
Subject: Re: What to buy?: Sonar, Cubase, Live, hmmm
Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Fri, 08 Feb 2008 01:02:24 GMT
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SONAR is my 'go to' for midi and sequence building. Yes, it does loop stretching, like acid. And the artifacts are quite livable. The mixbus has improved greatly. Precision and automation are great. Dxi/VSTi capable. DX/VST capable.

My only complaint really is that it doesn't do low latency all that well... yet.. but for what I'm using it for it smokes. I can see the day when I leave Paris that Sonar will be my choice.

AA

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Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Fri, 08 Feb 2008 01:13:42 GMT
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Mike - Sonar and Cubase will preview and import acidized wav files, and tempo match.

Cubase has Media Bay which allows you to browse media files, and if desired

preview at project tempo, or the file's original tempo. In Sonar 7 when importing audio, the file will preview at project tempo.

Dedric

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Posted by [emarenot](#) on Fri, 08 Feb 2008 01:50:38 GMT

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Posted by [TCB](#) on Fri, 08 Feb 2008 18:39:50 GMT

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They're all fine apps. I haven't used Sonar since probably version 5 or so, but they're really committed to Windows and at least won't abscond to another platform and leave you screwed. Not that I'm mentioning [logic] any company [emagic] in [screwed their Windows users] particular. It will do all of the stuff you're asking about, but will be some overkill as well.

I'm a loud and long standing proponent of Live, it's more than just a looping app, though it's probably the best looping app that ever has been. I haven't had any problems but I have a pretty vanilla platform I run things on and it's unusually stable. Running a quad core right now is slightly gutsy, I'd certainly talk to Ableton before dismissing the app outright.

SX 4, as I said here earlier, is a pretty massive update over SX 3. The Media bay is cool and would work for what you want. I'm also a long time SX user.

Any of these might also replace Reaper as your 'go to' tracker over time as well. Or they might not. All pretty good stuff though.

TCB

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