BOSS® BR-800 DIGITAL RECORDER TurboStart

Welcome

Congratulations on your purchase of the BOSS BR-800. This TurboStart contains step-by-step instructions that will quickly introduce you to the BR-800's major features.

Listening to the Demo Song

Use the following procedure to load and play back the demo song in the BR-800.

Note: *To hear the BR-800, connect headphones to the headphone output or connect the LINE OUT L and R jacks to your mixer.*

1 Press MENU.
2 Turn the dial to select "SONG."
3 Press ENTER.
4 Turn the dial to choose "SELECT."
5 Press ENTER.
6 Turn the dial to select "DemoSong."
7 Press ENTER.
8 Press PLAY.
9 Raise the MASTER fader and the TRACK MIXER faders to adjust the levels of the tracks.
10 Press STOP when you're finished.

Recording a Song

Here's how to record a guitar track while using the built-in effects and playing along with the BR-800's Rhythm Guide.

First, start by creating a new blank song to record into as follows.

1 Press MENU.
2 Turn the dial to select "SONG."
3 Press ENTER.
4 Turn the dial to select "NEW."
5 Press ENTER three times.

Setting Up the Guitar

1 With a standard guitar or instrument cable, connect your guitar to the GUITAR/BASS (Hi-Z) input.
2 Press MENU.
3 Turn the dial to choose "INPUT SELECT."
4 Press ENTER.
5 Turn the dial counterclockwise to select "GUITAR/BASS."
6 Press the ▼ button to choose "MODE."
7 Turn the dial to select "MONO REC."
8 Press EXIT twice to return to the main screen.
9 While playing the guitar, adjust the REC LEVEL knob until the INPUT 1 meter reaches the - 6 mark on the left side of the display.
10 Press the REC button below TRACK MIXER Fader 1 so that REC lights red—this puts the BR-80 in Record Standby mode for Track 1.

Inserting a COSM Guitar Effect on the Guitar Input

1 Press the COSM EFFECTS button so its green indicator is lit.
2 Turn the dial to choose "P40 Blues Ld."
3 Press EXIT to return to the main screen.

Adding the Rhythm Guide

1 Press the RHYTHM button so its green indicator is lit.
2 Press ▲ to choose "TYPE."
3 Turn the dial to select "PATTERN."
4 Press ▼ once to select "PATRN."
5 Turn the dial to select Rhythm Pattern P020 ROCK4-V1.
6 Press ▼ twice to choose "TEMPO."
7 Turn the dial to select the desired tempo.
8 Press EXIT to return to the main screen.
9 Press PLAY to start the drum pattern.
10 Raise the RHYTHM fader to the desired listening volume.
11 Press STOP, and then press ZERO.

Recording a Performance

1 Press the REC button.
2 Raise the TRACK MIXER fader for the track on which you want to record.
3 Press the REC button—it flashes red.
4 Press PLAY to start recording.
5 When you're finished recording, press STOP.
6 Press the ZERO button to instantly rewind back to the beginning of the song.
7 Press PLAY to hear the track.

Adding Reverb to the Recorded Track

1 Press the TRACK button.
2 Turn the dial to select "REVERB."
3 Press ENTER.
4 Use the ◀ , ▶ , ▲ , and ▼ buttons to select the desired track.
5 Turn the dial to adjust the send value for the track—this sets the amount of reverb to be added to the track's audio.

Tip: To add Chorus or Delay, use the same procedure, but select "CHO/DELAY" in Step 2.

About Saving Your Work on the BR-800

There's nothing you need to do to save your work—the BR-800 stores it for you automatically!

Mixing Down Tracks with MASTER FX

You'll need to mix down all of your tracks to a stereo pair of tracks before you can export your song as a .WAV file to your computer. This is something you need to do if you'd like to create an audio CD on your computer using CD-burning software. As you mix down, you can take advantage of the BR-800's MASTER FX to smooth out the differences in volume that occur over the course of the song.

1   Press MENU.
2   Turn the dial to "MASTERING," and then press ENTER.
3   Turn the dial clockwise to turn on MASTERING.
4   Press EXIT twice to return to the main screen. Beneath the word "MASTERING" on the display, you can see the track(s) to which you'll be mastering. By default, "TR78-VMST" is displayed for the stereo virtual mastering track belonging to Tracks 7 and 8.
5   Press the MASTER FX button.
6   Turn the dial to select a desired MASTER FX patch.
7   Press EXIT to return to the main screen.
8   Press the ZERO button to return to the beginning of your song.
9   Press RECORD and then press PLAY.
10 When the song has finished playing, press STOP.

A stereo mix of your song has now been recorded onto TR78-VMST.