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get started and install AlphaLive?

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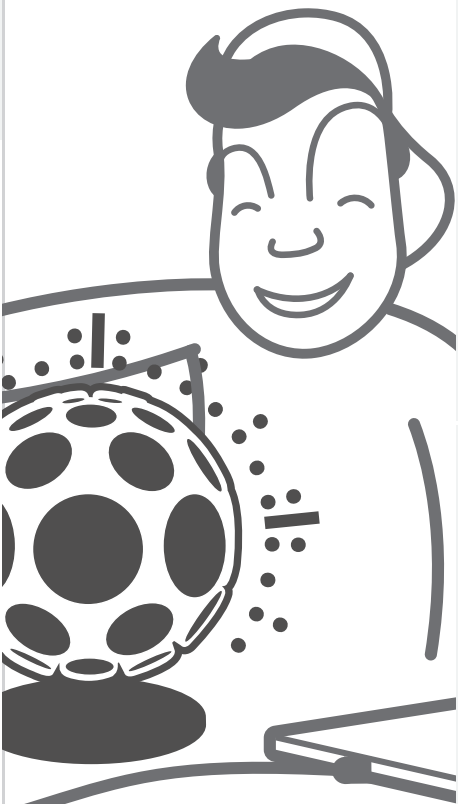
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get the best performance from your 'Sphere.

get the longest life from the pads.

It is important not to abuse the pads or they will need to be replaced. They are not designed to be played with objects eg: drum sticks. Also, it is advised to not have long, sharp finger nails.

where to position your 'Sphere.

We recommend positioning the 'Sphere with the USB port facing away from you. This will align the pads to the representation on the software, so it should be easier to navigate.

support form.

www.alphasphere.com/support-form

reference manual.

www.alphasphere.com/manual

get the best response from pads.

The sweet spot, i.e. the most sensitive part of the pads is in the centre. Explore the response of the pads, across the surface to nurture and refine your playing style.

changing pressure and velocity curves.

It is possible to change the velocity and pressure curves within AlphaLive. The controls are located in the global pad settings. They can be set to linear, static, logarithmic & exponential.

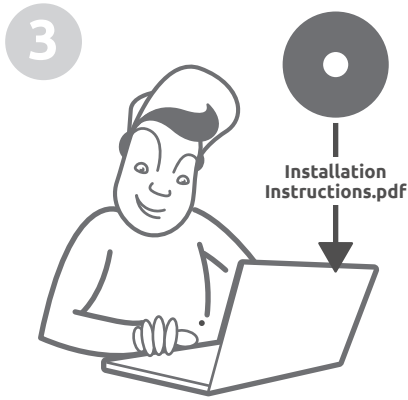
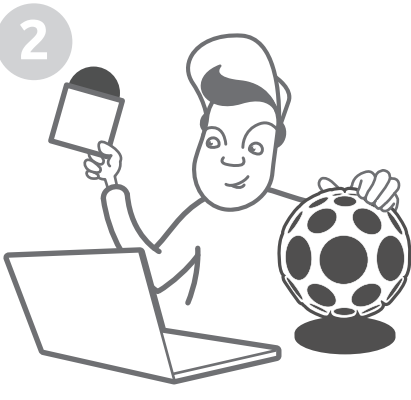
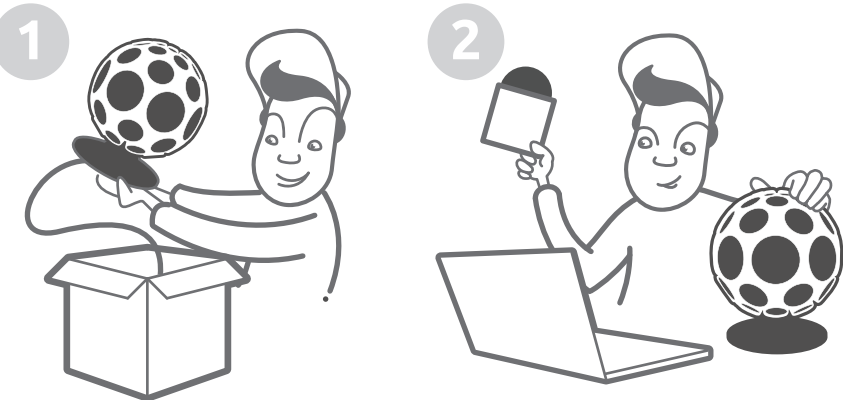
keep your 'Sphere firmware updated.

The firmware provides the data for AlphaLive. Any updates could increase performance and sensitivity or add features to the 'Sphere, which will enhance your use of the device.

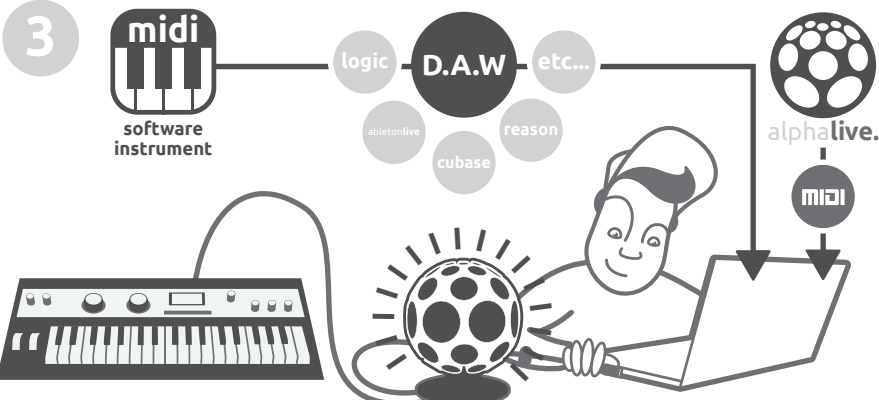
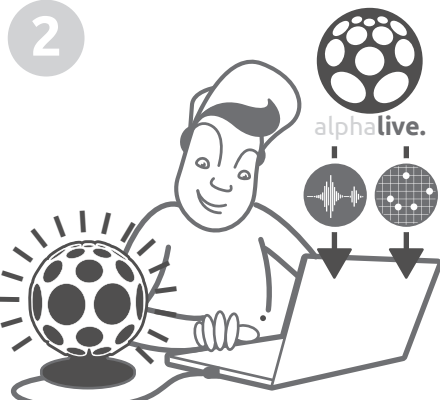
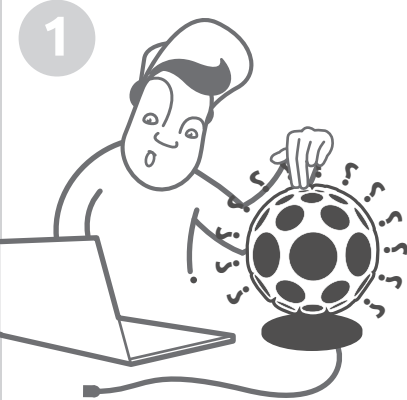
faq.

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more support and useful links..



learn to use AlphaLive.



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insert installation disc into your computer.

Insert the disc provided with your AlphaSphere into your computer. **Do not** connect your 'Sphere yet. No disc provided? Email us at: support@alphasphere.com

open 'installation instructions' pdf.

On the inserted disc open 'Installation Instructions.pdf' file, then follow the provided instructions for your operating system. Finally, connect your 'Sphere, launch AlphaLive and get creative.

get familiar with the 'demo project'.

The demo project contains a variety of pre-made preset layouts and settings. Study the project in conjunction with the Reference Manual and learn how to program your 'Sphere.

is USB plugged in and AlphaLive open?

The AlphaSphere is not a stand-alone instrument. It should be plugged into a computer via USB and have the software, AlphaLive, open to produce sound. It will light up blue if properly connected.

what mode are the pads in?

There are 2 pad modes that produce sound directly within AlphaLive; Sampler and Sequencer. Both modes require audio samples or banks to be loaded onto the pads to produce sound.

connect via internal or external midi.

MIDI mode requires a Digital Audio Workstation (DAW) that can host software instruments to produce sound. The AlphaSphere elite series can also be connected to external hardware via MIDI cable.

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<div>what to do if a pad breaks?</div>	<div>twist broken pad anti-clockwise.</div> <div>Unscrew the pad ring until it separates from the 'Sphere. It is not necessary to remove the foam beneath the rubber. If it has, then please follow steps 2 and 3 of the replace foam section of this guide.</div>	<div>seperate the inner and outer rings.</div> <div>To seperate the two rings apply pressure to the inner ring and push down towards the base of the outer ring. Once the rings are seperated, ensure that the replacement rubber fits this pad size.</div>	<div>sandwich new rubber between rings.</div> <div>Place the new rubber on the top and centre of the inner ring then sandwich the two rings back together. The best way is to put the inner ring on a flat surface and pushing the outer ring down over the top .</div>	<div>twist fixed pad back on clockwise.</div> <div>Screw the pad ring back on until it is tight. If the foam has been removed, then please follow steps 2 and 3 of the replace foam section of this guide. Test that the pad is still working to finish.</div>	<div>get new rubber and pads.</div> <div>The rubber pads are all designed to be replaceable, like guitar strings. Just contact your local AlphaSphere distributors: alphasphere.com/distributors</div>		
<div><div>alphalive.</div><div>a firmware update is available...</div><div><div>HOLD BUTTON</div></div></div>	<div>how do I update the firmware?</div> <div>hold reset button then plug in Sphere.</div> <div>Holding the reset button, plug the 'Sphere into the computer running AlphaLive and it should start flashing red. Then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the update.</div>	<div></div>	<div>how should I clean my Sphere?</div> <div>a moist warm cloth should be enough.</div> <div>Clean the plastics with a dry cloth. If still marked use moist cloth eg. on stains. Clean the rubber with a moist warm cloth. Avoid corrosive products that can deteriorate the rubber.</div>	<div><div>1</div></div>	<div><div>2</div></div>	<div><div>3</div></div>	<div>what to do if foam has been removed?</div> <div>if the foam <u>is</u> from the 8 small pads.</div> <div>The smallest foam can be put back into the pad upside down. To get it the right way up, place the foam against a larger pads. If the internal magnet holds the foam then it is the right way round.</div> <div>if the foam <u>is not</u> from the 8 small pads.</div> <div>Putting the foam back into the larger pads is extremely straightforward. The foam is shaped to fit to the contours of the pad, so it simply slots into place when lined up correctly.</div>