or subjecting it to strong impacts. Do not place heavy objects on top of it.
- **Connectivity:** Always handle USB and MIDI cables carefully. Avoid pulling on the cables themselves when disconnecting; always grasp the connector.

## 11. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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For warranty information, technical support, or service inquiries, please refer to the warranty card included in your product packaging or visit the official MUSTAR website. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

Typical warranty coverage includes defects in materials and workmanship under normal use. Damage resulting from misuse, accidents, unauthorized modifications, or improper maintenance may not be covered.