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Posted by [Amuse](#) on Wed, 01 Feb 2006 09:09:07 GMT
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Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Wed, 01 Feb 2006 13:25:40 GMT
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Subject: Re: Native Instrument Guitar Rig + Rig Kontrol II

Posted by [Amuse](#) on Sat, 11 Feb 2006 21:04:26 GMT

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I'll post my experience once I get a hold of it, could be a while though. My understanding is that the "3 phrases" are precisely aimed at the purpose of switching song sections...

"Jamie K" <Meta@Dimensional.com> wrote in message news:43ecc859@linux...

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> Looks cool. No downloadable manual yet. I wonder if the three phrase
> channels would let you live-switch between song sections?

>

> Let us know how you like it.

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> Amuse wrote:

> > I think I'm going with the new Boss RC-50 Loop Station:

> > <http://www.bosscorp.co.jp/products/en/RC-50/index.html>

> >

> > (Gotta wait till it's released here in Oz)

> >

> > "Jamie K" <Meta@Dimensional.com> wrote in message news:43e2fa30@linux...

> >> I haven't used the Digitech JamMan.

> >>

> >> Just looking at the specs: With an additional 2GB CF card it has the

> >> same max memory of 6ish hours. With the optional pedal you can switch
to

> >> entirely different loops, but I don't know if you can do that on the
fly

> >> without stopping the music. If you can, that would be a big plus.

> >>

> >> OTOH the GNX4 can loop stereo tracks, the JamMan is mono.

> >>

> >> GNX 4 is about \$550, JamMan about \$300. You get a lot for the extra
\$150

> >> - amp modeling, FX modeling, stereo XLR output, 8 track recorder,
> >> expression pedal.

> >>

> >> But if you already have that stuff covered, if mono is OK, and

> >> especially if the JamMan switches loops on the fly, it could be a
useful

> >> box.

> >>

> >> The JamMan comes with a 128MB CF card, I guess that'd be OK for the

> >> first week or so. :^) The GNX didn't come with a throw-away dinko card
> >> like that, so I went right to 2GB.
> >>
> >> Cheers,
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> >>
> >> Amuse wrote:
> >>> Thanks Jamie, much appreciated. On a side note, how do the looping
> > functions
> >>> of the GNX4 compare to the JamMan pedal?
> >>>
> >>> "Jamie K" <Meta@Dimensional.com> wrote in message
news:43e1611c@linux...
> >>>> I considered GR1 and decided against it. GR1 had really limited
control
> >>>> hardware. Then I considered GR11 when it came out. GR11 looks more
> > usable.
> >>>> Looping is one of the things on my list. The GNX4 has looping
features
> >>>> plus an 8 track recorder. I don't know if GR11's "Loop Machine"
feature
> >>>> is better or not. The description is pretty sparse on their web site.
> >>>>
> >>>> The GNX4's looping is simple. Hit the record button and off you go.
> >>>> Countdown is optional. Hit record again and it loops, or hit play and
> > it
> >>>> loops but you can record your next part on new tracks (up to 8
tracks,
> >>>> although any track can be looped over with multiple overdubs so you
can
> >>>> have many more than 8 parts looping).
> >>>>
> >>>> It has undo and, if you like, a drum machine (plays back any MIDI
file
> >>>> using internal drum samples). It can quantize the loop point to the
> >>>> nearest 8th note. What the GNX4 does not do is allow building up
> >>>> different sections (like verse and chorus) and switching between them
> > on
> >>>> the fly. You loop one section and that's it.
> >>>>
> >>>> I have the extra pedal for controlling looping, which keeps the main
> >>>> footswitches free for switching amps and such. Except that it still
> >>>> requires a bit of dancing on the main footswitches to get to a new
song
> >>>> for clear looping, or on the remote switches to delete the last loop
> >>>> tracks in order to start over.

> >>>>
> >>>> Having never played GR, I have not compared the amp modeling between
> >>>> GR11 and the GNX4.
> >>>>
> >>>> Overall I have been happy with the GNX4. I like that it include both
> >>>> stereo XLR and 1/4 stereo outputs and that it can mix guitar, mic and
> > two
> >>>> line inputs. I like that it uses robust CF media for recording,
looping
> >>>> and playback, so I don't have to depend on a hard drive at gigs. The
> >>>> GNX4 includes very playable amp models and the FX are decent. Setup
at
> > a
> >>>> show is quick and uncomplicated (well, it was until I added a guitar
> >>>> synth to the rig).
> >>>>
> >>>> I have a wish list for the GNX5, which I've discussed with
Digitech...
> >>>>
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> >>>> Amuse wrote:
> >>>>> Was it Guitar Rig or Guitar Rig II that you considered? The new
> > version
> >>> has
> >>>>> an integrated audio interface, in a much improved Rig Kontrol. But
one
> >>> of
> >>>>> the main things that attracted me was the new "Loop Station". I
> > already
> >>> have
> >>>>> a POD but I'm not that into it's sounds when it comes to recording.
> >>>>>
> >>>>> I agree, that for live use it's a bit of a drag to rely on a laptop
> >>> 100%.
> >>>>> How do the GNX4 amp models sound compared to Guitar Rig II?
> >>>>>
> >>>>>
> >>>>> "Jamie K" <Meta@Dimensional.com> wrote in message
> > news:43e0b761@linux...
> >>>>>> Amuse wrote:
> >>>>>>> > Anyone using this?
> >>>>>>> >
> >>>>>>>
> >>>>>>> I considered it. I use other NI software and like it.

> >>>>>
> >>>>> But it's priced at more than a Digitech GNX4 or Line 6 PODXT Live,
> > both
> >>>>> of which include decent amp modeling, FX modeling, foot control,
and
> >>>>> integrated audio interface to computers for less than the cost of
the
> >>> NI
> >>>>> solution.
> >>>>>
> >>>>> And with the Digitech or Line 6 you don't have to drag your laptop
to
> > a
> >>>>> gig.
> >>>>>
> >>>>> Plus, the GNX4 adds a 6 hour (if you get a 2GB CF card) looping,
mp3
> >>>>> playing and 8 track recording capability with an integrated mic
pre,
> >>> and
> >>>>> the PodXT Live offers digital connection to a Variax.
> >>>>>
> >>>>> However for studio use, recording and reamping the NI product looks
> >>> like
> >>>>> it would be very useful. Except that I already have Guitar Amp Pro
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